



Report of the Meeting of the Regional Land Transport Committee held in the Council Chamber, Kapiti Coast District Council, 175 Rimu Road, Paraparaumu on Thursday, 12 December 2006 at 9.32 am

Present

Cr McDavitt (Chairperson)	(Greater Wellington Regional Council)
Mr Anderson	(Access and Mobility)
Mr C Finny	(Wellington Chamber of Commerce – Economic Development)
Mr Mellor	(Environmental Sustainability)
Dr Palmer	(Public Health)
Mayor Brash	(Porirua City Council)
Cr McKenzie (substituting for Mayor Francis)	(Masterton District Council)
Mayor Guppy	(Upper Hutt City Council)
Mayor Milne	(Kapiti Coast District Council)
Mayor Ogden	(Hutt City Council)
Cr Wade-Brown (substituting for Mayor Prendergast)	(Wellington City Council)
Mr Gullery	(Ontrack)
Mr Hunter	(Land Transport New Zealand)
Mr Taylor	(Transit New Zealand)
Cr Buchanan	(Greater Wellington Regional Council)
Cr Shields	
Cr Evans	
Cr Turver	

In Attendance

Councillor Strachan, Kapiti Coast District Council.

Officers Present

Beck, Davis, Hastie, Hewitt, Reay, and Waayer (Greater Wellington Regional Council).
Hart (Hutt City Council)
Pedersen (Upper Hutt City Council)
Campbell (Wellington City Council)
Johnston (Kapiti Coast District Council)

Public Business

Procedural Items

RLT 127 Apologies

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

That the Committee:

Accepts the apologies for absence from Mayor Francis, Mr Paku, Mayor Prendergast, Mr Rikihana, Mayor Staples, and Councillor Wilde.

RLT 128 Public Participation

Tabled

“Towards a sustainable region”? Sustainable environmentally, socially, and economically? No! not a hope with the draft Wellington Regional Land Transport Strategy 2007-2016. JC Horne.

Chris Horne recommended that the Dowse to Petone Grade Separation (Hutt Corridor) and other planned new link roads be abandoned as they ignore the threat of climate change, peak oil, and the Government’s draft energy strategy. Mr Horne also requested that the Committee withdraws the draft Wellington Regional Land Transport Strategy 2007-2016.

Adrian Webster welcomed the draft Wellington Regional Land Transport Strategy 2007-2016, and said he appreciated the opportunity to make submissions on it. Mr Webster suggested that both road and rail should form part of travel demand management to alleviate shortage of trains on the Kapiti coast route at peak times. He feels that Wellington employers should utilise flexi-time to lessen the peak commuter load.

RLT 129 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/ Mayor Milne)

That the Committee:

Confirms the minutes of the meeting held on 31 October 2006, Report 06.714.

Matters for Information

RLT 130 Agency Progress Report on Implementing the Regional Land Transport Strategy

Report 06.683

File: TP/01/04/08

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Shields)

That the Committee:

- (1) Receives the report.*
- (2) Notes the contents of the report.*

Noted

Committee members raised and discussed several questions. Officers were asked to:

- Include progress reports from OnTrack in future quarterly reports
- Arrange a briefing on the rail contract with Toll
- Get more specific information on the progress of Waterloo Quay rail separation

RLT 131 Travel Demand Management Programme Update

Jill Beck gave a *Powerpoint* presentation. Sue Johnston spoke on the KCDC School Travel Programme.

Report 06.707

File: TP/11/01/02

Resolved

(Cr Turver /Cr McKenzie)

That the Committee:

- (1) Receives the report.*
- (2) Notes the contents of the report.*

Noted

Officers were asked to:

- Co-ordinate with Metlink to produce an itinerary for members of the Committee to travel on public transport to the next meeting.
- Invite the Minister of Transport to attend a meeting.

RLT 132 **Fuel Price Change Impacts on Public Transport Patronage**

Report 06.708

File: TP/01/02/

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Dr Palmer)

That the Committee:

- (1) Receives the report.*
- (2) Notes the contents of the report.*

RLT 133 **Transmission Gully Motorway (TGM) & SH58 Strategy Study Update**

Report 06.715

File: TP/01/04/01

Resolved

(Mr Anderson /Cr Buchanan)

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*

RLT 134 **Update on Ngauranga-Airport Study**

Mr Taylor gave an oral report on progress of the Ngauranga-Airport study. He said the study is delayed because of issues with the modelling but is proceeding. The study is complex as it involves multidisciplinary and multimodal decisions, and includes provision for access to the port and the hospital. The study is planned to be completed in July-August 2007.

Resolved

(Mr Finny/Mr Anderson)

That the Committee receives Mr Taylor's oral report.

Noted

Officers were asked to include a workshop on the Ngauranga-Airport study in association with Transit New Zealand in next year's RLTC programme.

Other Matters

RLT 135 **Questions**

Mayor Brash asked if the Committee would be making a submission on the Government's draft energy strategy.

She was advised by the Chairman that because of administrative complications the Committee does not normally make such submissions, and it is left to organisations represented by individual members.

RLT 136 **General**

Inner City Bypass (leaflet). Transit New Zealand

New Northbound Route (card). Transit New Zealand

Regional Land Transport Committee Indicative meeting dates for 2007. GW Officers.

- Mayor Ogden raised the issue of late delivery of Committee papers referred to in the minutes of 31 October 2006. An envelope addressed to Mayor Ogden was accepted as evidence by the Chairman.

Mayor Guppy and Mr Anderson reported that they had not experienced this problem.

Mayor Ogden was advised by the Chairman that the issue had been investigated by himself and Officers, and it appeared that the problem lay with postal and courier delays after the documents left the Regional Council Centre.

- The Committee congratulated Transit New Zealand on the opening of the Inner City Bypass on 28 December 2006.
- Mr Anderson requested that Committee members be provided with media releases on key public transport issues when they are released to the media.
- The Committee acknowledged receipt of the indicative meeting dates for 2007.

The meeting was adjourned between 10.39 am and 10.54 am for morning tea, and closed at 12.47 pm.

Cr TJ McDavitt
Chairperson

Date:

Wellington Regional Council – 14 December 2006

To be moved

That Council

Adopt the report of the meeting of the Regional Land Transport Committee held on 12 December 2006 Items RLT 127 to RLT 136 inclusive.