

Report 99.704
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Report of the Meeting of the Passenger Transport Committee held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Thursday, 25 November 1999 at 9.30am

Matters for Council Decision are shown in bold type and enclosed in a box.
Matters for Information of Council are in italic type.

Present

Councillors McDavitt (Chairperson), Allen, Bonner, Buchanan, Gibson, McQueen, Shields and Turver and Councillor Kedgley

Officers Present

Messrs Cross, Darroch, Davey, Grace, Leonard, Stone and Dr Watson

Public Business

Procedural Items

PT 58 **Apologies**

Resolved (Cr McQueen/Cr Shields)

That the apology from Councillor Macaskill and the apology for lateness from Councillor Bonner be confirmed.

PT 59 **Public Participation**

There were no members of the public who wished to participate in the meeting.

PT 60 Confirmation of Minutes*Resolved**(Cr Allen/Cr Turver)**That the minutes of the meeting held on 2 September 1999 be confirmed.***Matters for Decision****PT 61 Funding Implications and Proposals for Upgrading the Bus-Rail Interchange at Wellington Station****Report 99.683**

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Councillor Bonner arrived at 9.40am.

Partnership - WCC

Both the Wellington Regional Council and the Wellington City Council should be working simultaneously to progress the upgrading of the Interchange and Councillor McDavitt said he would be attending a meeting of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee on 26 November when funding for the project would be discussed.

Moved*(Cr McQueen/Cr Shields)*

- (i) That the report be received.*
- (ii) Reaffirms the Interchange project, with its likely benefits and effects on public transport in the Wellington region, is a high priority for the region (a view shared by Wellington City Council).*
- (iii) That the ATR analysis be undertaken and submitted to Transfund New Zealand.*
- (iv) That the Council recognise the need to proceed with this project with some urgency.*
- (v) That the Wellington City Council be advised that it should continue to progress the bus-rail interchange and pedestrian facilities immediately in front of the station on an urgent basis.*
- (vi) That discussions continue with Wellington City Council on how this project will be funded once the Regional Council is in a position to commit to it.*
- (vii) Note that discussions should continue with Transfund with the aim of their getting a better understanding of the high return from involvement in pedestrian and public transport projects in the region.*

Amendment*(Cr Gibson/Cr Kedgley)*

*That a new (v) should be added to the above motion to read as follows:
“that we note that steps have been taken to begin the process of
upgrading the pedestrian subway”.*

Carried

The motion as amended was then put and carried.

PT 62

Social Public Transport Services**Report 99.694**

File: T/10/4/1

*Resolved**(Cr Gibson/Cr Shields)*

- (1) That the amendments to the Total Mobility Eligibility criteria, as proposed in Report 99.694, be released for consideration by affected parties with a view to implementation from 1 July 2000.*
- (2) That officers report back on their consultations with PTAG (Passenger Transport Advisory Group – Transfund) and other Regional Councils.*

PT 63

New Projects for the Minor Passenger Transport Infrastructure List**Report 99.666**

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Drawings and Dates

Members requested that future priority lists for minor Passenger Transport Projects Infrastructure items include location plan(s) and a date showing when the project first appeared on the list and the date when the project would be committed.

Paekakariki Overbridge Development

Councillor McQueen said Tranz Rail had replaced the above project by a level crossing and the overbridge should be deleted from the list.

*Resolved**(Cr McQueen/Cr Turver)*

*That the bus priority and park and ride schemes discussed in this report be added to the minor projects priority list as shown in **Attachment B**.*

PT 64 **Actions on Matters Referred to the Passenger Transport Committee from the Regional Land Transport Strategy Hearings Subcommittee**

Report 99.627

File: T/4/7/1

Regional Pedestrian Profile

Mr Brennand, Manager Transport Planning and Policy, said a meeting of interested parties would take place on Friday, 17 December 1999 on the 6th Floor Meeting Room at 2.00pm. Members may attend if they so wish. The conclusions will be reported back to the Passenger Transport Committee.

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Allen)

- (1) That the report be received and the information noted.*
- (2) That no change be made to the priority ranking for funding of public transport services.*
- (3) That the annual quantum of funding made available for trial bus services be considered during the annual plan process for 2000/2001.*

Matters for Information

PT 65 **Divisional Report – November 1999**

Report 99.628

File: E/6/8/3

Park and Ride

Councillor Shields said the Regional Council should be aware of the status of land adjacent to Railway Stations, and its availability for park and ride use. Councillor Shields also requested Park and Ride be included as an agenda item for the next meeting with Regional Members of Parliament

Resolved

(Cr Gibson/Cr Shields)

That the report be received and the information noted and particular support be given to number six on the list.

Note: Number six refers to 'Proactive Service Levels'.

PT 66 **Public Transport Update: November 1999**

Report 99.695

File: T/10/1/1

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr McDavitt)

That the report be received and the information noted.

PT 67 **Year 2000 Issues – Transport Division**

Report 99.597

File: T/13/1/3

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Bonner)

That the report be received and the information noted.

PT 68 **Current Status of Passenger Transport Infrastructure Projects**

Report 99.686

File: T/8/1/1

Resolved

(Cr Bonner/Cr Buchanan)

That the report be received and the information noted.

PT 69 **Questions**

There were no questions.

PT 70 **General**

Otaki Railway Station - Heritage

Councillor McQueen said a local community group had recently completed the restoration of the Otaki Railway Station and he had officiated at the re-opening of the Station last Saturday.

PT 71 **Exclusion of the Public**

Report 99.696

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

Wellington Urban Rail Draft Long-Term Contract

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

| <i>General subject of each matter to be considered:</i> | <i>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each</i> | <i>Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution</i> |
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| <i>Wellington Urban Rail Draft Long-Term Contract</i> | <i>Because of the need to carry on negotiations (including commercial)</i> | <i>That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist (ie to carry on negotiations).</i> |
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This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) (a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act, or section 6 or section 7 or section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:

Wellington Regional Council

The open part of the meeting closed at 11.25am

T J McDAVITT
Chairperson

Date

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To be moved:

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| <p>That the report of the meeting of the Passenger Transport Committee held on 25 November 1999, items PT 58 to PT 71 inclusive, be adopted.</p> |
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