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Development

Ngauranga to Wellington Airport Corridor Consultation Plan

1. Purpose

To seek the Committee's approval of a consultation plan for the final draft Ngauranga to Wellington Airport Corridor Plan.

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

The RLTC has a broad discretion as to the appropriate manner in which to meet the obligation to consult. The consultation plan (**Attachment 1**) has been developed to reflect best practice for this type of process.

4. Comment

4.1 Consultation plan objectives

The draft plan potentially affects many people from throughout the region. This means we need to give people from throughout the region the opportunity to participate in the consultation process.

The consultation plan has the following objectives:

- To engage stakeholders and the community in the draft Plan; and
- To facilitate awareness and understanding of the draft Plan so interested parties have the opportunity to make submissions.

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The consultation plan has been developed to meet these objectives and to ensure the most efficient and cost effective consultation programme appropriate for this type of document.

4.2 Key elements of the consultation plan

The key elements of the consultation plan are summarised below and elaborated on in **Attachment 1**:

- Mail out of the draft plan to a list of identified key stakeholders (approximately 180) and submitters from the stage two consultation who requested to be further involved with the project (approximately 1000).
- Copies of the draft plan sent to all territorial authorities, Transit NZ, selected public libraries and other relevant locations
- Media releases
- Public notices in the Dominion Post, Wairarapa Times Age and local Wellington City community newspapers
- Article in Greater Wellington's publication *Our Region* that is delivered to every household in the region and in Wellington City Council's "Our Wellington" page of The Dominion Post.
- Market research survey
- A dedicated webpage
- Posters on trains and Wellington City buses
- A series of public open days at various locations around the region
- The offer for senior members of the Technical Working Group to make themselves available to talk to any interested parties or Councils.

4.3 Consultation period

Best practice suggests a six week period for submissions from the first public notice being printed. Therefore consultation on the Draft Corridor Plan will run for six weeks from 11 June 2008 to 23 July 2008.

5. Communication

Communications described in the attached consultation plan will commence following release of the draft plan for consultation.

6. Recommendations

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. **Notes** the content of the report.
- 3. Adopts the consultation plan for the draft Ngauranga to Wellington Airport Corridor Plan, as set out in Attachment 1 to this report.

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Attachment 1: Ngauranga to Wellington Airport Corridor Consultation Plan

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