Proposed Hutt Corridor Plan Public Consultation and Hearing Process

14 November 2002

1. Timelines

The key dates for the public consultation and hearing process are as follows:

(a)	Commencement of public consultation process, call for submissions advertised	25 October 2002
(b)	Submissions close	5:00 pm 20 December 2002
(c)	Hearing	10-14 February 2003
(d)	Reporting of findings of Hearing Subcommittee to agencies with a funding responsibility	March 2003
(e)	Report and recommendation to RLTC	April 2003
(f)	Adoption by Wellington Regional Council into the Regional Land Transport Strategy	May 2003

2. Makeup of the Hearing Subcommittee

Chairman – Cr G Evans (WRC) Cr J Baird (HCC), Cr K Barnard (UHCC), Cr R Shaw (PCC), Mr B Hasell (Transit), Cr I Hutchings (WCC)

3. Consultation

An advertisement will be placed in the Dominion Post, all Hutt and Upper Hutt local newspapers and relevant Wellington and Porirua local newspapers.

A letter outlining this process will be sent to agencies such as Hutt City Council, Upper Hutt City Council, Porirua City Council, Transit New Zealand, Wellington City Council and the Wairarapa Councils.

Presentation of the issues and proposals will be made to key agencies and key community groups.

4. Format of the Hearing

Five days have been scheduled for the hearing. The first 1½ to 2 days is allocated to the Hutt Corridor Technical Group which will present the case for the proposals outlined in the corridor plan. This will include the big picture, sequencing, funding, freight and packaging issues.

This will be followed by the hearing of submissions. A written initial response from the Technical Group to each submission will be made available 7 days prior to the hearing.

The Technical Group will then make a formal reply to submissions at the hearing.

5. Further Information

The following background information will be available on the Council website or in the library as hard copies:

- Hutt Corridor Study Stage 1 (Beca Carter Hollings & Ferner Ltd) March 2002
- Hutt Corridor Study Stage 2 (Beca Carter Hollings & Ferner Ltd) July 2002
- Hutt Corridor Study Stage 3 (Beca Carter Hollings & Ferner Ltd) October 2002
- Hutt Corridor Transport Study Economic Review (OPUS International Consultants) October 2002
- Hutt Corridor Transport Options Economic Evaluation of Stage 1 (OPUS International Consultants) April 2002
- Hutt Corridor Plan for the Transport Network Sustainability of Road Link Options (Envirosolutions) June 2002
- Presentation to the RLTC Key Issues (Transport Policy Department, WRC) February 2002
- Presentation to the RLTC Consideration of Options (Transport Policy Department, WRC) – August 2002