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Access Planning Manager's Report – Work in Progress

1. Purpose

To update the Committee about the work of the access planning team.

2. Comment

2.1 Hutt Corridor Plan

The hearing of submissions was undertaken in early April. A report from the Hearing Committee is elsewhere on this order paper.

2.2 Regional Cycling Strategy

In my last report I suggested that a draft strategy would be ready for consideration by the Committee at this meeting. However, this view has turned out to be rather optimistic as it is taking considerably longer than originally anticipated to develop the strategy in co-operation with key stakeholders. There is a separate report on this order paper outlining the revised timeframe for the development of this strategy.

2.3 Regional Road Safety Strategy

It is expected that a redrafted strategy will be ready for consideration by the Committee at the 21 August meeting.

2.4 Regional Pedestrian Strategy

Work on this strategy will follow the completion of the main work on the cycling strategy.

2.5 Transport Model Upgrade

Development of the model is continuing generally in accordance with the programme. The new model is expected to be available in late June 2003.

2.6 Road Pricing Investigation

A telephone survey of 1000 residents was conducted in late 2002 to gauge attitudes toward the concept of road pricing. A report on the results of this research is elsewhere on this order paper.

2.7 Telework Kapiti

The Close2:Kapiti campaign was launched in early May and aims to raise the awareness of teleworking as an alternative to commuting. The year long project will test promotion strategies and is being subsidised by Transfund under the Alternatives To Road funding category.

Promotion activities include road side advertising, press releases, a website, a series of workshops, a leaflet delivery to all 18,228 Kapiti households, and technical and marketing support.

2.8 Land Use, Transport and Energy Working Group

A multi-divisional working group has been established to review high level policies and how they relate to land use, transport, energy and environmental outcomes. The output of this group will contribute to the integration of upcoming reviews of the RLTS, Regional Policy Statement and future Long Term Council Community Plans. This committee will be kept apprised of any significant matters raised by the working group.

2.9 RLTS Review

Work to prepare a framework to guide the next review of the RLTS is planned to commence in June. It is expected that the framework will be reported to the August meeting of this committee.

3. Communications

There is nothing to communicate.

4. Recommendation

That the Committee receives the report.

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