

Report 24.522

Confirmed Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on Thursday 19 September 2024

Taumata Korero - Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council | Te Pane Matua Taiao

100 Cuba St, Te Aro, Wellington at 9.31am

Members Present

Councillor Nash (Chair)

Councillor Woolf (Deputy Chair) (until 10.08am)

Councillor Bassett

Councillor Connelly (from 9.31am until 11.00am, from 11.27am)

Councillor Gaylor

Councillor Kirk-Burnnand

Councillor Laban (from 9.35am)

Councillor Lee

Councillor Ropata

Councillor Saw (from 9.31am until 11.00am, from 11.27am)

Councillor Staples

Andrew Lensen

Councillors Bassett, Laban and Ropata participated at this meeting remotely via Microsoft Teams and counted for the purpose of quorum in accordance with clause 25B of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Karakia timatanga

The Committee Chair opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved: Cr Staples/ Cr Kirk-Burnnand

That the Committee accepts the apologies for absence from Councillors Duthie and Ponter, apology for lateness from Councillor Laban and apology for early departure from Councillor Woolf.

The motion was carried.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3 Public participation

Fred Macdonald spoke to transport services north of Waikanae.

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on 15 August 2024 – Report 24.436

Moved: Cr Saw / Cr Kirk-Burnnand

That the Committee confirms the Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on 15 August 2024 - Report 2024.436

The motion was carried.

5 Update on the Progress of Action Items from Previous Transport Committee Meetings – September 2024 – Report 24.482 [For Information]

Samantha Gain, Kaiwhakahaere Matua Waka-ā-atea | Group Manager Metlink, spoke to the report.

Noted: The Committee requested officers to advise when there is a confirmed date to meet with the Maymorn community about the temporary closure of Maymorn Station.

Noted: The Committee requested that a letter be drafted to the Kāpiti Coast District Council Mayor about the planning for the Paraparaumu railway station following the release of the National Land Transport Plan funding decisions.

Noted: The Committee requested that officers consider including the non-financial benefits of the use of public transport, in future updates on emerging trends in transport.

Councillor Woolf left at 10.08am at the conclusion of the above item and did not return.

6 Metlink Bus Fleet Emissions – Report 24.462 [For Information]

Paul Blane, Principal Advisor Bus Fleet Assets & Infrastructure, Fiona Abbott, Senior Manager Assets & Infrastructure and Tamsin Mitchell, Senior Environmental Scientist, spoke to the report.

Noted: The Committee requested a future workshop item on the disposal of batteries from electric buses.

7 Public Transport Performance Update – September 2024 – Report 24.452 [For Information]

Matthew Chote, Senior Manager Operations, spoke to the report.

8 Public Transport Operator Update – Transdev – Report 24.454 [For Information]
Ian Ladd, Managing Director Transdev, and Matthew Chote, Senior Manager Operations, spoke to the report.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00am at the conclusion of this item and resumed at 11:25am.

9 Bus Driver Toilet Facilities Update - Report 24.511 [For Information]

Fiona Abbott, Senior Manager Assets & Infrastructure, and Hamish Burns, Manager Bus & Ferry Assets, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Nash / Cr Gaylor

That the Committee:

- 1 Notes the importance of public transport workers for the region and its economy.
- 2 Notes that Council's construction of driver toilets is competitively tendered and subject to robust value for money and whole of life cost assessments.
- Notes that the investment in driver toilets is part of a wider programme to improve the public transport network for both bus drivers and passengers.
- 4 Reconfirms the Committee's commitment to continued improvements to, and investments in, bus driver safety and wellbeing.

The motion was carried.

Councillors Connelly and Saw returned to the meeting at 11:27am during the above item and were present for the vote on the above motion.

Karakia whakamutunga

The Committee Chair closed the meeting with a karakia whakamutunga.

The public meeting closed at 11:42am.

Councillor T Nash

Chair

Date: 24/10/24