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Divisional Manager's Report

1. Purpose

To inform the Committee about the activities and progress of the Public Transport division since the Committee's last meeting.

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. Managers' reports

The Departmental managers' reports are attached (**Attachment 1**).

4. Comment

Congratulations to all Councillors on their election to Greater Wellington and to Cr Glensor for his appointment as Deputy Chairperson of the Council and Chairperson of the Transport and Access Committee. We look forward to working with the Committee over the triennium, during which time we expect to see further significant improvements to the Metlink public transport network.

The new Committee will have a role broader in scope than its predecessor, the Passenger Transport Committee. This change is not reflected in this report or the agenda for this meeting. However, future agendas will include a broader range of transport and access matters. No doubt it will take a little time for the new role and associated reporting to settle in.

The attached Managers' reports provide updates on progress with a number of projects. The most significant highlight to note here is the signing on 13 November of the supply contract for 35 two-car electric commuter trains, with options for an additional 13 two-car units. Coupled with significant upgrades

to the rail network, the new trains will deliver a significantly enhanced service for the people of the region.

5. Communication

No communications are required.

6. Recommendations

That the Committee:

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

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Attachment 1: Departmental Managers' reports