

Confirmed Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on Tuesday 10 June 2025

Taumata Kōrero – Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council
100 Cuba Street, Te Aro, Wellington, at 9.32am

Members Present

Councillor Nash (Chair)
Councillor Woolf (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Bassett
Councillor Connelly
Councillor Duthie
Councillor Gaylor
Councillor Kirk-Burnnand
Councillor Laban
Councillor Lee (until 10am, from 11.08am)
Councillor Ponter (from 9.33am)
Councillor Ropata (until 9.38am, from 9.45am)
Councillor Saw
Councillor Staples
Andrew Lensen (until 10.55am, from 11.11am)

Councillors Duthie and Ropata and Andrew Lensen participated at this meeting remotely via Microsoft Teams and counted for the purpose of quorum in accordance with clause 25A of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Karakia timatanga

The Committee Chair opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

Public Business

1 Apologies

There were no apologies.

Councillor Ponter arrived at the meeting during the above item.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3 Public participation

Wesley Gyles-Bedford, spoke on the delay of Motu Move.

Councillor Ropata left the meeting at 9.38am during the above speaker.

Andy Fraser, Principal, Otaki College, spoke on the school bus service to/from Ōtaki to/from Paraparaumu schools.

Noted: The Committee Chair requested officers to organise a meeting with the Committee Chair, the Councillor representing the Kāpiti Coast Constituency, representatives of the local schools and relevant officers.

Councillor Ropata returned to the meeting at 9.45am during the above speaker.

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Transport Committee – Wellington Regional Public Transport Plan 2025-35 Hearing on 6 and 7 May 2025 – Report 25.181

Moved: Cr Bassett / Cr Connelly

That the Committee confirms the Public minutes of the Transport Committee – Regional Public Transport Plan 2025-35 Hearing on 6 and 7 May 2025 – Report 25.181.

The motion was **carried**.

5 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on Thursday 8 May 2025 – Report 25.182

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Laban

That the Committee confirms the Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on 8 May 2025 – Report 25.182.

The motion was **carried**.

6 Update on the Progress of Action Items from Previous Transport Committee Meetings – June 2025 – Report 25.225 [For Information]

Samantha Gain, Group Manager Metlink, spoke to the report.

Councillor Lee left the meeting at 10am during the introduction of the above item.

Noted: The Committee requested further information on service design optimisation, including the link with New Zealand Transport Agency funding in relation to the RiverLink action item.

7 Emerging Trends in Transport – Report 25.224 [For Information]

Tim Shackleton, Senior Manager Strategy and Investments, and Andrew Ford, Manager Wellington Transport Analytics Unit, spoke to the report.

Noted: The Committee requested carbon emission differentials and costs be included in the cost of private vehicle versus public transport.

Noted: The Committee requested comment on social costs and dynamics for catching public transport.

Noted: The Committee requested the alternative route information for network disruption on SH2.

Noted: The Committee requested a workshop on how to raise public understanding of the cost of public transport and the true cost of private travel.

The meeting adjourned at 10.55am and resumed at 11.08am. Andrew Lensen was not present when the meeting resumed. Councillor Lee was present when the meeting resumed.

The Chair accorded priority to agenda item 9 – Performance of Easter/ANZAC Rail Replacement Services – Report 25.257 in accordance with Standing Order 3.5.2.

8 Performance of Easter/ANZAC Rail Replacement Services – Report 25.257 [For Information]

Paul Tawharu, Senior Manager Operations, David Boyd, Manager Customer Experience, and Andrew Tobin, Senior Customer Experience Advisor, spoke to the report.

Andrew Lensen returned to the meeting at 11.11am during the introduction of the above item.

9 Public Transport Advisory Group Meeting – 22 May 2025 – Report 25.241 [For Information]

Andrew Lensen, Public Transport Advisory Group Chair, David Boyd, Manager Customer Experience, and Leigh-Ann Harris, Community Engagement Advisor, spoke to the report.

10 Wellington Metropolitan Rail Network Performance and Funding Challenges – Update – Report 25.158 [For Information]

David Mawson, Manager Rail Network Delivery, spoke to the report.

Noted: The Committee requested the performance data in relation to KiwiRail key performance indicators in relation to network performance.

11 Public Transport Performance – April 2025 – Report 25.223 [For Information]

Paul Tawharu, Senior Manager Operations, and David Mawson, Manager Rail Network Delivery, spoke to the report.

Karakia whakamutunga

The Committee Chair closed the meeting with a karakia whakamutunga.

The public meeting closed at 11.42am.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'T' followed by a horizontal line and a small flourish.

Councillor T Nash

Chair

Date: 14 August 2025