Update on the Request for Tender for PTOM Bus Services



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Purpose today

Update Council on the following elements to help understand the upcoming request for approval:

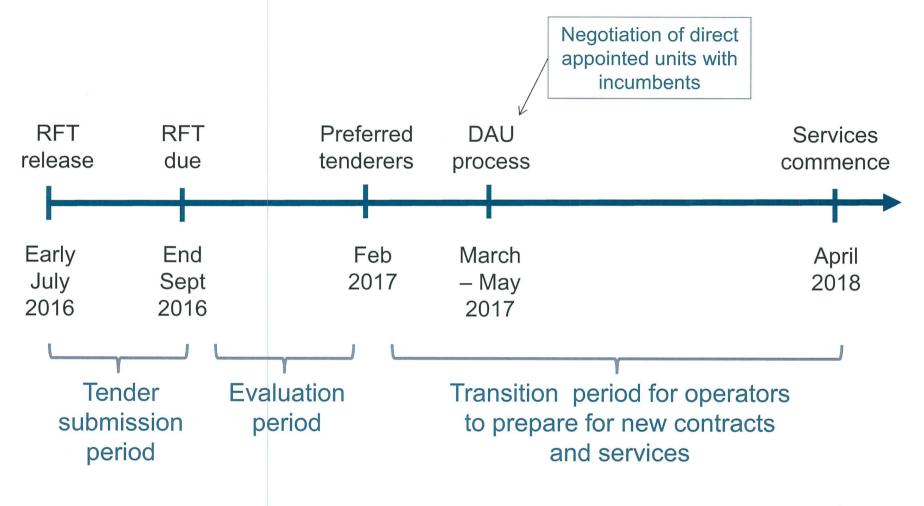
- Timeline
- Recap on objectives
- Report on staff arrangement approach
- Recap on evaluation approach
 - Report on emissions evaluation
- Report of Interim Bus Ticketing Solution
- Next steps







Timeline overview: Big Picture







Timeline to RFT release

Activity	Dates
External assurances and approvals – Legal, Commercial, Probity – NZTA	Mid June End June
Recommendation to STC to endorse release of RFT	22 June
Recommendation to Council to approve release of RFT – by delegation to CE	29 June
CE approval of RFT release	Early July
Release RFT	Early July





Reminder of contracting objectives

Grow:

- Patronage
- Commerciality
- Confidence of efficient and fair pricing
- Confidence of competitive market

Legislative requirements through Local Government Act and NZTA investment requirements (Land Transport Management Act)

Confirmed principles guiding our tender approach:

- Maximise competition short and long term
- "Light touch"
- Value for money short and long term
- Price / quality balance
- Risk / reward balance
- Informed by industry



GWRC's objective is to test VfM, not to drive down cost





STAFF ARRANGEMENTS





Continuum of influence

No intervention

Matters relating to staff not queried nor assessed at tender selection or thereafter

Industry preference

GW approach

Criteria for choosing new operators based on "approach to staff"; including monitoring over contract term

GWRC intention

Tramways' position

Require new operators to take on staff on no less favourable terms and conditions

Tramways' preference





Bus unions in Wellington

Bus company	Tramways Union	Central Amalgamated Workers Union	Hutt Valley Society of Independent Bus Drivers	Manufacturing and Construction Workers Union	RMTU	Omnibus Workers Union	F1RST
Union (national	ER 1890	AWUNZ WORKERS UNION		Led by Graham Clarke	Martine Transcool		F1RST UNION Putting Workers First
membership)	(450)	(3,168)	(40)	(1,503)	(4,673)	(45)	(25,465)
GoWellington (100% CEC)	√			✓			
Valley Flyer (100% CEC)		✓	✓		√		
Runcimans (100% CEC)	✓	√					
Mana (30% IEC)	✓	✓				✓	
Madge (90% IEC)		/					✓
Tranzit (100% IEC)							

Why bus and rail are different

- 1 unit and 1 contract
- 1 union and 1 collective agreement
- Arduous staff recruitment and training for rail:
 - 1 year training to be a train driver; 7 weeks for train manager
 - Driver training specific to particular type of train
 - 6 month contract transition (c.f. 15 month for bus)
 - Presented a significant transition risk
- Bus drivers have broad employment opportunities (e.g. longdistance, charter, school, urban, freight sector)





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External legal advice









Bus network today

56 contracts for bus services (all private operators)

GWRC contracts with:

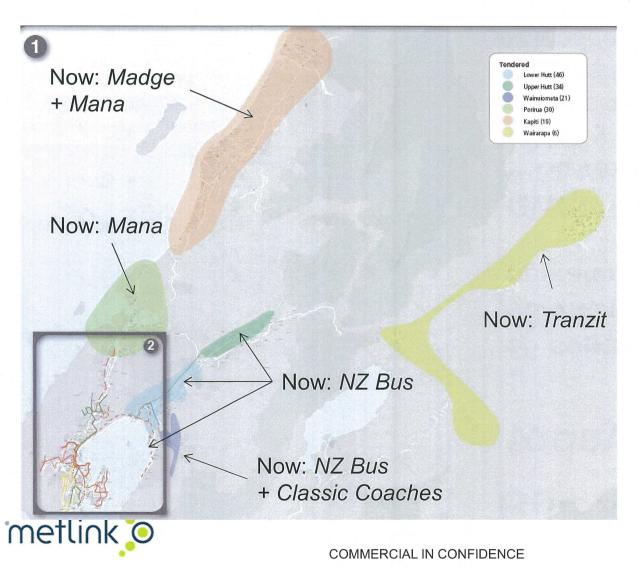
- Go Wellington
- Valley Flyer
- Runciman
- Mana Coach Services
- Madge Coachlines
- Tranzit Coachlines
- Classic Coaches



NZ Bus

greater WELLINGTON
REGIONAL COUNCIL
Te Pane Matua Taiao

Bus network under PTOM

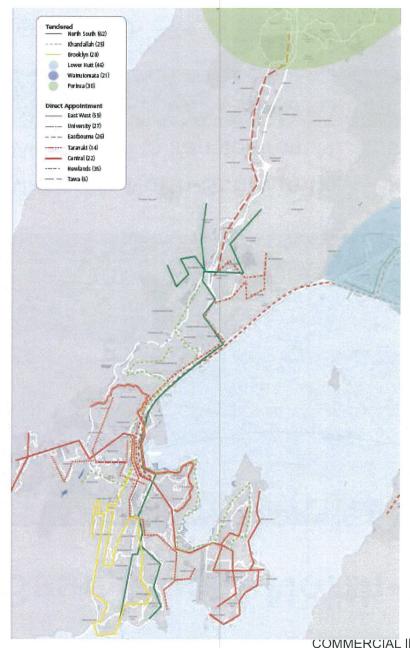


Outside Wellington City:

6 "area" units
currently
covered by 4
bus operators
– all will be
tendered

1 DAU awarded to NZ Bus





Bus network under PTOM

Wellington City:

9 "line units" currently run by:

- NZ Bus
- Mana

6 DAU units:

- 4 x NZ Bus
- 2 x Mana

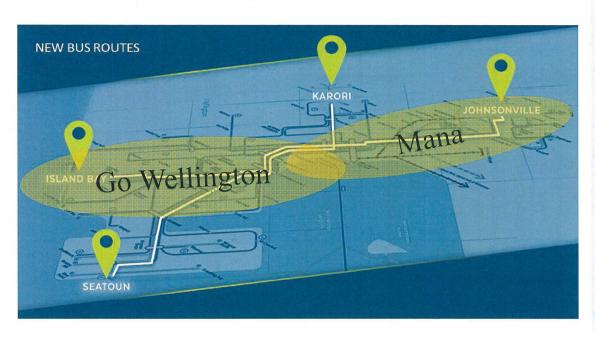
3 tendered units:

- North South
- Khandallah
- Brooklyn



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Case study: North-South unit



Now

- 2 operators
- Many routes + contracts
- Staff not dedicated to specific routes
- Tramways staff in both operators and on different T&Cs
- Coverage overlaps in central city

If Mana win North-South unit:

Which staff to transfer from NZ Bus to Mana?

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What happens elsewhere?

- Auckland + rest of NZ no transfer requirements and less stringent assessment criteria in RFT than proposed by GW
- Most Australian States require staff transfers
 - All occur within large contract areas with clear demarcations of area contracts, i.e. 1:1 changeovers
 - Designed to address redundancy costs and to mitigate against stronger unions
- Consistent message from industry consultation avoid intervention by GW





Existing mitigations for staff

- Outgoing operators will wish to minimise redundancy costs by finding suitable redeployment for their staff
- Outgoing operators will wish to retain staff to continue to deliver their existing obligations until PTOM start and to avoid early defections to new operators
- Incoming operators will wish to attract good, experienced staff and avoid substantial labour costs from early employment prior to contract commencement
- Incoming operators will need to compete with NZ Bus and Mana to recruit and retain staff





PTOM Tender: Current proposal

- Price Quality Method (PQM) and 2 envelope approach to nonfinancial and financial information, mean value rather than least cost is sought
- Tenderers' approach to staff will be assessed through RFT evaluation criteria
- Operator plans relating to staff reviewed by GW and form part of the contract
- No prescription of transfer of staff or minimum rates and conditions
- Rely on commercial incentives for incoming and outgoing operators to cooperate on, and compete for, staff





Quality assessment

Staffing environment assessed

Attribute	Required to demonstrate in tender
Confidence in service delivery	 Relevant experience Prior performance and track record Innovation Transition Approach to service delivery and planning Approach to fleet management (emissions evaluated separately)
Relationships and corporate culture	 Approach to partnering Corporate culture, including staff welfare Metrics including absenteeism, H&S Recruitment and training Health & safety practices
Customer service and patronage growth	 Customer service Patronage growth – approach and experience Managing service disruptions – including communications approach

Practical additions to RFT

Description	Risks	Opportunities	Recommend
No action – same as rest of country	Industrial action likely	Fair to market	*
Add additional hard measures to assessment and contract – balance of price and quality	Industrial action possible	 Demonstrates movement from original stance Fair to market 	✓
Staff transferred (to new entrants only) on existing or minimum prescribed conditions	 Favours incumbents Additional cost May violate VfM requirements Very difficult, if not impossible, to achieve 	Industrial action less likely	*





Moving along the continuum

No intervention **GW** approach Matters relating to Tramways' position staff not queried nor Criteria for choosing assessed at tender new operators selection or Require new based on "approach operators to take on thereafter to staff"; including staff on no less monitoring over favourable terms contract term Stronger criteria and Weightings in RFT and conditions

Legislation requires local government to take a value for money approach. Moving to the right is hard to justify in the bus sector on these grounds, and risks being inconsistent with LG Act and LTMA

EVALUATION



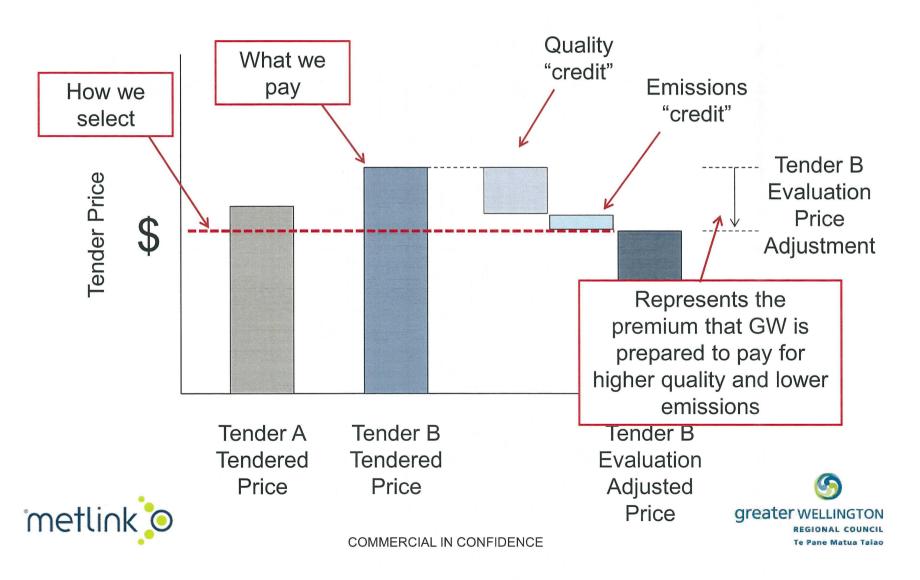






Credit for high quality and low emissions

Price: Quality approach



Reminder of how we assess Quality

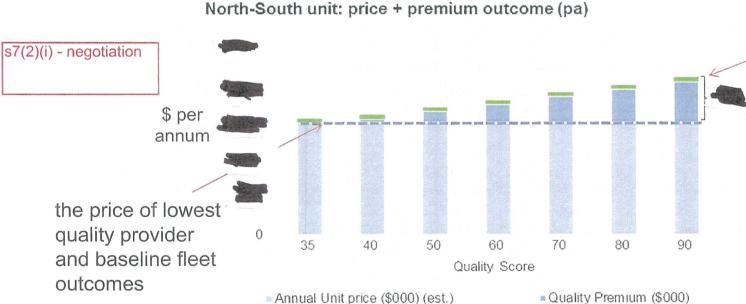
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Price Quality Method + Emissions

- Quality weighting 40%
- Price weighting 60%

Emissions evaluation is in addition to Quality

What does it mean?



■ Emissions Improvement Premium

the extra that GWRC is prepared to pay for higher quality and lower emissions



Quality Premium (\$000)

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To recap: incentivising lower emissions

- Tenderers who offer lower emissions fleets will be "rewarded" in the tender process
- Economic "cost to society" approach
- Pollutants evaluated:
 - Harmful pollutants: PM₁₀, NOx, CO, HCO
 - Greenhouse Gases: CO₂
- External advice provided by air quality specialists
 - Emissions Impossible Ltd Dr Gerda Kuschel
- Endorsed by NZ Transport Agency





Using real world data

- COPERT "COmputer Programme to calculate Emissions from Road Transport"
- Regarded internationally as the 'one source of truth' for real-world emissions data
- Emissions factors are based on the results of empirical tests representing real life driving conditions
- Developed by the European Environment Agency







Example production rates

Bus type	Bus size	Emission Factors in g/km @ 20km/hour				
		СО	HC	NOx	PM ₁₀	CO ₂
Euro III	Large (LB)	3.46	0.70	12.56	0.25	1281
Euro IV	Large (LB)	1.61	0.09	7.58	0.06	1175
Euro V	Large (LB)	2.82	0.07	8.96	0.07	1138
Euro VI	Large (LB)	0.33	0.05	0.62	0.01	1163
Euro V hybrid	Large (LB)	2.82	0.07	7.17	0.07	759
Euro VI hybrid	Large (LB)	0.33	0.05	0.62	0.01	776
Electric	Large (LB)	0	0	0	0	0
Natural gas	Large (LB)	1.12	1.13	4.58	0.01	1392





Applying emission costs

- We are signalling to the market that we are prepared to pay more for low emission outcomes
- Emission costs derived from the social costs of each pollutant
- The emission costs used are:

Pollutant	NZD/tonne (2015\$)	Source
CO2	\$67.34	Austroads
PM10	\$460,370	HAPINZ
NOx	\$16,359	HAPINZ
СО	\$4.24	Austroads
НС	\$1,345	Austroads





Electric buses – Alternative Tenders

- Proposals that include electric buses will be required to be submitted as Alternative Tenders
- This will allow wider aspects, than solely emissions benefits, to be considered, e.g.:
 - Charging infrastructure requirements
 - Any impacts on vehicle size and capacity
 - Any impacts on timetable and scheduling
 - End of term transfer of buses
 - > reduces residual risk = lower price
 - Other benefits beyond emissions, and GWRC's (and NZTA's) willingness to pay for these benefits





MANAGING EMISSIONS





Contractual terms will lock in emission improvements

