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Committee Economic Wellbeing Committee

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Proposed Regional Public Transport Plan

1. Purpose

To endorse the Proposed Regional Public Transport Plan 2011 and to recommend it be adopted by the Council.

2. The decision-making process and significance

The subject matter of this report is part of a decision-making process that will lead to the Council making a decision of medium significance within the meaning of the Local Government Act 2002. The decision making process is explicitly prescribed for by section 20 of the Public Transport Management Act 2008, which includes use of the special consultative procedure under section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. Background

The development of a Regional Public Transport Plan commenced last year with the terms of reference adopted on 9 February 2010 (**Report 10.16**) and updated on 18 January 2011 (**Report 11.16**).

A discussion document was sent to stakeholders including transport operators, local authorities and public transport advocates in March 2010. Feedback on the discussion document was reported in June 2010 (**Report 10.319**).

A preliminary draft regional public transport plan was subsequently prepared and sent to stakeholders for further feedback in March 2011 and reported in April 2011 (**Report 11.171**).

The Proposed Regional Public Transport Plan (the Proposed Plan) was approved for consultation by this Committee in June 2011 and the Regional Public Transport Plan Hearing Subcommittee was formed (**Report 11.227**). The consultation period ran from 30 June to 2 August 2011.

Hearings and deliberations took place on 15, 16 and 23 August, 2011. On 20 September 2011 the Subcommittee was provided with a draft of the amended Proposed Plan (Report **11.401**) The Subcommittee agreed to endorse the

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amended Proposed Plan subject to a number of alterations being made (see Report 11.418).

4. Development of the Proposed Plan

The main amendments made to the Proposed Plan between the draft and proposed versions are:

- Structurally changing the flow of the Proposed Plan to make it flow and read in a more logical manner
- Ensure that the language and tone of the Proposed Plan recognised Greater Wellington's positive commitment to public transport in our region
- Clarification on terminology used in the Policy area of Fares, ticketing and information
- Amendment to section 9.1.2(b) deleting the reference to private schools
- Updating of figures where possible to show actual 2010/11 data
- Use some of the terminology from the recent MRCagney presentation in the Proposed Plan

5. Recommendations

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report.
- 2. *Notes* the content of the report.
- 3. **Endorses** Proposed Regional Public Transport Plan 2011 as set out in Attachment 1 to this report.
- 4. Authorises the Chair of the Regional Public Transport Plan Hearings Subcommittee to approve minor editorial amendments to the endorsed Proposed Regional Public Transport Plan 2011.
- 5. **Recommends** that the Council adopts the Proposed Regional Public Transport Plan 2011.

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Attachment 1: Proposed Regional Public Transport Plan 2011 incorporating recommended changes to the Proposed Regional Public Transport Plan 2011

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