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Report to the Passenger Transport Committee By Tony Brennand, Manager Transport Policy

Findings of the Melling Rail Extension Study

1. **Purpose**

To inform the Committee regarding the findings of the Melling Rail Extension Study.

2. Background

The Regional Land Transport Strategy identified that there was some merit in investigating the extension of the Melling Line in to the Hutt CBD and through to the Waterloo Interchange.

A technical group was set up to oversee this study. The technical group included officers from Hutt City Council, Wellington Regional Council – Transport, Wellington Regional Council - Flood Protection, Transit New Zealand and Tranz Metro. The technical group engaged Sinclair Knight Merz Ltd to undertake the investigation.

3. **Comment**

A presentation by Sinclair Knight Merz Ltd on the investigation will be given to the Committee at its meeting.

4. **Recommendation**

That this report be received

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