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Report to the Regional Land Transport Committee By Dr Dave Watson, Divisional Manager Transport

Land Transport Policy Development - MOT

1. **Purpose**

To provide the Committee with a copy of the Ministry of Transport medium term work programme and discussion papers on Stage one of that work programme which will result in proposed legislative changes early next year.

To show the Committee the initial response made by officers of the four largest urban regions and to establish a sub-group of the Committee to prepare and submit responses to any further Ministry of Transport discussion documents relating to the later stages of their work programme.

2. **Background**

Attached is a copy of the "Medium Term Work Programme" of the Ministry of Transport on land transport issues including a detailed draft consultation plan (**Attachment 1**). Also attached are a series of discussion papers on Stage 1 of that work programme (**Attachment 2**).

All local authorities will have received copies of these documents from Local Government New Zealand.

3. Comment

Regional Councils are being directly consulted at officer level on the stage 1 discussion documents as they relate to the functions of Regional Councils. Two

meetings have been held during August. The issues being focussed on by Regional Councils are "Funding passenger Transport" and "Transport Strategies".

A copy of the initial response made by officers of the four largest urban regions to the discussions documents is also attached (**Attachment 3**).

4. **Recommendation**

- (1) That the report be received.
- (2) That a sub-group of the Committee be formed to prepare and submit responses on behalf of the Committee, to the further Ministry of Transport discussion documents that will come as part of Stages 2 and 3 of the Ministry of Transport work programme.
- (3) That the sub-group consist of:
 - Cr McDavitt
 - Cr Turver
 - Two Committee members representing Territorial Local Authorities
 - One Committee member representing users.

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Attachments: 3