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**Minutes 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 Wednesday, 1 November 2000 at 10.05am**

**Present**

Councillors McDavitt (Chairperson), Allen, Bonner, Buchanan, Macaskill, McQueen,  
and Turver and Councillor Foster (WCC)

**Officers Present**

Messrs Bezett, Brennand, Cross, Davey, Grace, Leonard and Stone and Dr Watson

**Also Present**

Councillors Laidlaw, Shaw and Werry

**Public Business**

**Procedural Items**

PT 127      **Apologies**

*Resolved*

*(Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)*

*That the apologies from Councillors Gibson and Shields be confirmed.*

PT 128      **Public Participation**

**Chris Horne**

Mr Horne tabled a list of questions on the operation of buses. Councillor McDavitt noted some of the questions related to the function of the Land Transport Safety Authority and to territorial authorities. The use of route numbers on the back of buses and real time displays at bus stops were being investigated by officers. He also explained that bus contracts include a fuel inflation clause allowing the contract price to be adjusted. It was agreed that Mr Horne's issues be referred to the next Quality Partnership Agreement meeting.

**PT 129 Confirmation of Minutes**

*Resolved* (Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

*That the minutes of the meeting of 14 September 2000, Report 00.776, be confirmed.*

**Matters for Decision****PT130 Patronage Funding – Proposals for the Remainder of 2000/01 Year**

**Report 00.751** File: T/2/7/8

*Resolved* (Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

- (1) *That the Council elect to join the hybrid form of the Transfund "Patronage Funding" scheme from 1 November 2000.*
- (2) *That the officers implement as many new passenger service improvements as are practical during the remainder of the 2000/01 year as long as they attract Transfund kick start funding.*
- (3) *That officers report back to the Committee, including the negotiation of the baseline arrangements.*

Morning Tea: 11.00am

Resumption: 11.10am

**PT131 Major Commuter Carparks**

**Report 00.761** File: T/8/1/3

*Resolved* (Cr Turver/Cr McQueen)

*That the remaining \$396,500 of the unallocated reserves be allocated to fund major commuter carpark improvements.*

**PT132 Total Mobility – Hospital Transfers – Councillor Shields**

Councillor McDavitt conveyed Councillor Shields' request that officers investigate the possible use of Total Mobility adapted taxis to transfer non-urgent patients to and from hospital. This would release ambulance services.

*Resolved* (Cr Buchanan/Cr Macaskill)

- (1) *That officers discuss with the affected parties the possible arrangements for the use of Total Mobility vehicles for hospital transfers.*
- (2) *That officers report back to a future meeting on the outcome of those discussions.*

## **Matters for Information**

**PT133 Public Transport Update: November 2000**

**Report 00.778** File: T/10/1/1

*Resolved* (Cr McDavitt/Cr Allen)

*That the report be received and the information noted.*

**PT134 Divisional Manager's Report – October 2000**

**Report 00.752** File: E/6/19/3

*Resolved* (Cr McDavitt/Cr Buchanan)

*That the information be noted.*

**PT135 Rail Issues**

**Report 00.760** File: T/11/2/1

*Resolved* (Cr McDavitt/Cr Allen)

*That the report be received.*

## **Other Matters**

**PT136 Questions**

There were no questions.

**PT137 General**

There were no matters of general business.

*Resolved**(Cr McDavitt/Cr Buchanan)*

*That the public be excluded from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:*

*Urban Rail Contract*

*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:*

***General subject of each matter to be considered: Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each Ground under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution***

<i>Urban Rail Contract</i>	<i>Because of the need to carry on negotiations (including commercial)</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 (ie to carry on commercial negotiations).</i>
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*This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1) (a) 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, or section 6 or section 7 or section 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as follows:*

*Wellington Regional Council*

The open part of the meeting closed at 12.05pm.

T J McDAVITT  
Chairperson