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## Report on Economic Wellbeing Committee meeting 9 August 2012

### 1. Purpose

To inform the Council about the meeting of the Economic Wellbeing Committee that took place on 9 August 2012.

### 2. The decision-making process and significance

No decision is being sought in this report.

### 3. Report

#### 3.1 Update on Real Time Information project

The Committee discussed the performance of the new Real Time Information system (RTI) and noted that overall the system performs to the standard expected and the remaining issues with the system are third party issues that are being captured in procedures and protocols to ensure delivery of quality services.

Progress with the RTI displays for the CBD has been delayed as Wellington City Council has yet to finalise its Pedestrian Safety Review which will help to guide the location of the displays. A revised design of the displays will address the problems experienced with the prototypes and it is likely that the new displays will be pole mounted.

It is expected that RTI will be fully implemented for rail by the end of 2012.

#### 3.2 Rail assets prioritisation framework

The Committee discussed and endorsed the proposed methodology for the allocation of the like for like replacement and minor improvement budget within the rail assets prioritisation framework. The methodology reflects the condition of the assets as well how critical they are in delivering rail services.

The focus of the allocation of budget is on assets that Greater Wellington already owns. While there is some provision in the budget for non-station work, it is primarily the responsibility of the Territorial Authority to address any accessibility issues such as road crossings.

### **3.3 Wairarapa public transport review – update**

The review of transport services in the Wairarapa is part of a series of regional reviews. At a previous meeting of the Committee it was decided that bus and rail be split into separate components. Bus service changes will be implemented on 30 September 2012 as part of the Wairarapa transport review. The new services will be subject to performance criteria to establish their on going viability.

As part of the rail component of the review, there is to be reconfiguration of carriages to reflect demand as well as the production of a simplified timetable.

### **3.4 General Managers' report**

The Committee noted that Councillors Donaldson, Glensor and McPhee attended the meeting of Chairs of river schemes and they reported that the meeting was a positive step forwards in realising that there is a lot of common ground for the groups to work together.

The Flood Protection department is continuing its work in Wainuiomata and is also about to start engaging with residents regarding the City Centre Stopbank project in Lower Hutt City.

Public Transport is currently engaging with Otaki bus users to encourage the use of the trial Sunday services implemented in June 2012 as part of the transport review. A wider marketing campaign of the Otaki bus services will begin in November 2012.

## **4. Recommendations**

*That the Committee:*

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

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