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Report on the Transport and Access Committee Meeting held on 17 June 2009

1. Purpose

To inform Council about the meeting of the Transport and Access Committee that took place on 17 June 2009.

2. Significance of the decision

The matters for decision in this report **do not** trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. Background

There was no public participation at the meeting.

The Committee received a report reviewing the Greater Wellington Disability Reference Group. After some discussion about the status of the Group and whether its meetings should be held in public, it was decided that there should be a further review of these matters with the Reference Group before any recommendation is brought to the Council.

The Committee was updated on the various service reviews that are underway, including a presentation on some of the findings from the recent consultation in Porirua where 670 submissions were received. A mock-up of a proposed bus stop display for the central Porirua City area was shown to the Committee and received positive feedback.

The Divisional Manager's report provided general updates in a number of areas. Cr Lamason highlighted how well the community had received the recent upgrade work on the Naenae subway. Concerns were once again raised about whether tickets were being issued/travel recorded for SuperGold Card

travel. Officers believe that this is happening. (Officers observed tickets being issued to SuperGold Card holders when returning from the meeting by train.)

A presentation on the 2009 Public Transport Monitor was deferred because the researcher was unavailable to attend the meeting. Councillors will be provided with the findings which will also be made publicly available on the Metlink web site.

The Committee moved into a Public Excluded session to consider reports on weekend trolley bus services and real time information.

Following the meeting Committee members had the opportunity to meet with Mayor Brash and several Porirua City councillors and officers to discuss transport matters. The main topics discussed were the Porirua bus review and Muri Station. A process was outlined for involving both PCC and public submitters at later stages of the bus review, and Porirua City councillors stressed there should be adequate shelters at any new or changed bus stops. PCC councillors and officers were assured they will continue to be key informants in the decision making stages of the review.

With respect to Muri Station, Greater Wellington officers advised that the cost of making Muri Station compliant with the new Matangi trains is very high and the passenger numbers relatively low. The future viability of the station is being considered given the pressure on funding and the close proximity of Muri to Pukerua Bay station. Officers stressed that no decision had been taken and that they would be reporting on the matter to the Committee in the near future.

4. Minutes

The minutes of the committee's meeting are attached as Attachment 1.

5. Recommendations

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

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Attachment 1: Public minutes