

Minutes of the second meeting of the eleventh triennium of the Regional Transport Committee held at 10.38am on Tuesday 3 March 2020, in the Tararua Room, Horizons Regional Council, 11-15 Victoria Avenue, Palmerston North.

PRESENT Crs RJ Keedwell (Chair), SD Ferguson, Mayor B Wanden (Horowhenua District Council), Mayor H Worboys (Manawatu District Council), Ms E Speight (New Zealand Transport Agency), Mayor G Smith (Palmerston North City Council) *(from 10.48am)*, Mayor A Watson (Rangitikei District Council), Mayor D Cameron (Ruapehu District Council), Mayor T Collis (Tararua District Council) *(from 11.07am)*, Mayor H McDouall (Whanganui District Council) *(from 11.55am)*, Mr L Hammond (Kiwirail), Dr S Lampkin (Active Transport / Public Transport), Inspector D White (NZ Police), Mr E Christiansen (Road Users), Mr S Walker (Road Transport Association).

IN ATTENDANCE Group Manager Regional Services and Information Mr G Shirley
Committee Secretary Mrs KA Tong

ALSO PRESENT At various times during the meeting:
Ms L Shirley (Senior Transport Planner), Mr A Mayston (Road Safety Coordinator), Mr J Miguel (Transport Planner), Ms C Morrison (Media & Communications Manager), Mr R l'Anson (New Zealand Transport Agency), Mr J Tamahana and Mr W Kiriona (Ngati Raukawa), various territorial authority roading / asset managers and members of the public.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

APOLOGIES

RT 20-7 Moved Keedwell/Ferguson

That apologies for lateness be received from Mayors Collis (Tararua District Council), and McDouall (Whanganui District Council).

CARRIED

PUBLIC FORUMS / DEPUTATIONS / PETITIONS

Mr Justin Tamahana and Mr Wayne Kiriona (from Ngati Raukawa) had been granted public speaking rights.

Mr Tamahana and Mr Kiriona discussed concerns around roading issues in the Foxton area and the desire for safe connectivity between the district and town for both road users and cyclists. They also mentioned the need for engagement in discussions around the process of demolishing old bridges in the area, and possible utilisation of parts of the bridges within the district. Members asked questions of clarification and thanked Mr Tamahana and Mr Kiriona for their time.

Mayor Grant Smith joined the meeting at 10.48am.

SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

There were no supplementary items to be considered.

MEMBERS' CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RT 20-8 **Moved** **Watson/Ferguson**

That the Committee:

confirms the minutes of the Regional Transport Committee meeting held on 3 December 2019 as a correct record, and notes that the recommendations were adopted by the Council on 17 December 2019.

CARRIED

ROAD SAFETY UPDATE

Report No 20-24

This report provided an update on road safety trends in the region and advised members of road safety education activities undertaken by Horizons Road Safety Coordinators over the previous six months. Mr Mayston (Road Safety Coordinator) introduced the report and highlighted the region's statistics for deaths and serious injuries in comparison with other regions, and the recently launched 'Road to Zero' action plan. Members provided comments and asked questions of clarification.

RT 20-9 **Moved** **Speight/Worboys**

That the Committee recommends that Council:

a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-24 and Annex.

CARRIED

PROPOSED APPROACH TO SPEED MANAGEMENT

Report No 20-25

Mr Shirley (Group Manager Regional Services & Information) provided an outline of the proposed approach to speed management in New Zealand. He explained that by improving the safety of our roads, streets and footpaths, we could save lives and prevent injuries. He then outlined the proposed Speed Management Plan and its criteria and commented on the potential implications to Regional Transport Committees and Road Controlling Authorities to carry out the proposed approach.

RT 20-10 **Moved** **Cameron/Wanden**

That the Committee recommends that Council:

a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-25 and Annex.

CARRIED

Mayor Tracey Collis joined the meeting at 11.07am.

CENTRAL GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION AND UPDATES

Report No 20-26

This report provided members with information on various documents and consultation items released by Central Government or due to be released. Ms Shirley (Senior Transport Planner) gave an overview of recent submissions and feedback made on behalf of Horizons Regional Council, and advised the draft Government Policy Statement was expected to be released in March 2020.

RT 20-11 **Moved** **Ferguson/Watson**

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- a. *receives the information contained in Report No. 20-26 and Annexes.*

CARRIED

REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT PLAN, 2021 DEVELOPMENT PROCESS AND TIMELINE

Report No 20-27

Ms Shirley (Senior Transport Planner) took Members through this report which provided an update on the planning process and timeline for the 2021 Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP). Ms Shirley highlighted the key steps involved in the RLTP development phase which would need advice and confirmation from the Committee in the next few months. Members' questions of clarification were answered and Members were encouraged to provide feedback to staff regarding key areas they would like included in the RLTP.

RT 20-12 **Moved** **Worboys/Smith**

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- a. *receives the information contained in Report No. 20-27.*
- b. *confirms proposed Regional Land Transport Plan timeline.*

CARRIED

APPROVED ORGANISATION QUARTERLY UPDATE

Report No 20-28

This report updated Members on significant regional roading, public transport, road safety and planning activities within the Horizons Regional Council region. Mayors and representatives of the local authorities in the region introduced their reports, highlighted activities of note, and responded to questions of clarification.

RT 20-13 **Moved** **Collis/Wanden**

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- a. *receives the information contained in Report No. 20-28 and Annex.*

CARRIED

NEW ZEALAND TRANSPORT AGENCY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Report No 20-29

Ms Speight (New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) spoke to a powerpoint presentation which provided Members with an update on the NZTA's regional and national activities, specifically the recent National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) information sessions with local Government, the proposed changes to the Investment Decision-Making Framework (IDMF), Arataki version 1, and the priority of the Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP). She also gave an overview on Mode Shift – Plans to grow the share of people walking, cycling and using public transport, the Road to Zero Action Plan (2020-2022), and covered regional updates. Ms Speight responded to Members' questions and comments.

RT 20-14

Moved

Collis/Cameron

That the Committee recommends that Council:

a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-29.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 12.17pm.

Confirmed.

GROUP MANAGER REGIONAL
SERVICES & INFORMATION

CHAIR