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Report on Regional Transport Committee 13 February 2013

1. Purpose

To inform the Council of the Regional Transport Committee meeting of 13 February 2013.

2. The decision-making process and significance

No decision is being sought in this report.

3. Reports

3.1 Progress report on major projects in the Regional Land Transport Programme 2012-15

The Committee discussed the current status and progress of the large new projects included and prioritised in the Regional Land Transport Programme 2012-15 (RLTP).

Following an amendment moved by Mayor Leggett, the Committee resolved that grade separation at the Basin Reserve should be advanced as soon as possible.

3.2 Wellington Public Transport Spine Study progress update

Luke Troy, Manager Corporate Planning, provided an update on progress. He advised that 88 options had now been reduced to a shortlist of four options – bus priority, bus rapid transit, light rail transit and an alternative route option, based on a route including the Golden Mile and various options south and east of the Basin Reserve.

It is expected that a final report will be presented to the Committee's meeting on 5 June 2013.

3.3 Regional cycle skills and scooter training

The Committee discussed funding from the Road Safety Trust for cycle skills training throughout schools in the Wellington region, and the achievements of the regional cycle skills programme brand 'Pedal Ready,' which was rolled out jointly by en Velo and the Council.

The targets for the Road Safety Trust funding focus on delivering cycle skills training to 180 adults, and Grade 2 training for 120 youth in the first year, and grade 2 training for 750 youth and 810 adults within three years.

The Committee also discussed the progress of the pilot scooter safety programme, which was introduced in October and November of 2012 in response to the growing number of children travelling to school by kick scooter. Proposed changes to the programme's content and format, which were inspired by feedback on the pilot programme, were outlined to the Committee. The programme is offered to approximately 1000 children in 2013; the places have been filled without the need for any advertising. An evaluation will be undertaken following the training to ascertain whether any change in travel mode results from the training.

4. Recommendations

That the Council:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*

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