

Report 23.49

# Confirmed Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on Thursday 16 February 2023

Taumata Kōrero – Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council | Te Pane Matua Taiao 100 Cuba Street, Te Aro, Wellington, at 9.30am

# **Members Present**

Councillor Nash (Chair) Councillor Woolf (Deputy Chair) (until 10.08am) Councillor Bassett Councillor Connelly Councillor Duthie (via Teams) Councillor Gaylor (via Teams) Councillor Kirk-Burnnand (from 9.35am) Councillor Laban Councillor Lee Councillor Ponter (via Teams until 10.12am, in person from 12.01pm) Councillor Ropata Councillor Saw

## Karakia timatanga

The Committee Chair opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

## **Public Business**

#### 1 Apologies

Moved: Cr Connelly / Cr Bassett

That the Committee accepts the apology for absence from Councillor Staples, lateness from Councillor Kirk-Burnnand, and early departure from Councillor Woolf.

The motion was carried.

**Noted**: The Committee noted that Councillor Staples was absent from the meeting to attend to Council business.

#### 2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

#### 3 Public participation

Rod Badcock spoke on bikes on trains and bus replacements on the rail network.

**Noted**: The Committee requested that it receive a report on bus replacements on the rail network, including capacity, availability of bus racks, health and safety standards of the buses used, and real time tracking of buses.

Councillor Kirk-Burnnand arrived at the meeting at 9.35am, during the above public participant.

Andrew Jacombs spoke on bus replacements on the rail network, including bike racks, standards of buses; and on East/West connectivity.

Noted: The Committee requested a report on East/West connectivity of public transport.

Fred McDonald spoke on public transport in Ōtaki, including the lack of bus shelters, and the need to have a covered platform at Waikanae Station.

Councillor Woolf left the meeting at 10.08am at the end of Public Participation and did not return.

4 Frontline Public Transport staff workforce issues – Report 23.11 [For Information]

Melissa Anderson, Manager, Operations and Partnerships, and Matthew Chote, Principal Account Manager, Ferry and Rail, spoke to the report.

**Noted:** The Committee requested an overview of the abatement and bonus regime for bus companies.

Councillor Ponter left the meeting at 10.12am during the introduction of the above report.

The meeting adjourned at 10.48am and resumed at 11.10am.

## 5 Public Transport Performance – December 2022 – Report 23.10 [For Information]

Melissa Anderson, Manager, Operations and Partnerships, and Matthew Chote, Principal Account Manager, Ferry and Rail, spoke to the report. January 2023 bus performance results were tabled.

## 6 Regional Public Transport Plan 2024-34 review – Report 23.12

Emmet McElhatton, Manager, Policy, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Ropata / Cr Lee

That the Committee:

1 Agrees that officers commence a review of the Regional Public Transport Plan.

- 2 Notes that the review is being undertaken to confirm the next network 'unit' structure in anticipation of procurement of new bus operating contracts and to address planned strategic changes and opportunities arising from the Land Transport Management Act Amendment Bill 2023, including potential establishment of the Sustainable Public Transport Framework.
- 3 Notes that the review is expected to be completed by August 2024.
- 4 Notes that this review will be aligned with a number of other key Greater Wellington strategic plans including the 2024 Greater Wellington Long Term Plan (LTP), the Wellington Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP) and the Waka Kotahi National Land Transport Plan and Funding Bid (NLTF).

The motion was carried.

**Noted:** The Committee requested a brief timeline of the Regional Public Transport Plan and Regional Land Transport Plan reviews.

Councillor Ponter returned to the meeting at 12.01pm during debate of the above item and was present for the vote.

Delivery of Wellington Regional Public Transport Plan – Report 23.9 [For Information]
Emmet McElhatton, Manager, Policy, spoke to the report.

**Noted**: The Committee requested more information, including timelines for delivery, on the four projects outlined in Paragraph 18 of the report.

# Karakia whakamutunga

The Committee Chair closed the meeting with a karakia whakamutunga.

The meeting closed at 12.13pm.

Councillor T Nash Chair

Date:

23/3/23