



Terms of Reference for the Western Corridor Plan Subcommittee

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1. Membership

The following are the members of the Western Corridor Plan Subcommittee:

- Cr Terry McDavitt
- Mr Charles Finny
- A Transit New Zealand nomination
- Two independent persons

The chairperson of the subcommittee is Cr McDavitt

The quorum is three members.

2. Meeting procedure

All members have equal speaking and voting rights (one per member).

Meetings will be publicly notified and open to the public, except where there are grounds to exclude the public in terms of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

The Wellington Regional Council Standing Orders apply.

Members must be present for the substantial part of the hearings and deliberations in order to participate in the decision-making of the Subcommittee.

3. Powers

The subcommittee has the power to:

- Approve the documentation and communications strategy for public consultation.
- Hear oral submissions on the Western Corridor Plan.
- Consider both the written and oral submissions on the Western Corridor Plan.
- Summarise the outcomes of the consultation process.
- Seek clarification from the Study Team on any technical matters.
- Receive the results of the wider regional community survey.
- Receive the approved consenting strategy.

- Receive the decision of the Transit New Zealand Board in relation to the state highway components of the Corridor Plan.
- Review all cultural, economic, environmental, social, costing and technical information and the results of the consenting strategy for the coastal route.
- Prepare a report to the Regional Land Transport Committee and Transit New Zealand with conclusions regarding a Western Corridor Plan.

4. Responsibilities

The subcommittee shall ensure that:

- The documentation and communications strategy accurately, fairly and impartially reflects the technical information used in the development of the Proposed Western Corridor Plan and the decisions of the Regional Land Transport Committee.
- The hearing and consideration process is carried out in a way that is effective and timely.
- Submitters are provided with the best possible opportunity to be heard in support of their submission.
- The decision-making process is robust and transparent and the summary of the consultation process adequately, fairly and demonstrably reflects the submitters' comments.
- They take into account the requirements of section 175 of the Land Transport Act 1998 and the Land Transport Management Act 2003, all cultural, economic, environmental, social, costing and technical information, a consenting strategy for the coastal route, the results of the wider regional community survey and the outcome of the consultation process.

5. Duration of subcommittee

The subcommittee be dissolved by the Regional Land Transport Committee at the end of the Western Corridor Plan process.