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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, 3 June 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 Brennand, Cross, Darroch and Dr Watson

Procedural Items

PT 35 Apologies

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Allen)

That the apology from Councillor Macaskill be confirmed.

PT 36 **Public Participation**

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

PT 37 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

That the minutes of the meeting held on 16 March 1999 be confirmed.

Matters Arising

Accident in the Hutt

Councillor McDavitt said that in noting Councillor Allen's concerns to the Police and the Regional Land Transport Safety Authority officers should also communicate with the Fire Service.

Matters for Decision

PT 38 Submission on the Draft Regional Land Transport Strategy

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Resolved (Cr Allen/Cr Gibson)

That the report be received.

A copy of the final report for the Integrated Ticketing Project: Stage 2 was circulated to members.

Councillor McDavitt noted that the capital and operating costs for contracted services would be circulated to Councillors in due course.

Status of Passenger Transport Committee

A copy of a fax from Councillor Gibson dated 29 April 1999 and a copy of a memorandum dated 2 June 1999 from Mr Maguire, Council Secretary, was tabled and circulated to members.

Councillor Shields was feeling unwell and left the meeting at 11.05am.

Resolved (Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

- (1) That the likely financial implications of the draft Regional Land Transport Strategy for public transport services be noted.
- (2) That the financial implications of the draft Regional Land Transport Strategy for public transport services will be an input into the Regional Council's Long Term Financial Strategy review be noted.
- (3) That the outcome of the Regional Council's review of its Long Term Financial Strategy will determine the implementation timescale for the public transport elements of the Regional Land Transport Strategy be noted.

Morning tea: 10.55am Resumption: 11.05am

Moved

Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

That the Committee make a submission on the draft Regional Land Transport Strategy pointing out:

- (a) the exclusion of the need to revamp those bus services connecting with train services as a result of the proposed changes in train service frequencies on the Paraparaumu and Hutt Valley lines.
- (b) the ability to achieve all of the public transport projects requiring funding from the Regional Council will depend on the outcome of the Regional Council's Long Term Financial Strategy Review which may have significant implications for longer term roading projects identified in the Regional Land Transport Strategy document.
- (c) integrated ticketing should be included among the proposals for 1999/2004.
- (d) the need to be explicit that assumptions made in the strategy about the funding mechanisms for road and rail are potentially inequitable and can cause biases between public and private transport.

Amendment

(Cr Gibson/Cr McQueen)

That the following clause be added to the above motion:

(e) the Passenger Transport Committee agrees that all identified public transport projects in 1999/2004 be in place prior to embarking on major roading projects identified in the Regional Land Transport Strategy beyond 2004.

Carried by 5 votes to 2 on a show of hands

The **motion** as amended was then put and **carried** 5 votes to 2 on a show of hands.

Public Transport Projects from Regional Land Transport Strategy

Members agreed that the possible years of implementation for the Petone Station and the Petone bus lane should be reviewed and if possible brought forward.

Members also agreed the timing for the completion of the Newtown bus priority and the Karori bus priority projects could be reviewed with the Wellington City Council.

PT 39 School Identification Cards

Report 99.253 File: T/10/8/1

Resolved (Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

(1) That extending the expiry date for student photo identification cards has an adverse financial effect on operators be noted.

- (2) That in future no extensions to the validity of student photo identification cards will be approved past 28 February.
- (3) That all secondary schools be advised that concession fares will not be available to students unless a valid photo identification card is produced.

PT 40 **Divisional Report – June 1999**

Report 99.255 File: E/6/8/3

Total Mobility National Sustainable Scheme

Moved Cr McDavitt/Cr Buchanan)

That the Passenger Transport Committee hold a workshop to explore the social role of the Regional Council in the transport area.

Amendment (Cr Gibson/Cr Bonner)

That the public be invited to attend the aforesaid workshop.

Lost by 2 votes to 5 on a show of hands.

The motion was then **carried** by 5 votes to 2 on a show of hands.

Councillor Bonner and Councillor Gibson both dissented.

Kilbirnie Bus Depot

A copy of a letter dated 31 May 1999 from Councillor McDavitt, in his capacity as Wellington Regional Councillor, and Chairperson, Regional Transport Committee to the Mayor, Wellington City Council concerning the Kilbirnie Bus Depot sale, was tabled and circulated.

A copy of a submission to the Passenger Transport Committee from Mr J C Horne, 28 Kaihuia Street, Northland was tabled and circulated.

Resolved

Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver)

That the Committee express its concern to the Wellington City Council over their decision to place the land, currently occupied by Stagecoach (Wgtn) Ltd in Kilbirnie, up for open tender.

Councillor Bonner and Councillor Gibson both dissented.

Councillor Kedgley left at 12.25pm.

At 12.26pm the meeting decided as follows:

Procedural Motion

Moved

Cr Buchanan/Cr McQueen)

That the motion be put.

Carried

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

That Dr Watson's report be received and the contents noted.

PT 41 New Projects to be Added to the Passenger Transport Infrastructure Minor Projects Priority List

Report 99.272 File: T/8/1/2

Resolved (Cr Allen/Cr McDavitt)

- (1) That the revised Priority List for Minor Passenger Transport Projects Infrastructure items be adopted.
- (2) That the Regional Council provide a sum of money to be used every year for the supply and erection of bus shelters as set out in the Guidelines for the Provision and Funding of Passenger Transport Infrastructure. Up to ten new shelters a year could be funded by the provision of \$70,000

Matters for Information

PT 42 **Public Transport Update: June 1999**

Report 99.279 File: T/10/1/1

A copy of the new Stagecoarch Route Map was circulated.

Resolved

(Cr McDavitt/Cr Allen)

That the report be received and the information noted.

PT 43 Questions

There were no questions

PT 44 General

There were no matters of general business.

The meeting closed at 12.30pm.

T J McDAVITT Chairperson Date

Policy and Finance Committee – 29 June 1999

To be moved:

That the report of part of the meeting of the Passenger Transport Committee held 3 June 1999 Item PT 35 to PT 44, be adopted.