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Committee Regional Passenger Transport Plan Hearings
Subcommittee
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Recommended changes to the draft Passenger Transport Plan

1. Purpose

To recommend changes to the Draft Regional Passenger Transport Plan (the Plan) following consideration of submissions and revision of the Regional Land Transport Strategy (the Strategy).

2. Significance of the decision

The matters for decision 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

On 12 April 2007, the subcommittee received a report on submissions on the Plan following earlier consideration of written and oral submissions. The subcommittee met further on 15 May and 5 June.

On 1 June 2007, the Regional Land Transport Strategy Hearings Subcommittee agreed to changes to the draft Regional Land Transport Strategy and to recommend these to the Regional Land Transport Committee. It is our intention that the Plan's vision, objectives and policies be consistent with the Strategy.

4. Comment

The Plan, included as **Attachment 1**, has been changed following consideration of submissions and to ensure consistency with the revised Strategy. **Attachment 2** shows how the revised Plan policies relate to those of the Draft Plan.

The Plan has been split into two parts. The first is the Plan itself which provides a framework for the funding and provision of the passenger transport system. This is the focus of the meeting today.

The second is an Operational Plan containing detailed solutions and guidelines allowing the Plan to focus on providing a robust policy framework that is responsive to changes in community needs and operating conditions. The

Operational Plan will be updated on a regular basis to reflect current operational practice. It is not intended that the Operational Plan form part of the Regional Passenger Transport Plan in a statutory sense. The Operational Plan is under development and will be reported on at a later subcommittee meeting.

The Plan's vision, objectives and policies have been rewritten to provide a clear policy framework that is consistent with changes to the Strategy following feedback from submissions.

The Plan will be updated following this subcommittee meeting to incorporate members' comments. A final Plan and first Operational Plan will be brought to the next subcommittee meeting on 4 July 2007. It is anticipated that the committee will then recommend the Plan to the Passenger Transport Committee for adoption.

5. Communication

No communications are required

6. Recommendations

That the Committee:

1. ***Receives** the report.*
2. ***Notes** the content of the report.*
3. ***Agrees** in principal to the revised Passenger Transport Plan structure, noting this means a separate non-statutory Operational Plan that will provide detailed operational guidelines.*
3. ***Agrees** to the vision, objectives and policies set out in the revised Passenger Transport Plan.*
4. ***Notes** that officers will update and complete the Passenger Transport Plan, incorporating recommendations from this committee, and bring it back to the subcommittee on 4 July 2007 to be recommended to the Passenger Transport Committee.*

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Attachment 1: Revised Passenger Transport Plan

Attachment 2: Mapping of revised Plan policies to draft Plan policies