

Report 19.403

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Confirmed Public minutes of the Regional Transport Committee meeting held in the Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council, Level 2, 15 Walter Street, Te Aro, Wellington on Tuesday, 10 September 2019 at 10:04am.

Present

Cr Barbara Donaldson (Chair) Greater Wellington Regional Council

Deputy Mayor Bassett Hutt City Council

Mayor Booth Carterton District Coincil
Cr Calvi-Freeman Wellington City Council
Mayor Gurunathan Kapiti Coast District Council

Cr Laidlaw Greater Wellington Regional Council

Cr Leggett Porirua City Council

Mayor Napier South Wairarapa District Council
Mayor Patterson Masterton District Council
Emma Speight NZ Transport Agency

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved

(Cr Donaldson/ Mayor Napier)

The Committee accepts the apologies for absence from Mayors Guppy, Tana and Wallace.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

2 Conflict of Interest declarations

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3 **Public Participation**

There was no public participation.

4 Confirmation of the minutes of 10 June 2019

Moved

(Mayor Patterson/ Emma Speight)

That the Committee confirms the minutes of 18 June 2019, Report 19.271.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

5 Let's Get Wellington Moving programme update (oral item)

Willy Trolove, Engagement Lead, Let's Get Wellington Moving (LGWM), updated the Committee on the LGWM project and explained the vision that the partners want for Wellington (liveability, access, reduced car reliance, safety and resilience).

On 19 May 2019 the Government announced a 20 year indicative package of transport investment in LGWM, which will be funded by the three partners NZTA, Wellington City Council and Greater Wellington Regional Council. This will be aligned with urban development plans being developed by Wellington City Council.

The next steps are to prepare detailed business cases on the larger elements of the LGWM plan, such as mass transit, Basin Reserve, Mt Victora tunnel. This will require a strengthening of the partnership agreement and development of a programme delivery model. There will also be a focus on early delivery – improving bus reliability and supporting walking and cycling.

6 New Zealand Transport Agency update (oral item)

Emma Speight, Director Regional Relationships, New Zealand Transport Agency, spoke about NZTA's organisational changes, and the increased focus on regional teams. There will be an Executive Leadership Team member who will be a sponsor for relationships in the Wellington Region. The regional team for Wellington will be formed and the Committee will be advised of the key people who will assist the Committee to develop regional transport system priorities.

There are two years' left of the current National Land Transport Plan (NLTP), with available funding remaining limited, that the same constraints remain for the 2021-24 NLTP unless additional funding is provided.

Safety improvements remain a top priority, with a focus on driver behaviour, road conditions, speed and cars. Speed management is a priority as even a small reduction in speed can make a big difference and is a determining factor in crashes, injury and death.

NZTA's focus is on treating the top ten percent of the network where speed management can have the biggest impact and greatest reduction in death and serious injury. There are currently no roads in the Wellington Region identified, but NZTA is constantly reviewing funding to bring forward other corridors with concerns.

Funding has been approved for the construction of the Petone to Melling section of the Wellington to Hutt Valley (W2HV) Walking and Cycling Link. Work is expected to begin later in the year on the route which is predominately a dedicated cycleway within the rail corridor. The section includes two new rail underpasses. The Ngauranga to Petone (N2P) section is expected to apply for consent in early 2020. The design is currently being refined and an assessment of effects on the environment is being drafted. Engagement with project partners continues and a Mana Whenua Steering Group has been established for the project. The Group has endorsed a new name for the route in Te Reo Māori, and they will guide and advise on a range of areas of the project.

The Minister of Transport asked NZTA to develop a Mode Shift Plan, with attention on getting more people in urban areas out of private vehicles and onto public transport or into active modes like walking and cycling. NZTA is developing a national action plan and also partnering with six metro and high growth regions to deliver action plans appropriate for each region's different situation (including Wellington).

The metered signal at Paremata Roundabout has resulted in significant improvements to safety for all traffic and reduced travel times for southbound traffic with traffic from other directions not significantly affected. The operating period has been extended to cover the 6.15pm train arrival due to high demand on exiting the carpark into the roundabout.

7 Progress report on the Regional Land Transport Plan Programe 2018-21 Q3 and 4 2018/19

Helen Chapman, Senior Strategic Advisor, spoke to the report.

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Moved (Cr Leggett/ Cr Calvi-Freeman)

That the Committee:

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

8 Proposed variation to the Wellington Regional Land Transport Plan 2018-21 programme

Helen Chapman, Senior Strategic Advisor, spoke to the report.

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Moved

(Deputy Mayor Bassett/ Emma Speight)

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. Notes the content of the report.
- 3. Agrees to recommend to Greater Wellington Regional Council that the Regional Land Transport Plan 2018-21 programme be varied to include the proposed LGWM activities in Attachment 1 of this report.
- 4. Agrees to recommend to Greater Wellington Regional Council that the Regional Land Transport Plan 2018-21 programme be varied to include the proposed Speed management guide activities in Attachment 1 of this report.

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The meeting closed at 11.26am.

C Laidlaw Council Chair

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