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Minutes of the Meeting of the Regional Land Transport Committee held in the Council Chamber, Regional Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Wednesday, 2 May 2007 at 9.32 am

Present

Crs McDavitt (Chairman), Buchanan, Evans, Shields, and Turver.	(Greater Wellington Regional Council)
Mayor Brash	(Porirua City Council)
Mayor Guppy	(Upper Hutt City Council)
Cr Lowes	(Carterton District Council)
Cr McKenzie (substituting for Mayor Francis)	(Masterton District Council)
Mayor Ogden	(Hutt City Council)
Mayor Staples	(South Wairarapa District Council)
Cr Strachan (substituting for Mayor Milne)	(Kapiti Coast District Council)
Mr Bognuda (substituting for Mr Anderson)	(Access and Mobility)
Mr Finny	(Wellington Chamber of Commerce – Economic Development)
Mr Gullery	(Ontrack)
Mr Hunter	(Land Transport New Zealand)
Mr Mellor	(Environmental Sustainability)
Dr Palmer	(Public Health)
Mr Rikihana (substituting for Mr Paku)	(Cultural Interests)
Mr Royds	(Safety and Personal Security)
Mr Taylor	(Transit New Zealand)

In Attendance

Councillor Glensor

Officers Present

Baxter, Davis, Hastie, Hayes, J. Hewitt, Reay, Saywell, Waayer, Wild, and Woods (Greater Wellington Regional Council).
Halstead (Kapiti Coast District Council).
Campbell (Wellington City Council).
Kelly (Hutt City Council)

Public Business

Procedural Items

RLT 145 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Mr Taylor)

That the Committee:

Accepts the apologies for absence from Mr Anderson, Mayor Francis, Mayor Milne, and Councillor Wilde, and for lateness from Mayor Brash, Mr Rikihana, and Councillor Turver.

RLT 146 **Public Participation**

Tabled

“Towards a sustainable region” — or “business as usual”?. JC Horne.

Chris Horne applauded the listed passenger transport, pedestrian, cycling and safety projects and activities, and Ontrack’s plans. He urged the abandonment of plans for the Dowse to Petone grade separation, Western Link Road, and Transmission Gully motorway. Mr Horne also urged that the region be guided towards becoming carbon-neutral.

Paula Warren recommended that the Regional Land Transport Strategy be changed to favour more sustainable projects. Ms Warren urged a modal shift to make greater use of public transport, and suggested that priority should be reduced for some roading projects.

RLT 147 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Shields)

That the Committee:

Confirms the minutes of the meeting held on 28 February 2007, Report 07.228.

Matters for Information

RLT 148 **Regional Land Transport Strategy Hearing Subcommittee 19, 20, and 22 March 2007**

Report 07.141

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Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Staples)

That the Committee

Adopts the report of the meeting of the Regional Land Transport Strategy Hearing Subcommittee held 19, 20, and 22 March 2007.

RLT 149 **Update on the Wellington Regional Land Transport Strategy Review**

Report 07.195

File: TP/01/04/02

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Mayor Staples)

That the Committee

- (1) Receives the report.*
- (2) Notes the content of the report.*
- (3) Notes the Committee's discussion.*

Matter for Decision

Tabled

Report 07.205: Confirmation of C1 and C2 Funding Priorities. Supplementary Order paper, Wednesday 2 May 2007, Regional Land Transport Committee. Officers of the Greater Wellington Regional Council.

RLT 150 **Confirmation of C1 and C2 Funding Priorities**

Report 07.205

File: TP/01/02/02

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Buchanan)

That the Committee

- (1) Receives the report.*
- (2) Notes the content of the report.*
- (3) Agrees to confirm its support for the use of C1 and C2 funds as set out below:*
 - (a) that the highest priority for assisting local share will be passenger rail improvement projects*
 - (b) to use C1 and C2 funds to achieve an effective FAR of 90% for passenger rail improvement projects*
 - (c) that the effective FAR of 90% for passenger rail improvement projects will apply retrospectively to the purchase of 70 new EMUs approved by the Board in December 2006 and February 2007*
 - (d) that the Kapiti Western Link Road Stage 1 design and construction is the second priority for assistance with the local share*
 - (e) to use C1 funds to achieve an effective FAR of 90% for Stage 1 of the Western Link Road, but declines to assist the local share of Stages 2 and 3 of this project*
 - (f) to reserve up to \$45 million of C1 funds to assist the local share of the Grenada to Gracefield Stage 1 project, (assistance to the level of half the local share)*
- 4. Notes that Land Transport NZ will apply the decisions in (3) to funding applications for the relevant projects*
- 5. Notes that the Grenada to Gracefield Stage 1 link is still subject to further investigations.*

Matters for Information

RLT 151 **Agency Progress Report on Implementing the Regional Land Transport Strategy**

Report 07.172

File: TP/01/04/08

Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr Shields)

That the Committee

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

Noted

- Councillor Evans recorded his pleasure at the good working relationship that Greater Wellington has established with Ontrack.
- In response to a question from Mayor Brash, Mr Taylor reported that erection of the median barrier on the Centennial Highway is due for completion by October this year.
- In response to a question from Councillor Turver on the Regional School Travel Plan, officers reported that the first option will be for children to walk to school instead of being driven, before moves will be made to stagger school hours.

RLT 152 **Transmission Gully Motorway (TGM)**

Report 07.221

File: TP/01/04/01

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

That the Committee

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

Noted

- In response to a question from Councillor Turver, Mr Taylor reported that estimates for revised costings of the Transmission Gully motorway will be provided at the beginning of 2008.
- In response to a question from Mayor Brash, Mr Taylor stated that reports of geotechnical investigations of the planned Transmission Gully motorway route will be completed September 2007, and be publicly *available* at the beginning of 2008.

RLT 153 **Regional Policy Statement Review**

Tami Woods gave a Powerpoint Presentation.

Report 07.233

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Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Evans)

That the Committee

(1) Receives the report.

(2) Notes the content of the report.

Other Matters

RLT 154 **Questions**

There were no questions.

RLT 155 **General**

There were no matters of general business.

The meeting was adjourned between 10.22 am and 10.41 am for morning tea, and closed at 11.56 am.

Cr T.J. McDavitt
Chairman

Date: