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Committee Passenger Transport Committee

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# Establishing Quality Partnership Agreements with Porirua City and Kapiti Coast District

## 1. Purpose

To establish Quality Partnership Agreements (QPA) with Porirua City and Kapiti Coast District.

## 2. Significance of Decision

The matters in this report do not trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

# 3. Background

At the 7 April 2005 Committee meeting it was agreed to approach Porirua City Council and the Kapiti Coast District Council to discuss the possibility of creating two new QPA's. A QPA is an informal document that provides for representatives of the parties named in the QPA to meet three or four times a year to discuss passenger transport issues relevant to the area covered by it. Membership of each QPA includes the Regional Council, any local authority in the area (eg Hutt Valley QPA has both Upper Hutt and Hutt City Councils) and all urban passenger operators that operate in the area. Each QPA can of course promote other organisations for membership through agreement by all current members.

The Chairperson of the Committee, Cr Glen Evans, and I have met Mayor Alan Milne of Kapiti Coast District Council and then Mayor Jenny Brash and CEO Roger Blakeley of Porirua City Council to discuss their Council's membership of a QPA.

### 4. Comment

Both Mayor Milne and Mayor Brash were enthusiastic about establishing a QPA for their areas. After discussion it was suggested that initially they would combine into one QPA for Porirua and the Kapiti Coast, but if this proved to be inefficient in some way two QPAs may need to be established.

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Mayor Brash pointed out that Transit could be included in the QPA for Porirua as state highways and access to, from and across were issues for passenger transport in the area. This could be a matter for the first meeting of this QPA to consider.

The QPAs for Wellington City and the Hutt Valley have the same founding document with obvious editorial changes to accommodate the different areas. The founding document for Porirua and the Kapiti Coast will be the same.

## 5. Communication

There is nothing to communicate until a QPA is established.

### 6. Recommendations

*That the Committee:* 

- 1. receive the report.
- 2. **invite** the Porirua City Council and Kapiti Coast District Council be invited to participate in a Quality Partnership Agreement for Porirua City and Kapiti Coast District.
- 3. **note** that the founding document for the Porirua City and Kapiti Coast Quality Partnership Agreement be the same as for Wellington City and the Hutt Valley with appropriate editorial changes.
- 4. **agree** that the Councils political representatives on the combined Porirua City and Kapiti Coast QPA be:
  - Cr Glen Evans
  - Cr Chris Turver
  - Cr Margaret Shields.

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