**Becoming a Secret Agent of the WEF**

**(Or Experiences in Rapid Delivery of Active Transport Projects)**

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Tasman District Council made a series of terrifying decisions in recent years, involving firstly the adoption of an ambitious Walking & Cycling Strategy; and secondly (and most terrifyingly) actually approving staff to go about delivering many of these projects within an 18 month period.

This is a tale of highs and lows in a provincial Council setting, with observations covering funding, team-building, designs, consultation, shoehorns, shades of gray, politics, petitions, journalism/media, conspiracies, contractors, awkward summer BBQ conversations, and the joys of repeating yourself again, and again, and again.

By the end of the presentation you will have completed the first module in the unofficial World Economic Forum Secret Agent Handbook, so you too can hopefully go forth with grippy shoes, clean pants and a backbone of steel in the face of terrifying decisions made by your organisations.

Always remembering rule number 1: never admit to being a secret agent; and rule number 2: be careful using the term ‘precinct’ at a public meeting with conspiracy theorists. Many more helpful rules and lessons will be shared in the presentation.

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