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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Regional Land Transport
Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional
Council Centre, 142 Wakefield Street, Wellington on
Monday 13 March 2006 at 9.30am**

Present

Membership of Committee

Cr McDavitt (Chairperson)	(Greater Wellington Regional Council)
Mr Anderson	(Access and Mobility)
Mr Efford	(Environmental Sustainability)
Dr Palmer	(Public Health)
Mr Rikihana (substituting for Mr Paku)	(Cultural Interests)
Mr Royds	(Safety and Personal Security)
Mayor Brash	(Porirua City Council)
Mayor Francis	(Masterton District Council)
Mayor Guppy	(Upper Hutt City Council)
Cr Lowes	(Carterton District Council)
Mayor Milne	(Kapiti Coast District Council)
Mayor Ogden	(Hutt City Council)
Mayor Prendergast	(Wellington City Council)
Mayor Staples	(South Wairarapa District Council)
Mr M Curran (substituting for Mr Buchanan)	(New Zealand Railways)
Mr Hunter	(Land Transport New Zealand)
Mr Taylor	(Transit New Zealand)
Cr Buchanan	(Greater Wellington Regional Council)
Cr Shields	
Cr Wilde (Acting Chairperson)	

Officers Present (Greater Wellington Regional Council representatives only recorded)

Ms Beck, Dr Hastie, Mr Hewitt, and Mr Reay

In Attendance

Councillor Baber

Public Business

Procedural Items

RLT 73 **Apologies**

There were no apologies

RLT 74 **Public Participation**

Papers Tabled

- *Towards a Sustainable Region, or Business-as-Usual, 20th Century-Style?*
Chris Horne
- *Transmission Gully Action Group Incorporated*
Adrian Webster, Chairman Paekakariki Community Board

Noted

- Chris Horne told the Committee that he feels that the building of a new road is not the solution to Western Corridor road traffic congestion. He maintains that a better solution is to upgrade the railway line and services.
- Adrian Webster spoke on behalf of the Transmission Gully Action Group which favours the Transmission Gully Motorway option. The group considers that the Subcommittee's report contains all the information the Committee needs to make a robust decision. The group urges the Committee to move forward as quickly as possible
- Barry Cook supported and applauded the Subcommittee's report. He asks the Wellington region to back the proposal to proceed with the Transmission Gully Motorway option

- Paula Warren favours the rail option over road for the solution to Western Corridor road traffic congestion. She rejects part of the report, and feels that it defers the Waikanae problem. Ms Warren asked for a more balanced package for Western Corridor passenger transport.

RLT 75 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved

(Cr Shields/Cr Royds)

That the Committee:

Confirms the Minutes of the meetings held on 8 December 2005, Report 05.706.

Matters arising

It was requested that RLT 70 (3) — clarification of the timetable for the process of adopting the draft Regional Land Transport Strategy — be actioned by Officers.

Matter for Decision

RLT 76 Western Corridor Hearings Subcommittee Report

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Papers tabled

- *Proposed Western Corridor Plan — Hearing Subcommittees' report.*
Greater Wellington Regional Council/Transit New Zealand
- *Western Corridor Review — Submission report*
Greater Wellington Regional Council/Transit New Zealand

Resolved

(Cr Turver/Cr Shields)

That the Committee:

- (1) *Receives the Western Corridor Hearing Subcommittee's report.*
- (2) *Endorses in principle the proposed amendments to the Western Corridor plan as outlined in 1.6 and Figure 1 of the Hearing Subcommittee's report*

- *Notes the significant amount of time contributed by the Hearing Subcommittee (Mr Alan Bickers; Sir Brian Elwood; Mr Charles Finny; Ms Kay Saville-Smith; and the Chairman, Councillor Terry McDavitt) which was required to read 40,000 pages of material and hear 394 oral submissions.*
 - *Commends and thanks the Subcommittee for its commitment.*
 - *Disbands the Western Corridor Hearing Subcommittee, it having completed its task.*
- (4) *Receives the minutes of the Western Corridor Hearing Subcommittee (Attachment 1, and addition to Attachment 1).*
- (5) *Notes the Core Communications report, Western Corridor Submissions Analysis.*
- (6) *Seeks the views of network providers on relevant elements of the Hearing Subcommittee's report at the RLTC meeting on 11 April 2006.*
- (6) *Schedules formal consideration of the Western Corridor Plan for the 11 April 2006 meeting of the RLTC*
- (7) *Notes Greater Wellington will consider the Committee's recommendations at its meeting on 27 April 2006*

Noted

Officers will formally thank the members of the Hearing Subcommittee.

Resolved

(Mayor Prendergast/Mayor Milne)

- (1) *That the Committee will ask officers to place the following draft resolution on the agenda for the RLTC meeting of 11 April 2006:*
- (2) *In the interests of resolving uncertainty in developing the Western Corridor Plan, the RLTC supports a deputation to Government to resolve the following issues:*

Whether Government will

- (1) *Agree to further "C" funding to allow the Transmission Gully Motorway to be built.*
- (2) *Assure the RLTC that this will not impact negatively on other important regional projects, some of which have yet to be developed.*

Other Matters

RLT 77 Questions

There were no questions.

RLT 78 General

There were no matters of general business.

11.20am The meeting closed.

CR FH WILDE
Acting Chairperson

Date