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Transmission Gully Motorway Update

1. Purpose

To update the Committee on progress with the Transmission Gully Motorway (TGM) project.

2. Significance of the decision

The matters for decision in this report **do not** trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3) (b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. Background

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4. Project Update

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The planting of indigenous trees along the route is progressing as planned and this work will continue over the next three years.

5. Communication

Transit New Zealand will continue to manage communications associated with this project.

6. Recommendations

That the Committee:

- 1. **Receives** the report.
- 2. *Notes* the content of the report.

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