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Regional Land Transport Strategy Review Plan

1. Purpose

This report sets out a plan for the review of the Wellington Regional Land Transport Strategy 1999 –2004 (RLTS).

2. Background

The strategy is prepared under the provisions of the Land Transport Act 1998 and must be reviewed at least every 2 years. The last full review was completed on 15 September 1999 when the Regional Land Transport Committee adopted the current strategy. Since then the western corridor elements of the strategy have been reviewed and a revised Western Corridor Implementation Plan was approved by the Committee on 21 June 2000. In mid 2000 work began on reviewing the Eastern Corridor, known as the Hutt Corridor. This review is nearing completion. More recently work on the Wairarapa Corridor has been undertaken and is also nearing completion.

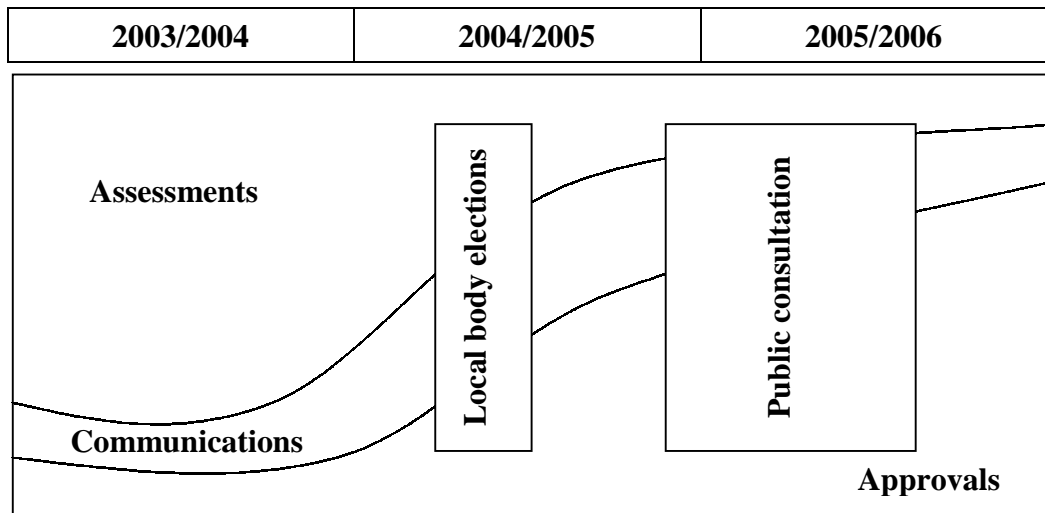
This review of the strategy will not revisit the RLTS objectives because they fully cover:

- Accessibility and economic development;
- Affordability;
- Economic efficiency;
- Safety; and
- Sustainability.

However, it is intended to review the performance measures and the reporting of these during the preparation of the baseline report. This work will then link to the further refinement of the prioritisation methodology.

3. The Programme

The table on the following pages outlines work streams that will need to be coordinated to complete the strategy review. The plan envisages public consideration commencing in May 2005, and approval of the new RLTS by June 2006. A diagram representing the overall programme is shown below.



The diagram shows that the majority of necessary assessments will be carried out over the next 18 months, communications with stakeholders continuing throughout the process, and approvals also continuing throughout the process but concentrated in the latter stages, particularly around a necessary public consultation phase.

There is some uncertainty in the programming. This reflects the relatively unknown amount of work that is required to satisfactorily analyse and report on various scenarios and the likely difficulty in making progress with matters in the Wellington CBD corridor. There is no doubt that these tasks are large and complex, and will therefore be time very consuming.

The first issues to be studied using the new model will be:

- the Wellington CBD corridor, broadly defined as the routes linking Ngauranga, the CBD, the hospital and airport; and
- the western corridor, with a focus on updating the justification for the proposed Transmission Gully Motorway (TGM).

These issues will be studied in parallel. Work on TGM is shown to finish with a report back to the Committee in March 2004. The CBD is expected to take longer to progress with completion, somewhat optimistically shown to be July 2004.

The table on the following pages presents the work streams and target completion dates for the review.

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Work Stream	Activities	Partners	Process	Completion Date
Review plan	Develop a plan	Technical Group, GWT officers	RLTC report & signoff	21 Aug 2003
Modelling	Model hand over	BCHF/SKM	Hand over Technical group etc briefing	Jul 2003 8 Aug 2003
TGM & CBD, then others	Define 'green' packages for analysis	Brent Efford	Meetings with stakeholders as required	Dec 2003
	Prepare baseline report to highlight issues	Technical Group	Model analysis and report	Oct 2003
			RLTC report	13 Nov 2003
	Analysis of base scenarios and report (stage 1)	Technical Group	Meetings as required to review results and agree further analysis	Jul 2004
			Report back to RLTC	Aug 2004
	Analysis of preferred packages (stage 2)	Technical Group	Meetings as required to review results and agree further analysis	Nov 2004
			Report back to RLTC	Feb 2005
Prioritisation methodology	Refine evaluation method	Technical Group	RLTC report & signoff	13 Nov 2003
Cycling policies	Produce a Cycling Strategy	Cycling technical group	Working group process Draft strategy	21 Aug 2003
			RLTC report & signoff	13 Nov 2003

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Land Use, Energy & Transport	Undertake a community capacity analysis	Technical Group, Sustainable development strategy working group	Investigation & report	Oct 2003
	Report findings to Partners workshop on Regional Growth	RLTC, Mayoral Forum, Technical Group, Sustainable development strategy working group	Regional growth forum to present info on main issues, understand the consequences, & agree main issues for action	Oct 2003 ?
	Emissions/air quality report		Report to RLTC	21 Aug 2003
Demographics and forecasts	Review of trends to 2001 census and household survey		Include information in new model	Jul 2003
			Input to model briefing	Aug 2003
			Input to regional growth forum	Oct 2003 ?
Public perceptions of transport service levels: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Congestion • Walking • Cycling • Passenger transport safety 	Undertake a perceptions survey		Develop questions	Jun 2003
			Telephone survey	Jul 2003
			Report results in the Annual Monitoring Report (AMR)	Sep 2003

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Key policies & assumptions	Confirm needs / vision / objectives / policies / themes & identify areas for review	RLTC, Mayoral Forum, Technical Group	Workshop (to follow the regional growth forum)	13 Nov 2003
			RLTC report & signoff	Feb 2004
Annual monitoring report (AMR)	Prepare the 2002/3 AMR		Access planning team	Sep 2003
	Publish the 2002/3 AMR		Input to the regional growth forum	Oct 2003 ?
Road safety policies	Produce a Road Safety Strategy	Road safety technical group	Working group meetings as required	Feb 2004
			RLTC report & signoff	Mar 2004
Pedestrian policies	Produce a Pedestrian Strategy	Pedestrian technical group	Working group process	Feb 2004
			RLTC report & signoff	Mar 2004
Hutt corridor decisions	Consider draft recommendations	RCA's	RLTC draft decision report	29 May 2003
			Feedback from RCA's	Oct 2003
			RLTC report & signoff	13 Nov 2003

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CBD Corridor	WCC's transport strategy review	(report by WCC to WCC)	High level policy review report	Jun 2003
	CBD corridor modelling	WCC, TNZ technical group	Update Saturn model	Jul/Aug 2003
			Report on analysis	Nov 2003
			Considered by stakeholders	Dec 2003
			Consultation	May 2004 ?
			Decisions	Jul 2004 ?
Wairarapa corridor decisions	Consider draft recommendations	RCA's	RLTC draft decision report	29 May 2003
			Feedback from RCA's	Aug/Sep 2003
			RLTC report & signoff	13 Nov 2003
LTM decision	Government approval			Sep 2003 ?
RLTS documentation	Update statutory and context material		RLTC report & signoff (after LTM decision)	Nov 2003 ?
Passenger transport plan	Update PT chapter	Technical group	Update chapter & present to key policies & assumptions workshop	Feb 2005
			Report to PT Committee, recommendations to RLTC	Mar 2005

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Transmission Gully studies	Review of costs and d	TNZ	Consultant's report	Dec 2003 ?
	Decision about need for geotech investigation	TNZ	(\$2M, 18 month duration)	Dec 2003 ?
	Update TG funding study		Tim Kelly to update PWC report (Dec 2000)	Dec 2003
	Review of benefits	TG technical group	Access Planning modelling and Tim Kelly analysis	Dec 2003 ?
	Report updated TG BCR	TG technical group	WCIP sub committee RLTC	Dec 2003 ? Mar 2004
Road pricing This activity has close links with the Affordability work stream (see next page)	Gravitas report on public perceptions	Technical group	Report findings to RLTC	26 May 2003

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Affordability / Funding	Transit and Transfund decisions for 2003/2004			Jun 2003
	AA's international investment comparison	AA	Release report	Aug 2003 ?
	Fraser Jackson report on impact on the local economy		Release report	Aug 2003 ?
	Tony Brennand report on under funding & the way forward		Release report	Aug 2003 ?
	Report on funding likely to be available and the likely Transport Funding Gap (after LTM decision)		RLTC report & agreement to levels for analysis and consultation	13 Nov 2003 ?
RLTC political decisions and process	Policy approvals		Approve review plan	21 Aug 2003
			Receive emissions/ air quality report	21 Aug 2003
			Participate in regional growth forum	Oct 2003 ?

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Political decisions & process (continued)			Determine Hutt Corridor plan	13 Nov 2003
			Determine Wairarapa Corridor plan	13 Nov 2003
			Approve cycling policies	13 Nov 2003
			Approve prioritisation methodology	13 Nov 2003
			Approve statutory and context material	13 Nov 2003 ?
			Determine affordability/funding levels for analysis and consultation	13 Nov 2003 ?
			Approve pedestrian policies	May 2004
			Approve road safety policies	May 2004
			Report back on modelling stage 1	Aug 2004 ! Elections !
			Report back on modelling stage 2	Feb 2005
			Participate in PT workshop	Feb 2005
		Approve Passenger Transport Plan policies	Mar 2005	

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Political decisions & process (continued)	Public Consultation		Workshop to consider consultation document content	Mar 2005
			Approve consultation document	May 2005
			Submissions close	Sep 2005
			Analyse submissions	Nov 2005
			Hold hearing	Feb 2006
			Issue draft decision for partners comments	Apr 2006
			Approve a new RLTS	Jun 2006

4. Communications

There is nothing relevant to communicate at the current time.

5. Recommendation

That the report be received.

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