

## **Confirmed Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on Thursday 16 June 2022**

Taumata Kōrero – Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council  
100 Cuba Street, Te Aro, Wellington at 9.30am.

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### **Members Present**

Councillor Blakeley (Chair)  
Councillor Lee (Deputy Chair)  
Councillor Brash  
Councillor Gaylor  
Councillor Hughes  
Councillor Kirk-Burnnand  
Councillor Laban  
Councillor Lamason  
Councillor Nash  
Councillor Ponter (from 9.34am)  
Councillor Staples  
Councillor van Lier (remotely, via Microsoft Teams)

Members participating at this meeting remotely counted for the purposes of quorum in accordance with clause 25B of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Act 2002.

### **Karakia timatanga**

The Committee Chair invited Councillor Lee to open the meeting with a karakia timatanga.

### **Public Business**

#### **1 Apologies**

Moved: Cr Gaylor / Cr Lamason

That the Committee accepts the apology for absence from Councillor Connelly, and lateness from Councillor Ponter.

The motion was **carried**.

#### **2 Declarations of conflicts of interest**

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

### **3 Public participation**

There was no public participation.

The Committee Chair advised that Peter Barlow was scheduled to address the Committee. The Committee Chair explained that Mr Barlow wanted to raise an issue with Metlink's Journey Planner and the new Airport Express service. The Journey Planner bases its calculation of distance on taking a circuitous route because it does not recognise side paths. The Committee Chair advised the Committee that officers will investigate this issue and thanked Mr Barlow for bringing this issue to the attention of the Committee.

Councillor Ponter arrived at the meeting at 9.34am, during the above item.

### **4 Confirmation of the Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on 5 May 2022 – Report 22.186**

Moved: Cr Laban / Cr Nash

That the Committee confirms the Public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on 5 May 2022 - Report 22.186.

The motion was **carried**.

### **5 Update on the Progress of Action Items from Previous Transport Committee Meetings – June 2022 – Report 22.261 [For Information]**

Samantha Gain, General Manager Metlink, spoke to the report.

The Committee Chair accorded priority to agenda item 11 – Public Transport Advisory Group Meeting 5 May 2022 – Report 22.264, in accordance with Standing Order 3.5.2.

### **6 Public Transport Advisory Group Meeting 5 May 2022 – Report 22.264 [For Information]**

Thomas Bryan, Public Transport Advisory Group Deputy Chairperson, spoke to the report.

**Noted:** The Committee requested officers to investigate the resourcing required for Greater Wellington to manage On Demand Public Transport calls.

### **7 Future Fares Direction – Consultation – Report 22.249**

Emmet McElhatton, Manager, Policy, and Bernard Nunns, Policy Advisor, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Nash / Cr Brash

That the Committee:

- 1 Notes that the fares policies in Te Mahere Waka Whenua Tūmatanui o te Rohe o Pōneke Wellington Regional Public Transport Plan 2021-2031 (RPTP) sets the strategic direction on future fares.

- 2 Notes that the proposed fare initiatives have been developed to meet the strategic priorities set out in the RTP.
- 3 Notes that the following principles have been used to guide the design of the proposed fare initiatives and assist with the choice of options through the fares strategy review.  
The future fare system should:
  - a Contribute to the Region's mode-shift and decarbonisation targets
  - b Provide for social good
  - c Promote consistency and fairness
  - d Improve network efficiency
  - e Be simple and easy to understand and use.
- 4 Approves the 'Future Fares Direction' consultation document as set out in Attachment 1 to this report as the basis for public engagement.
- 5 Delegates to the Committee Chair the ability to make editorial changes to the 'Future Fares Direction' consultation document set out in Attachment 1, including to amend the specific policy on page 27 to state "children to travel free on weekends when accompanied by their parent or guardian".
- 6 Agrees to a four-week submission period, proposed from 17 June to 15 July 2022.
- 7 Notes that the Future Fares Direction Subcommittee will hear and consider submissions and other feedback on the fares package and recommend the final proposal to the Committee for adoption.
- 8 Notes that officers will brief Councillors on opportunities to engage with the public through a series of digital engagement events running from Wednesday 29 June to Saturday 9 July 2022.

The motion was **carried**.

The meeting adjourned at 10.21am and resumed at 10.38am.

## **8 Establishment of the Future Fares Direction Hearing Subcommittee – Report 22.193**

The Committee Chair spoke to the report and advised of the inclusion of Councillor Lamason in the Subcommittee membership.

Moved: Cr Ponter / Cr Gaylor

That the Committee:

- 1 Establishes the Future Fares Direction Hearing Subcommittee.
- 2 Adopts the Terms of Reference for the Future Fares Direction Hearing Subcommittee, as set out in Attachment 1.
- 3 Appoints Councillors to the Future Fares Direction Hearing Subcommittee, as follows:



- a Councillor Blakeley
  - b Councillor Brash
  - c Councillor Connelly
  - d Councillor Kirk-Burnnand
  - e Councillor Lamason
  - f Councillor Lee
  - g Councillor Nash
  - h Councillor Ponter
- 4 Appoints Councillor Blakeley as Future Fares Direction Hearing Subcommittee Chair.
- 5 Notes that the hearing is scheduled for 3 to 4 August 2022.

The motion was **carried**.

**9 Metlink Contactless Payment Initiatives Update – Report 22.215** [For Information]

David Boyd, Manager, Network and Customer, spoke to the report.

Councillor Hughes left the meeting at 10.45am, during the above item.

**10 National Ticketing Solution Update – Report 22.232** [For Information]

Samantha Gain, General Manager Metlink, introduced the report, Nikki Lau Young, Manager, National Ticketing Solution, spoke to the report.

Moved: Cr Ponter / Cr Gaylor

That the Committee requests that Greater Wellington's Chief Executive write to the Chief Executive of Kiwirail to ensure that that when the Otaki Railway Station platform is raised, the opportunity is taken to provide cabling for the Next Ticketing system and Real Time Information.

The motion was **carried**.

**11 Public Transport Performance – April 2022 – Report 22.231** [For Information]

Samantha Gain, General Manager, Metlink, spoke to the report. Stephen Christie, Principal Transport Data Analyst, spoke to Attachment 2.

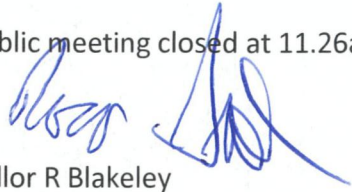
**Noted:** The Committee requested for future performance reports that a comment is included to account for where bus replacements are made for rail services.

Councillor Hughes returned to the meeting at 11.08am, during the above item.

## **Karakia whakamutunga**

The Committee Chair invited Councillor Lee to close the meeting with a karakia whakamutunga.

The public meeting closed at 11.26am.



Councillor R Blakeley

**Chair**

Date:

22/9/2022