

Report 20.23

# Confirmed public minutes of the Transport Committee meeting on Thursday 20 February 2020

Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council Level 2, 15 Walter Street, Te Aro, Wellington at 9.31am.

#### **Members Present**

Councillor Blakeley (Chair)

Councillor Brash

**Councillor Connelly** 

Councillor Gaylor

**Councillor Hughes** 

Councillor Kirk-Burnnand

Councillor Laban

Councillor Lamason (from 10am)

Councillor Lee

Councillor Nash

**Councillor Ponter** 

**Councillor Staples** 

### **Public Business**

#### 1. Apologies

Moved: Cr Hughes / Cr Gaylor

That the Committee accepts the apology for absence from Cr van Lier and the apology for lateness from Cr Lamason.

The motion was carried.

#### 2. Declarations of conflicts of interest

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest

# 3. Public participation

Thomas Bryan spoke on public transport accessibility.

Ellenor Mayo presented the Committee with two petitions:

- 1. Request for bus service to and from the railway staton to the north end Parata Street Waikanae 5036 Wellington
- 2. To support the provision of a reliable bus service for all Waikanae residents.

Oliver Bruce from Micromobility Industries, presented to the Committee on micromobility.

Mike Mellor spoke to the Committee on item 4, Strategic priorities for the Transport Committee, and item 7, Advertising on buses – extension of trial.

**Noted:** Cr Lamason arrived at the meeting at 10am during question time on Mr Bruce's presentation.

# Strategy/ Policy/ Major Issues

# 4. Strategic priorities for the Transport Committee – Report 20.26

Luke Troy, Kaiwhakahaere Matua Rautaki/General Manager Strategy, spoke to the report.

Updated recommendations were tabled.

Moved: Cr Blakeley / Cr Lee

That the Committee:

- 1 Notes the current strategic framework for transport as outlined in a range of adopted strategies and plans.
- Notes the contributing elements to the Committee's proposed strategic priorities for the 2019-22 triennium (paragraphs 2 to 21).
- Agrees to the Committee's strategic priorities for the 2019-22 triennium being:
  - a A reduction in transport-generated regional carbon emissions.
  - b An increase in regional mode share for public transport and active modes.
  - c Early delivery of public transport elements of Let's Get Wellington Moving programme.
  - d Funding commitment to the Lower North Island Regional Rail trains.
- 4 Agrees to the Committee's key performance measures for the 2019-22 triennium being the following stretch targets:
  - a *Carbon Emissions:* Contributing to the regional target of a 30% reduction in transport-generated carbon emissions by 2030 through:

- i. Acceleration of the decarbonisation of the public transport vehicle fleet to a total of 100 electric buses by December 2023.
- ii. Further acceleration of the decarbonisation of the public transport vehicle fleet to achieve the corporate target agreed by Council in August 2019 of net zero carbon emissions by 2030.
- b Mode Shift: Contributing to the regional target of a 40% increase in regional mode share from public transport and active modes by 2030 through:
  - i An increase in regional public transport boardings to 44m passenger boardings in 2022 (from 40m passenger boardings in 2019).
  - ii Proactively marketing off-peak and inter-peak bus services to increase off-peak patronage to 50% of all patronage by 2022 (from 47% in 2018/19).
  - iii Undertaking workplace travel programmes for 6 major regional employers by 2022.
- c Let's Get Wellington Moving (LGWM): Working with the programme to ensure early delivery of key elements of LGWM, including:
  - Decisions on mass rapid transit route and mode by December 2020.
  - ii Implementation of pilots and early wins for bus priority on core bus routes by 2022.
- d Lower North Island Regional Rail: Confirmed procurement and delivery plan (including all funding) for Lower North Island regional rail by June 2021.
- e Regional Public Transport Plan: Adopt the Regional Public Transport Plan, to deliver on targets set out in a d above, by June 2021.

The motion was carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10.49 and resumed at 11.05am.

5. Public Transport Performance – Report 20.33 [for information]

Alard Russell, Commercial Manager, Public Transport, spoke to the report.

The performance report for January 2020 was tabled.

6. Bus network review – rest of region – Report 20.50 [for information]

Wayne Hastie, Kaiwhakahaere Matua Hotaka Rautaki/General Manager, Strategic Programmes, spoke to the report.

7. Advertising on buses – extension of trial – Report 20.54

Alard Russell, Commercial Manager, Public Transport, spoke to the report.

## Moved: Cr Staples / Cr Lamason

#### That the Committee:

- Notes that, on 2 October 2019, Council agreed to a trial to assess the viability of introducing advertising on bus windows during November 2019 to February 2020.
- Notes that officers will not have the ability to assess the trial against all agreed criteria before the trial is due to conclude on 29 February 2020.
- Notes that market research undertaken to help assess the trial indicates general public support for advertising on bus windows and that there has been a positive response from advertisers who had previously not considered bus advertising.
- 4 Notes that preparations are in place for targeted consultation with the disability community, including people with visual impairments and that a full assessment of the trial will be undertaken following those consultations.
- 5 Agrees that the trial to assess the viability of introducing advertising on bus windows be extended from concluding on 29 February 2020 until 30 April 2020.

The motion was carried.

The meeting closed at 11.30am.

Councillor R Blakeley

Chair

Date: 25 July 2020