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Draft Regional Pedestrian Strategy

1. Purpose

To present to the Committee the draft Regional Pedestrian Strategy (**Attachment 1**) for consideration and approval to release the draft for public consultation.

2. Comment

The strategy has been developed with a technical group comprised of representatives from Greater Wellington Regional Council, the region's Territorial Authorities, Transit New Zealand, the Land Transport Safety Authority (Wellington Region), Living Streets Aotearoa (Wellington) and Regional Public Health.

The vision of this Draft Regional Pedestrian Strategy is “more pedestrians in a convenient, safe and pleasant environment”.

The purpose of the strategy is to signal key regional intentions for pedestrian travel.

The outcomes sought from this strategy are:

- improved level of service for pedestrian facilitates;
- increased modal share for pedestrians, especially for short trips;
- improved safety for pedestrians (i.e. reduced casualty numbers); and
- improved perception of pedestrian safety for children.

The strategy frames pedestrian issues from a regional perspective and identifies key objectives and actions that are:

- Directly aimed at resolving regional pedestrian issues;

- Achievable at regional and local levels; and
- Measurable, to enable an adaptive and ongoing strategy for pedestrians.

The objectives for the Regional Pedestrian Strategy are:

1. Ongoing development of pedestrian route connectivity and accessibility;
2. Improved safety (perceived and real) of pedestrians from traffic, the physical environment and crime; and
3. Maintain advocacy towards best practice pedestrian provisions and funding availability.

The strategy action programme is an integrated package of interventions. GWRC has a clear role in facilitating and monitoring strategy implementation. However, the effectiveness of the strategy relies on commitment from all key stakeholders, particularly from RCAs in establishing a pedestrian route review programme for their respective networks.

We expect to see positive outcomes over all indicators as a result of successful implementation of the interventions detailed in the action programme.

3. Timeframe

- Draft strategy released pending approval by the Committee 24 November
- Submissions close 16 February
- Revisions considered by the technical group, strategy amended as necessary 17 February – March
- Revised strategy received and considered by the Committee for adoption March

4. Communication

The strategy will be communicated to the public for consultation via:

- Media release
- Public notice
- News article in GWRC publication *Elements*
- GWRC website (strategy available as a pdf)
- Mail out to RLTC technical group

5. Recommendations

That the draft Regional Pedestrian Strategy be:

- 1. Received by the Committee; and*
- 2. Be released for public consultation.*

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Attachment:

1. Draft Regional Pedestrian Strategy