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Report on the Transport and Access Committee Meeting held on 26 November 2008

1. Purpose

To inform Council about the meeting of the Transport and Access Committee that took place on 26 November 2008.

2. Significance of the decision

The matters for decision in this report **do not** trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. Report

The Transport and Access Committee heard directly from one individual during public participation in relation to Raumati station. In addition a number of statements were read out by Councillors on behalf of members of the public unable to attend the meeting. The topics covered were the Regional Rail Plan and a request for a platform at MacKay's Crossing. Cr Glensor also tabled two submissions on concession fares.

The Committee had a presentation on the Regional Rail Plan and the Preferred Implementation Pathway. The Committee was enthusiastic about the Plan and endorsed Rail Scenario 1 (RS1) as the preferred implementation pathway. RS1 builds on the current improvements that are underway and provides the additional capacity, reliability and frequency that will be essential if regional and national targets and the current growth up to and beyond 2016 are to be catered for. The Plan includes a long term pathway to 2026. It has been referred to the Regional Transport Committee.

The Committee considered a paper on the proposed Golden Mile bus priority measures and requested that officers make a submission supporting the proposals.

A report on the “Kapiti Plus” scheme trial provided some positive news on the results to-date. The Committee agreed to continue the scheme trial until 30 April 2009 to allow further analysis and funding matters to be considered.

The status of various concession schemes was considered in light of the new SuperGold Card Travel Scheme. The Committee agreed to cease the Go Wellington Concession Scheme from 31 March 2009, noting that it is replaced for veterans and essentially replaced for seniors by the SuperGold Scheme.

The Committee received a number of update reports and then moved into Public Excluded session to consider a report on the Bus and Ferry Procurement Strategy.

4. Minutes

The minutes of the Committee’s meeting are attached as **Attachment 1**.

5. Recommendations

That the Committee:

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

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Attachment 1: Public minutes