



Report 07.610

11 September 2007

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Report of the Meeting of the Passenger Transport Committee held in the Wellington Regional Council Chamber, Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Tuesday, 11 September 2007 at 9.31 am

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 Glensor (Chairperson), Aitken, Buchanan, Evans, Greig, Kirton, McDavitt, and Wilde.

Also Present

Councillor Baber

Officers Present

Baxter, Benham, Davis, R Hewitt, Lawrence, Noakes, Reay, Richardson, and Saywell.

Public Business

Procedural Items

PT 173 **Apologies**

There were no apologies.

PT 174 **Public Participation**

No members of the public wished to participate in the meeting.

PT 175 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved

(Cr Aitken/Cr Greig)

That the Committee confirms the minutes of the meeting of 24 July 2007, Report 07.598.

Councillor Kirton joined the meeting at 9.42 am.

Matters for Information

Karen Richardson - Manager, Metlink - gave a *Powerpoint* presentation.

PT 176 **Sponsorship of the Metlink City Safari**

Report 07.594

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Resolved

(Cr Evans/Cr Aitken)

That the Committee:

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

Noted

The Committee expressed its appreciation to Michael Wood and Orienteering Hutt Valley, and to Greater Wellington officers, for their role in making this event such a success.

PT 177 **Wairarapa Station upgrades**

Richard Noakes, Transport Infrastructure Team Leader, gave a *Powerpoint* presentation.

Report 07.599

File: T/20/10/06

Resolved

(Cr Aitken /Cr Wilde)

That the Committee:

- (1) Receives the report.*
- (2) Notes and highly commends the content of the report.*

PT 178 Divisional Manager's report**Tabled**

Email to Councillor Glensor from Kate Malcolm regarding drainage of the planned park-and-ride carpark at Petone Station.

Report 07.593

File: E/06/19/03

*Resolved**(Cr Aitken./Cr Greig)**That the Committee:*

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

Noted

- Officers were asked to
 - (i) provide feedback on costs of ongoing security at railway stations, and to publicise this.
 - (ii) provide feedback on whether there is a need to change the rules for funding of bus priority measures
- split customer feedback and complaints into bus and rail components, and provide a commentary.
- Officers were congratulated on their achievements during the current triennium.

Other Matters**PT 179 Questions**

There were no questions.

PT 180 General

- Councillor Glensor
 - (i) reported on a complaint made at the Regional Land Transport Committee meeting of 30 August 2007 regarding charging for the carriage of bicycles on Tranz Metro trains. Councillor Glensor has been in contact with the complainant, and will keep both committees informed of developments
 - (ii) reported that he has convened a meeting to investigate bus services involving Wellington Hospital

(iii) thanked Councillor Evans for his dedicated and tenacious chairing of the committee during the triennium.

- Councillor Buchanan acknowledged the work done for the Committee by Councillors McDavitt and Evans.
- Councillor McDavitt acknowledged and responded.
- Councillor Evans recorded his appreciation for the work done for the Committee by Councillors McDavitt and Buchanan, the excellent work done by officers, and the teamwork displayed.

PT 181 **Exclusion of the Public**

Report 07.597

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Resolved

(Cr Wilde./Cr Kirton)

That the Committee

Excludes the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

- (1) *Development of new Johnsonville Bus/Rail interchange*
- (2) *Fare Review*
- (3) *Contracts operated by Community Coach Services*

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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(1) Development of a new Johnsonville Bus/Rail interchange

The information contained in this report relates to options available to Greater Wellington for the development of a new Johnsonville rail/bus interchange. Discussion with the developer and other parties are still to take place. Having this part of the meeting open to the public would disadvantage the Greater Wellington in commercial negotiations.

Certain portions of the information contained in this report are subject to a mutually understood obligation of confidence between Greater

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 under sections 7(2)(c) and 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e. to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence which, if released, would be likely

Wellington and the developer. The information relates to development options which are being explored. Release would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information in the future. It is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied to ensure Greater Wellington is able to be fully informed.

prejudice the supply of similar information and its in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied, and to enable Greater Wellington to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations).

Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override these prejudices.

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| (2) <i>Fare Review</i> | <i>The information contained in this report relates to the annual review of passenger transport fare levels. The report discusses contracts which Greater Wellington holds with transport providers in the region. Having this part of the meeting open to the public would disadvantage Greater Wellington's commercial negotiations. Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override this prejudice.</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 under section 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e to enable Greater Wellington to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations).</i> |
| (3) <i>Contracts operated by Community Coach Services</i> | <i>The information contained in this report relates to the future of services operated by Community Coach Services. Release of the report would disadvantage Greater Wellington as it would reveal information that could harm commercial negotiations. Greater Wellington has not been able to identify a public interest favouring disclosure of this particular information in public proceedings of the meeting that would override this prejudice.</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 under section 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (i.e to enable Greater Wellington to carry on without prejudice or disadvantage negotiations).</i> |

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) 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 which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as specified above.

The public part of the meeting closed at 10.28 am.

Cr PE GLENSOR

Chairman

Date:

Wellington Regional Council – 27 September 2007

To be moved:

That Council

Adopts the report of the meeting of the Passenger Transport Committee held on 11 September 2007, items PT 173 to PT 181 inclusive.