

## Notice of Motion: Park and Ride

### Purpose

1. This motion proposes that the Greater Wellington Regional Council invites councils across the Wellington region, the New Zealand Transport Agency, and Kiwirail, to identify land that they own/administer that they consider may be appropriate for park and ride facilities for the Greater Wellington bus and train network

### Background

2. Park and ride facilities allow public transport commuters / travellers to leave their vehicles and transfer to the bus or rail system to complete their journeys. Park and ride facilities already take a significant number of the vehicles off the roads every work day – cars that in most cases travel through the Ngauranga triangle, resulting in greater traffic congestion in Wellington and higher travel costs for commuters.
3. Passenger numbers have been steadily increasing for the past five years, with many people getting out of their cars at the local station and hopping on the train.
4. In the Wellington region, park and ride facilities are generally associated with the rail network. Park and ride facilities are available at the majority of rail stations, with notable park and ride facilities at Waikanae, Paraparaumu, Porirua, Upper Hutt, Waterloo and Petone.
5. The Regional Council has not historically provided for park and ride facilities for the bus network, partly because of cost and lack of available land. There are calls for park and ride facilities associated with the ends of bus routes in Wellington City (North Wellington in particular). This motion provides an opportunity to properly investigate possibilities for bus related park and ride facilities in the Johnsonville, Newlands-Paparangi and Churton Park-Grenada areas.
6. Land for many of the existing park and ride facilities is often contributed by local councils or the New Zealand Transport Authority. This motion requests that Councils and agencies identify any land they may own/administer which may be suitable for park and ride facilities in order that this can be considered by GWRC in future development proposals.

### Comment

7. I envisage that letters will be sent from the Chair: GWRC, to the Councils and agencies with the request that they identify potential land for park and ride facilities. I anticipate that sufficient information will be annexed to the letter to guide the councils and agencies as to desirable locations on the public transport network, minimum land area, ideal location etc. I envisage a timeframe being provided and GWRC officers meeting with councils and agencies to better understand any land that may fit the intended purpose.

### Motion

8. **THAT** the Greater Wellington Regional Council invites councils across the region, the New Zealand Transport Agency, and Kiwirail, to identify land that they own that they consider may be appropriate for park and ride facilities on both the bus and train network.

## Communication

9. The motion should be communicated to the Get Welly Moving Project Team. It is anticipated that as it advances this initiative will include engagement with community, business and transport groups.
10. This Motion is considered to be a matter of low significance in terms of the Council's decision-making guidelines.



Mover: Cr Daran Ponter  
Seconded: Cr Nigel Wilson

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