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Report to the Regional Land Transport Committee From Tony Brennand, Manager, Transport Policy

Future RLTC Meetings

1. Purpose

To provide the Committee information concerning future meetings in 2002 and to provide them an option of alternative venues.

2. Background

The following meetings of the Committee are scheduled for the remainder of 2002:

22 August 2002 14 November 2002

The meeting schedule identifies 2 October 2002 as a date for a regional land transport forum but this event remains to be confirmed.

3. Comment

Later this year a number of projects will be reaching significant stages. These include:

Hutt corridor study Wellington CBD corridor study Wairarapa corridor study RLTS monitoring report Pedestrian strategy Cycling strategy Regional road safety strategy Wellington transport strategy model upgrade 2001 Census analysis

The Wellington transport strategy model upgrade and the 2001 Census analysis will provide opportunities for the Committee to obtain the latest insights into travel patterns around the region. The model upgrade is based on a series of major data gathering exercises and it, with the 2001 Census information, will be the source of several useful travel information reports.

The transport model and census information investigations are likely to require additional meetings or workshops to be properly considered by the Committee.

The various corridor studies, the pedestrian strategy, cycling strategy and regional road safety strategy will each be significant pieces of work and will require careful consideration by the Committee. Again this suggests two formal meetings of the Committee may be inadequate. The options for the Committee are to:

- i) Stay with two formal meetings and accept that these meetings could be lengthy.
- ii) Stay with two formal meetings to fulfil procedural requirements but add sufficient workshops to consider the respective strategies, plans and information reports.
- iii) Schedule additional formal meetings of the RLTC.

The second option is likely to be most productive.

The various corridor plans focus on particular geographical areas and it may be appropriate to hold the RLTC at a venue that is within the area being considered and provide greater focus on the local issues being considered by the corridor plan. It is therefore recommended that the meeting venue be varied and aligned to the agenda to recognise a key step in the development of a corridor plan. This will also provide an opportunity for the report on the implementation of the Regional Land Transport Strategy to focus on issues in the host district.

As indicated above a land transport forum is currently scheduled for 2 October 2002. With the possible passing of legislative initiatives and the New Zealand Transport Strategy likely to be released in the near future it is appropriate that this forum date still remain.

4. Communications

There are no relevant communication matters.

5. **Recommendations**

That the Committee approve:

- 1. That officers in consultation with the Committee chairman be empowered to schedule workshops in addition to scheduled meetings to deal with strategies, plans and information reports as they become available.
- 2. The 22 August 2002 meeting of the RLTC be held at Hutt City Council and the 14 November 2002 meeting of the RLTC be held in the Wairarapa.

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