Report 26.117

Confirmed Public minutes of the Public Transport Committee meeting on Thursday 19 March 2026

Taumata Kōrero – Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council
100 Cuba Street, Te Aro, Wellington at 10.07am

Members Present

Councillor Connelly (Chair)
Councillor James (Deputy Chair)
Councillor Duthie (until 11.54am)
Councillor Elder
Councillor Free
Councillor Gaylor
Councillor Johnstone (until 10.30am, from 11.34am)
Councillor Makarini (until 10.35am, from 11.42am)
Councillor Ponter
Councillor Rhodes
Councillor Saw
Councillor Staples
Councillor Woolf

Councillors Gaylor and Johnstone participated at this meeting remotely via Microsoft Teams and counted for the purpose of quorum in accordance with clause 25A of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

Karakia timatanga

The Committee Chair opened the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

Public Business

1 Apologies

Moved: Cr Saw / Cr James

That the Committee accepts the apology for absence from Councillor Tupou.

The motion was **carried**.

2 Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

3 Public participation

Wendy Q spoke public safety in Wellington bus services. A presentation was tabled.

Councillor Saw read a statement on bus service number 34 – West Karori weekend bus service - on behalf of Julian Vesty, who was unable to attend the meeting.

4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Public Transport Committee meeting of Thursday 12 February 2026 - Report 26.13

Moved: Cr Connelly / Cr Makarini

That the Committee confirms the Public minutes of the Committee meeting of 12 February 2026 - Report 26.13

The motion was **carried**.

5 Update on Progress of Actions Items from Previous Public Transport Committee Meetings – March 2026 – Report 26.110 [For information]

6 Proposed Submission to Ministry of Transport Total Mobility Proposal – Report 26.2

Lily Andrews, Emmet McElhatton, and Hannah Geddis, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Staples / Cr James

That the Committee:

1 Approves the draft submission (Attachment 1) developed to respond to the Ministry of Transport's Proposals to Strengthen Total Mobility consultation document.

2 Delegates to the Public Transport Committee Chair the authority to approve minor editorial changes for the purpose of finalising the submission.

The motion was **carried**.

Councillor Makarini advised a conflict of interest for matters raised in the above item when the item was presented and left the meeting at 10.35am.

7 Emerging Trends in Transport– Report 26.57 [For Information]

Tim Shackleton, Senior Manager Strategy & Investments, and Stephen Christie, Principal Transport Data Analyst, spoke to the report.

Councillor Makarini returned to the meeting at 10.42am during questions on the above item.

8 **Public Transport Performance – January 2026 – Report 26**[For Information]

Paul Tawharu, Senior Manager Operations, spoke to the report.

Councillor Johnstone returned to the meeting at 11.34am during questions on the above item.

Councillor Duthie left the meeting at 11.54 during questions on the above item and did not return.

Karakia whakamutunga

The Chair closed the meeting with a karakia whakamutunga.

The meeting closed at 12.05pm.

Councillor Ros Connelly

Chair

R Connelly

Date: 30/4/26