

Please note these minutes remain unconfirmed until the Committee meeting on 13 August 2020.

Report 20.218

Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on Thursday 18 June 2020

All members participating by Zoom at 9.30am.

Members Present

Councillor Blakeley (Chair)
Councillor Lee (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Brash
Councillor Connelly
Councillor Gaylor
Councillor Hughes (from 9.35am)
Councillor Kirk-Burnnand
Councillor Laban (from 10.05am)
Councillor Lamason
Councillor Nash
Councillor Ponter
Councillor Staples
Councillor van Lier

All members participated at this meeting via Zoom, and counted for the purpose of quorum, in accordance with clause 25B of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Public Business

1 Karakia timatanga

The Committee Chair invited Councillor Lee to open the meeting at 9.30am with a karakia timatanga.

2 Apologies

Moved: Cr Ponter / Cr Connelly

That the Committee accepts the apology for lateness from Councillor Laban.

The motion was **carried**.

3 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

4 Public participation

There was no public participation.

5 Confirmation of the Public minutes of 20 February 2020 – Report 20.71

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Lee

That the Committee confirms the Public minutes of 20 February 2020 – Report 20.71.

The motion was **carried**.

6 Public Transport performance – Report 20.196 [for information]

Scott Gallacher, General Manager Metlink, and Andrew Myers, Technology and Data Lead, spoke to the report.

Noted: Councillor Hughes joined the meeting at 9.35am, during the above item.

7 COVID-19: Resumption of collection of fares – Report 20.193 [for information]

Scott Gallacher, General Manager Metlink, spoke to the report.

Noted: Councillor Laban joined the meeting at 10.05am, during the above item.

8 Lower North Island regional rail – oral update

Scott Gallacher, General Manager Metlink, and Barry Fryer, Rail Assets Lead, spoke to the report.

Mr Fryer advised the Committee that an indicative business case has been completed and proposes a version of electric multiple unit trains. Greater Wellington has received \$5 million in funding to undertake more detailed investigations, a detailed business case and undertake the procurement processes. The \$5 million in funding includes an approach to the market to better understand the options, associated risks and costs, and will also be used to complete a detailed business case to obtain funding certainty. The majority of the funding will be spent on undertaking the procurement, when the contract and specification also needs to be prepared. The first trains are expected to be in service from early 2025.

Noted: The Committee requested that a high level, simple budget of the \$5 million funding be circulated to Councillors.

Noted: The Committee requested that information on the projects included in the Wellington Metro Upgrade Programme be provided to Councillors and published on the Greater Wellington website.

Noted: The Committee requested that the General Manager Metlink provide an update on the regional rail procurement to the next Committee meeting.

The meeting closed at 10.24am.

Councillor R Blakeley

Chair

Date: