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Report on the Transport and Access Committee Meeting held on 22 October 2009

1. Purpose

To inform Council about the meeting of the Transport and Access Committee that took place on 22 October 2009.

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

Paula Warren addressed the Committee during public participation and provided a written submission addressing a number of items on the agenda. The key focus of the submission was the need to plan for the Metlink public transport network in an integrated manner. This integration could be achieved through the development of an integrated public transport network plan.

The Committee received a report on the opening of Manners Mall to buses and an update on the Central Area Bus Operational Review. Consultant David Dunlop from Opus gave a presentation on the Findings of the Operational Review, which clearly supports opening Manners Mall to buses. The Committee agreed to reaffirm support for opening Manners Mall to buses and gave the Chairman authority to approve and present a submission to Wellington City Council. The Committee did discuss and note the number of groups who opposed the opening of Manners Mall and requested that this be acknowledged in the submission.

The Committee was given a presentation on the findings of the initial public consultation on the Wellington public transport review. Over three thousand submissions were received. Some key findings were:

- the large majority of respondents considered that they had good walking access to public transport and most had used public transport in the last year
- the majority of travel is to the Wellington CBD
- while the majority of respondents were satisfied with the level of services at peak times, there were a significant number not satisfied, with a similar result for services outside of the peak.

The Divisional Manager's report updated the Committee on progress with various projects and work areas. Some highlights were signing of a contract to introduce an electronic solution for the Total Mobility Scheme and the progress with production of the Matangi trains.

4. Minutes

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

5. Recommendations

That the Council:

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

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Attachment 1: Public minutes