

Report 21.549

Confirmed Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on Thursday 25 November 2021

All members participating remotely at 9.30am.

Members Present

Councillor Blakeley (Chair)

Councillor Lee (Deputy Chair)

Councillor Brash

Councillor Connelly

Councillor Hughes

Councillor Kirk-Burnnand

Councillor Laban

Councillor Lamason

Councillor Nash

Councillor Ponter

Councillor Staples

Councillor van Lier

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

Karakia timatanga

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

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved: Cr Lamason / Cr Nash

That the Committee accepts the apology for absence from Councillor Gaylor.

The motion was carried.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3 Public participation

There was no public participation.

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on 14 October 2021 - Report 21.481

Moved: Cr Kirk-Burnnand / Cr van Lier

That the Committee confirms the Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on 14 October 2021 - Report 21.481.

The motion was carried.

5 Update on Progress of Action Items from Previous Transport Committee Meetings – November 2021 – Report 21.517 [For information]

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

6 Snapper on Rail Pilot update – Oral Report

Scott Gallacher, General Manager, Metlink, provided an update on Metlink's Snapper on Rail pilot.

Mr Gallacher advised that Metlink has launched its first electronic ticketing trial on the Johnsonville line. There has been increasing uptake of electronic ticketing (through the use of a Snapper card) on the Johnsonville line since the pilot was launched, with 20 percent usage of Snapper during the first week of the trial and 30 percent usage during the second week of the trial. It is anticipated that uptake of electronic ticketing will increase as customers finish using currently valid 10 trip tickets purchased before the start of the trial. The trial is supported by an awareness campaign including the placement of Metlink ambassadors on platforms and stations, supported by Transdev staff.

Mr Gallacher noted that the trial marks a significant milestone for Metlink and will provide rich data which will be reported back to the Committee when available. Mr Gallacher acknowledged the effort of officers, Snapper, Transdev, and other partners for their work in launching and supporting the trial.

7 Shaping Metlink Future Fares: Principles and Products – Report 21.403

Nicki Lau Young, Project Director, National Ticketing Solution, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Nash / Cr van Lier

That the Committee:

- Notes that the fares policies in Te Mahere Waka Whenua Tūmatanui o te Rohe o Poneke Wellington Regional Public Transport Plan 2021-2031 sets the strategic direction on the future fares.
- Notes that the future fares will be developed to meet the strategic priorities set out in the Te Mahere Waka Whenua Tūmatanui o te Rohe o Poneke Wellington Regional Public Transport Plan 2021-2031

- 3 Notes that a comprehensive fare strategy review has been initiated and is currently underway as a next step in preparing for the National Ticketing Solution.
- 4 Adopts the following principles to guide the design of the future fares and assist with the choice of options through the fares strategy review.

The future fare system should:

- a Contribute to the Region's mode-shift and decarbonisation targets
- b Provide for social good
- c Promote consistency and fairness
- d Improve network efficiency
- e Be simple and easy to understand and use.
- Agrees to move to a more targeted customer segment approach in relation to fare products to help achieve the policy outcomes and benefits expected from the desired fare system as defined in the Te Mahere Waka Whenua Tūmatanui o te Rohe o Pōneke Wellington Regional Public Transport Plan 2021-2031.
- Notes that as part of preparing for the transition to the National Ticketing Solution, a free or heavily discounted fares trial on Metlink buses and trains is scheduled to be undertaken during weekends in March 2022.

The motion was carried.

8 Initiating Transit Oriented Development in the Wellington Region – Report 21.501

Emmet, McElhatton, Manager, Policy, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Nash / Cr Ponter

That the Committee:

- 1 Agrees to the following principles:
 - a That Greater Wellington Transit Oriented Developments focus on creating liveable, thriving and sustainable urban communities by directly linking housing, transport and social services (health, childcare/education, public services, retail etc.)
 - b That Transit Oriented Developments be undertaken through formal partnerships with individual territorial authorities, specific government agencies, and with private sector developers and investors as appropriate to each development
 - c That the funding and investment approach is one focused on forging quality, long-term development partnerships with fair and sustainable 'outcomes for all' as the partnership principle
 - d That public transport movements, flow and connectivity are at the heart of each Transit Oriented Development

- e That sustainable, human-centred, and accessible design underpins the approach to each development
- f That, when selecting potential locations for Transit Oriented Development, Greater Wellington considers both 'brown field' sites i.e. existing stations with development potential and 'green field' sites i.e. locations on the network where new stations could be built to give effect to Regional Growth Framework goals and priorities.
- g That Greater Wellington will prioritise public benefit, including but not limited to public housing and public amenity in Transit Oriented Developments on public land.
- Agrees that progressing the Transit Oriented Development programme at Waterloo and Porirua Stations, and in the Kāpiti Coast are priority focus locations for the initial stages of the project.
- Agrees that the other locations in the Region identified in this report be progressed over the coming two financial years and are considered for inclusion in the 2024-34 Long Term Plan and Regional Land Transport Plan 2021 mid-term review.
- 4 Notes the criteria used to evaluate locations of high potential for Transit Oriented Development Programme (paragraph 19).
- Agrees that the Council Chair approaches the Chair of the Wellington Regional Leadership Committee to invite the Chairs of Eke-Panuku Development Auckland and Auckland Transport to present to a joint Council workshop on Transit Oriented development in Auckland and the role of Eke-Panuku Development Auckland and Auckland Transport in preparing for Transit Oriented Development.

The motion was carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10.47am and resumed at 11.02am.

9 Mode-shift Targets: Metlink Project Contributions – Report 21.503 [For Information]

Tim Shackleton, Manager, Strategy and Investments and Craig Fairhall, Principal Advisor, Strategy, spoke to the report.

10 Customer Satisfaction Survey – Report 21.502 [For Information]

David Boyd, Manager, Customer Experience, spoke to the report.

11 Public Transport Performance – September 2021 – Report 21.505 [For Information]

Scott Gallacher, General Manager, Metlink, spoke to the report, and tabled an attachment – Metlink monthly performance report October 2021.

Noted: The Committee requested that future performance reports include information on farebox revenue shortfalls on a monthly and year to date basis.

12 Public Transport Advisory Group Meeting – 23 September 2021 – Report 21.504 [For Information]

Bonnie Parfitt, Manager, Network and Customer and Councillor Lee, spoke to the report.

Karakia whakamutunga

The Committee Chair invited Cr Lee to close the meeting with a karakia whakamutunga.

The public meeting closed at 11.41am.

Councillo R Blakeley

Chair

Date:

10/2/22

