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### **Report 06.495**

## **Passenger Transport Committee**

#### Minute extract from meeting held on 5 October 2006

# Solutions for increasing peak rail capacity prior to the delivery of new trains

Resolved (Cr Kirton/Cr Evans.)

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. *Notes the content of the report.*
- 3. Authorises the commissioning of Tranz Metro Wellington or a suitable independent rail operations professional to undertake an audit of passenger counts and carriage capacity.
- 4. Authorises the commissioning of Toll PSG to undertake a detailed feasibility study of:
  - (a) Ganz Mavag Standing Capacity Modification;
  - (b EO Locomotive Refurbishment; and,
  - (c) BR MKII Minimal Modification for Express services, and
  - (d) Out of service English Electric EMUs.
- 5. Asks Officers to report back on funding options, including for Capex 3.
- 6. Asks Officers to design and implement a communications programme to keep rail commuters informed of changes, reasons, and progress in the short and longer term upgrade of commuter rail services.

#### **Noted**

The Committee congratulated Officers on the quality of the report.