



Report 03.739

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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 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Thursday, 20 November 2003 at 9.30am

Present

Councillors Turver (Chairperson), Aitken, Barr, Buchanan, Evans, Kirton, Laidlaw, McDavitt and Thomas and Councillor Foster (WCC)

Officers Present

Messrs Cross, Darroch, Grace, Carolyn Lefebvre and Dr Watson

Public Business

Procedural Items

PT 146 **Apologies**

Resolved

(Cr Buchanan/Cr Aitken)

That the apologies from Councillors Long, Shields and Yardley, and the apology for lateness from Councillor Laidlaw, be confirmed.

PT 147 Public Participation

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

PT 148 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved (Cr Kirton/Cr Thomas)

That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 October 2003, Report 03.656, be confirmed.

Matter for Decision**PT 149 Land Transport Management Act****Report 03.646**

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Councillor Foster arrived at 9.45am.

Councillor Thomas asked whether the ownership of transport infrastructure such as the Waterloo Interchange, under the new legislation, meant the Regional Council could use parts of buildings for commercial purposes. Dr Watson said he will investigate and report back to the Committee.

Resolved (Cr Kirton/Cr Buchanan)

- (1) *That the report be received.*
- (2) *That Council should when funding new passenger transport infrastructure consider:*
 - (a) *The ownership of that infrastructure, with a preference for local council ownership.*
 - (b) *Applying conditions on third party ownership to ensure ongoing use of the infrastructure for the purpose intended at the time of purchase.*

Matters for Information**PT 150 Bus Costs – A Presentation by Kerry Waddell, Mana Coach Services Ltd**

Kerry Waddell, Mana Coach Services Limited, gave a presentation on increasing costs facing the bus passenger transport industry covering 1996 to the present. This included movements in direct industry costs, vehicle purchasing options, the impact of reduced loading capacity on capital expenditure and an overview of compliance costs and future cost implications.

Following questions, Councillor Turver thanked Kerry Waddell for her presentation and noted copies of the overheads will be circulated.

PT 151 **Urban Bus Costs**

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Councillor Laidlaw arrived at 11.00am

Dr Watson said he will advise a workshop process to consider the increasing bus service costs and the impact this may have on 2004/05 and future annual budgets.

Resolved (Cr Kirton/Cr McDavitt)

That the report be received.

PT 152 **Divisional Report**

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New Fares Structure

Mr Cross said 252 additional signatures had been received for the Petition, which had been presented to members at the previous meeting. These and other responses will be considered at the workshop scheduled for 16 December 2003.

Resolved (Cr Kirton/Cr McDavitt)

That the report be received.

Other Matters

PT 153 **Questions**

There were no questions.

PT 154 **General**

There were no matters of general business.

The meeting closed at 11.30am.

Cr C TURVER
Chairperson
Date