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Dear Sir

Wainuiomata - Best Street bridge proposal

Having noticed the recent discussion in the Wainuiomata News about the proposed road link between Best Street and Fullerton Grove, I wish to express the Regional Council's support for the scheme in terms of its public transport benefits. If built, this road will allow the Wise Street bus service to be re-routed from Fitzherbert Road (which will continue to be served by both the Wellington Road and Parkway-Wainuiomata South routes) to Moohan Street, thereby significantly improving access to public transport for residents in that area. It will mean also that Wainuiomata College and Intermediate School will be more easily served by buses, which may enable some efficiencies to be made in terms of ratepayer-funded school bus services, without reducing the level of service.

This statement of support clearly has no bearing on any requirement for the bridge proposal to be the subject of a Regional Council resource consent application.

Wainuiomata Mall - bus access

The Regional Council also supports the proposal to develop Wainuiomata Mall which will result in access for buses from Wainuiomata Road. Provided that buses are able to turn into and out of the Mall entrance without undue delay, I would expect that most if not all Wainuiomata buses will call at the new stop, with benefits for both the retailers and existing and potential bus passengers.

Yours sincerely

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