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## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE REGIONAL TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

**Date:** Friday 6 March 2009  
**Time:** 1.30 pm  
**Venue:** Council Chamber  
Hawke's Bay Regional Council  
159 Dalton Street  
NAPIER

### **Regional Transport Committee**

Cr A Dick – Chairman – HBRC  
Cr K Furlong – NCC  
Cr N Speers – HDC  
Cr T Kingston – CHBDC  
Mayor L Probert – WDC  
Jenny Chetwynd – NZTA  
David Murray – AA  
Murray Douglas – Chamber of Commerce  
Tracy McMillan – CHBDHB  
Alastair Bramley – ECOED  
Insp. Chris Wallace – NZ Police

### **Advisory**

Chris Bain – Port of Napier

### **Technical Advisory Group**

Chris Perley – HBRC  
Carol Gilbertson – HBRC  
Helen Codlin – HBRC  
Denise Elers – NZTA  
Simon Barnett – NZTA  
Rob Bramley - NZTA  
Jon Schwass – NCC  
Mark Clews – HDC  
Jag Pannu – HDC  
Shawn McKinley – CHBDC  
Bill Lewis – WDC  
Sally Chandler – HBRC, Minute Taker

### **In Attendance**

Elizabeth Shaw – Ministry of Transport

Alan Dick welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Messrs John Emmerson, Ian Hunter, Tim Gilbertson, Mike Mohi, Dr Caroline McElnay and Garth Cowie.

**Speers/Chetwynd  
CARRIED**

2. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

3. **SHORT TERM REPLACEMENT ON COMMITTEE**

Allowance has been made in the terms of reference of the Committee for short term replacements to be appointed to the Committee where the usual member/s cannot attend.

**Resolution:**

That Ms Tracy McMillan, representing Health, and Mr Chris Bain, Advisory Coastal are appointed as members of the Regional Transport Committee for the meeting on Friday 6 March 2009 as short term replacements for Dr C McElnay and Mr Garth Cowie, respectively.

**Furlong/Kingston  
CARRIED**

4. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30 JANUARY 2009**

Minutes of the meeting held on 30 January 2009, a copy having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read and confirmed.

**Probert/Speers  
CARRIED**

5. **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON FRIDAY 30 JANUARY 2009**

There were no matters arising.

6. **ACTION ITEMS FROM COUNCIL MEETINGS**

- (a) **Advisory Position Rail** - Ms Codlin confirmed that a letter had been received from Kiwi Rail Group and that no advisory person had yet been appointed.

A decision was made to escalate the situation as it was imperative that the Rail Advisory position be filled as soon as possible. Alan Dick will undertake to follow up.

- (b) **Significance Policy** – This item listed as Agenda Item 9 for confirmation today.

7. **CONSIDERATION OF GENERAL BUSINESS**

- (a) Consultation Process

8. **NZTA REPORT BY REGIONAL DIRECTOR**

Ms Chetwynd gave the Committee a verbal report and noted the following points:

- (a) GPS – Ms Chetwynd advised that she would stay in touch with the RTC with any changes that may arise; no time frames had been set.  
Elizabeth Shaw, MOT, noted that the RLTP development and consultation process should proceed as normal.
- (b) Through Treasury, a National Infrastructure Unit and National Advisory Board were being set up. They will be advisory only to the Government, to assist in meeting its objectives to permanently lift the sustainable growth rate and the economy. Unsure yet on how this will interface with NZTA.
- (c) NZTA internal restructuring is proceeding. Regional Directors have taken on funding responsibilities and as yet regional appointments have not been confirmed.

**Resolution:**

That the Committee receive the NZTA's Regional Director's report.

**Speers/Wallace  
CARRIED**

9. **SIGNIFICANCE POLICY FOR VARIATION TO REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT PROGRAMMES**

**Resolution:**

That the Committee approves the Significance Policy for Variation to the Regional Land Transport Programmes.

**Kingston/Chetwynd  
CARRIED**

10. **APPROVAL OF DRAFT REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT PROGRAMME**

- Ms Codlin discussed the appendices circulated at the meeting which included updated Tables 2, 3 and 4 of the draft plan
- Appendix 1 a full list of all projects in the Region submitted by Wairoa District Council, Napier City Council, Hastings District Council, Central Hawke's Bay District Council, Hawke's Bay Regional Council and NZTA (State Highways Network), objectives were updated at the TAG meeting held earlier today, and
- Appendix 2 – Expenditure by Activity Class for a 10 year period.

Following a general discussion the following items were to be updated in the draft RLTP:

- Glossary to be moved to the front of the document
- (item 2.9.5) Add a new section discussing Rail & Shipping
- (item 3.4.1) Split the Broad Priority Table into two, one for 'Roading Activities' and the other for 'Other Transport Activities'. Elevate Public Transport as priority 1 in the second table.

- (item 3.6.4) Move up Northern Arterial Route from item 3.6.5 and include reference to Southern Extension, Matahorea Gorge, Prebensen Drive, Napier-Taihape Rd.
- (item 3.6.5) New comment required for this section *i.e.* 'Further regionally significant activities are likely to be identified as part of the review of the Hawke's Bay Transport Study. Possible examples include:
  - *Whakatu Outlet*
  - *Awatoto to Expressway*
  - *Pakowhai Expressway Grade-Separation Intersection (is not currently in the programme).*
- Helen to go through and tweak words, where necessary like 'ParknRide' page 20.
- There should be more reference made to Rail and Coastal Shipping and an initial request for funding to allow for studies into these alternatives to Road Transport. Secondly, there should also be a study on Cycling/Walking Strategies for the region. It was noted that funding requests can be made as part of the RLTP and that other funding sources may also be available.
- The Appendices section to be moved to the end of the Plan behind, consultation /submission section.
- The Chairman paid tribute to Helen Codlin and her team on the work done on the RLTP.

**Resolution:**

1. That the Regional Land Transport Programme include two additional studies being a study into 'Alternatives to Road Transport embracing Rail & Coastal Shipping' and a 'Regional Walking and Cycling Study', estimated at a combined value of \$100,000, and that the Committee make a submission to the Hawke's Bay Regional Council for the required \$25,000 local share.

**Dick/Probert  
CARRIED**

2. That the Committee approves the Draft Hawke's Bay Regional Land Transport Programme 2009-12 subject to any amendments, for consultation purposes.

**Kingston/Furlong  
CARRIED**

11. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Consultation Process**

Ms Codlin outlined the consultation process for the Draft Regional Land Transport Programme:

- A summary of the Plan will be included in the Regional Council's next "The Big Picture".
- A copy of the plan will be sent to interested parties
- Expos are being held in the region for Council's 10 Year Plan and the RLTP will also be included (regional assistance will be requested).
- Submissions close on 11 May 2009

- Submission will be heard by the RTC on Tuesday 2 June 2009.

**Closure:**

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 2.50pm.

Signed as a true and correct record.

**DATE:** .....

**CHAIRMAN:** .....