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Minutes of the Meeting of the Regional Land Transport Committee held in the Council Chamber, The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington on Thursday, 30 March 2000 at 9.30am

Present

Cr McDavitt (Chairperson)	(Wellington Regional Council)
Cr Allen	(Wellington Regional Council)
Cr Baird	(Hutt City Council)
Cr Barnard	(Upper Hutt City Council)
Mr Bognuda	(Commercial Road Users Assoc)
Cr Bonner	(Wellington Regional Council)
Cr Buchanan	(Wellington Regional Council)
Cr Cameron	(Carterton District Council)
Cr Gibson	(Wellington Regional Council)
Cr Hutchings	(Wellington City Council)
Cr McKenzie	(Masterton District Council)
Cr McQueen	(Wellington Regional Council)
Mr Olsen	(Transfund New Zealand)
Mayor Read	(South Wairarapa District Council)
Mr Rendall	(Transit New Zealand)
Mr Royds	(Automobile Association)
Cr Turver	(Wellington Regional Council)
Cr Walpole	(Porirua City Council)
Ms Warren	(PTUA/Cyclists/Pedestrians)

Also present

Councillor Shaw, Wellington Regional Council

Officers Present

Messrs Brennand, Darroch and Dr Watson

Public Business

Procedural Items

RLT43 **Apologies**

Resolved (Cr McDavitt/Cr Allen)

That the apologies from Councillor Brown, Mrs Kennedy, Councillor Macaskill and Councillor Shields be confirmed and the apologies for lateness from Inspector Allo, Councillor Baird and Councillor Barnard also be confirmed.

RLT44 **Public Participation**

Neil Douglas, Darryl Cockburn, Chris Horne - Transport 2000

Transport 2000 listed a number of rail improvements items which should be funded in the Western Corridor Implementation Plan before Transmission Gully. A copy of Transport 2000's written statement was circulated to members of the Committee.

Russell Morrison, Transmac

Mr Morrison said Transmac supported the upgrading of the existing roading network and the commencement of the Transmission Gully project as soon as possible.

RLT45 **Confirmation of Minutes**

Resolved (Cr Turver/Cr Gibson)

That the minutes of the meeting held on 7 December 1999 be confirmed.

Matter for Decision

RLT46 **Western Corridor Implementation Plan**

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Inspector Allo joined at 9.55am.

Councillor McDavitt said he would first ask Dr Watson to explain why the Western Corridor Implementation Plan had not been available before today's meeting.

Dr Watson said the implementation plan was a technical report and just prior to completion Transit New Zealand had further proposals about Mana Esplanade for consideration at today's meeting.

Councillor McDavitt said as today's meeting was primarily to consider a consultation process for the plan he thought the meeting should hear a presentation from Mr Brennand prior to a formal consideration of the document.

Councillor McDavitt said, if members agreed, he then proposed that the item lie on the table for further consideration at a date in early April. Councillor McDavitt said he would advise when the meeting could reconvene later in the morning.

Mr Brennand then gave a presentation.

A copy of the Plan was then circulated and members stopped for morning tea at 10.45am.

Resumption 11.10am.

Resolved (Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

That further consideration of this item be deferred until the meeting reconvened on Wednesday 12 April 2000 at 9.30am in the Council Chamber, Regional Council Centre, Wakefield Street, Wellington.

Resolved (Cr McDavitt/Cr Turver)

That the following recommendations lie on the table:

- (1) *That the Committee note that the 'Western Corridor Implementation Plan', when adopted by the Regional Council, will become a part of the operative Regional Land Transport Strategy.*
- (2) *That the draft 'Western Corridor Implementation Plan' be released for public consultation.*
- (3) *That the closing date for public submissions on the draft 'Western Corridor Implementation Plan' be 31 May 2000.*
- (4) *That the next meeting of the Regional Land Transport Committee scheduled for 20th June 2000 be held in Porirua to hear and, if time permits, deliberate on any submissions received on the plan.*

RLT47 **Presentations**

The following persons made presentations to the Committee:

- Dr Morgan Williams, Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment
- Mr Ted Breach, ACC-PRISM

- Prof Derek Scrafton, University of South Australia

Matters for Information

- RLT48 **Editorial Changes Made to the Regional Land Transport Strategy**
- Report 00.117** File: T/4/7/1
- Resolved* (*Cr Buchanan/Cr Turver*)
- That the report be received and the information noted.*
- RLT49 **National Transport Futures Forum – 31 March 2000**
- Report 00.166** File: T/3/2/6
- Resolved* (*Cr Turver/Cr McQueen*)
- That the report be received.*
- RLT50 **Transit New Zealand Wellington Regional Office Report**
- Report 00.177** File: T/2/1/1
- Resolved* (*Cr McDavitt/Mr Rendall*)
- That this and the attached report be received for information.*
- RLT51 **Land Transport Safety Authority Wellington Region Road Safety Report**
- Report 00.178** File: T/14/1/1
- Resolved* (*Cr McDavitt/Cr Cameron*)
- That the report be received and the information noted.*
- RLT52 **Transfund New Zealand Report**
- Report 00.176** File: T/2/7/1
- Resolved* (*Cr McDavitt/Mr Olsen*)
- That the report be received and the information noted.*

Councillor's Proposal

RLT53 Consultation on Variations or Changes to District Plans**Report 00.189**

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*Resolved**(Cr Gibson/Cr Allen)**That the report be received.***Other Matters****RLT54 Questions**

Ms Warren said a recent article in the City Voice suggested that Wellington City Council was considering policies contrary to the Regional Land Transport Strategy and asked what power the Regional Council had to oppose such initiatives.

Dr Watson said that the Wellington City Transport Strategy was not a statutory document but consistency with the Regional Land Transport Strategy was a condition for funding from Transfund. Dr Watson said the Regional Council could involve itself in statutory processes such as the District Plan if it so wished.

Councillor Hutchings, Wellington City Council, said the City Transport Strategy had not been finalised and the City Voice article had simply recorded comments from individual Councillors.

Councillor Barnard asked whether the Regional Council involved other parties in discussions before items reached the committee stage. Dr Watson said in most cases prior discussions were held with interested parties. Council tried to be inclusive in all its transport deliberations.

RLT55 General

There were no items of general business.

The meeting adjourned at 1.15pm.

CR T J McDAVITT
Chairperson

Date