



**Confirmed minutes of the Sustainable Transport Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 19 September 2018, in the Council Chamber, Greater Wellington Regional Council, Level 2, 15 Walter Street, Te Aro, Wellington at 9:30am**

**Present**

Councillors Donaldson (Chair), Blakeley, Brash, Gaylor, Kedgley, Laban, Laidlaw, Lamason, McKinnon, Ogden, Ponter, Staples, and Swain.

Marama Tuuta.

## **Public Business**

**1 Apologies**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2 Declarations of conflict of interest**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

**3 Public Participation**

Richard Wagstaff, President, New Zealand Council of Trade Unions, and Anne Reedy, bus driver and President, Tramways Union, presented a “Thank You Driver” petition to the Committee.

Marian Horan and Leah Maxwell gave a presentation to the Committee in relation to item 6 on the agenda, *Implementation of new Wellington bus network*.

Andrew McCauley, co-chair, Hataitai Residents’ Association, spoke to item 6 on the agenda, *Implementation of new Wellington bus network*.

Michael Gibson spoke to item 6 on the agenda, *Implementation of new Wellington bus network*.

Neal Swindells, Rector, St Patrick's College, Wellington, gave a presentation to the Committee in relation to item 6 on the agenda, *Implementation of new Wellington bus network*.

Chris Horne spoke to item 6 on the agenda, *Implementation of new Wellington bus network*.

Mike Mellor spoke to item 6 on the agenda, *Implementation of new Wellington bus network*.

Peter Kitchenman gave a presentation to the Committee in relation to item 6 on the agenda, *Implementation of new Wellington bus network*.

Kerry Wood spoke to item 6 on the agenda, *Implementation of new Wellington bus network*.

The Chair tabled a letter received from Margaret Lloyd dated 7 September 2018 regarding changes to Wellington buses.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:52pm and reconvened at 11:14am.

**4 Confirmation of the Public and Public Excluded minutes of 8 August 2018**

*Moved*

*(Cr Blakeley/ Cr Gaylor)*

*That the Committee confirms the Public minutes of the meeting of 8 August 2018, Report 18.332 and the Public Excluded minutes of the meeting of 8 August, Report PE18.333.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

**5 Action items from previous Sustainable Transport Committee meetings**

**Report 18.336**

File ref: CCAB-20-517

*Moved*

*(Cr Lamason/ Cr Staples)*

*That the Committee:*

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

The motion was **CARRIED**.

**6 Implementation of the new Wellington bus network**

Greg Campbell, Chief Executive, spoke to the report.

**Report 18.393**

File ref: CCAB-20-538

*Moved*

*(Cr Laidlaw/ Cr Ogden)*

*That the Committee:*

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*
- 3. Notes that overall service levels are improving but that the worst performing trips continue to provide negative experiences for customers.*
- 4. Notes that we are working closely with operators to identify and resolve issues in the fastest practical time.*
- 5. Endorses the actions taken or underway as outlined in the report including in particular:*
  - a. The deployment of additional capacity on key routes*
  - b. The routes prioritised for further consideration*
  - c. The establishment of the Public Transport Transition Programme Team*
  - d. The commissioning of an urgent independent review of the situation*
  - e. The changes that have been made and are planned for school services*
  - f. The re-prioritisation of the hospital hub to bring forward the completion date at the expense of delaying completion of the Courtenay Place hub*
- 6. Notes that questions and answers have been published on the Metlink website and that we will be issuing regular advisories on performance statistics, news and updates, and progress.*

*Moved as an amendment*

*(Cr Ponter/ Cr Staples)*

*That a new recommendation 7 be included:*

- 7. Invites the Chief Executive, Greater Wellington Regional Council, to report back to the next meeting of the Sustainable Transport Committee on:*
  - a. Options, timeframe and implications for route splitting the Route No 2 to provide direct off-peak services from Strathmore Park and Miramar North to the CBD;*
  - b. Options and timeframe for putting in place morning and evening peak hour services for Route 23 between Mornington/Vogelton and the Golden Mile;*
  - c. Options for extending the No 23e (to service the Zoo off-peak);*

- d. *The potential to join the No 12/20/21 services; the No 20/21 services; and/or the No 14/12 services across the City; and*
- e. *The process and timetable for identifying route and service options changes for Churton Park.*

The amendment was **CARRIED**.

*Moved as an amendment*

*(Cr Kedgley/ Cr Laban)*

*That a new recommendation 8 be included:*

- 8. *Requests as soon as possible, the Chief Executive, Greater Wellington Regional Council:*
  - a. *Reinstates the No 14 Service, to start at the Kilbirnie Hub, rather than Hataitai;*
  - b. *Includes services for the 18E extension, in the period between 6 and 8pm.*

The amendment was **CARRIED**.

*Moved as an amendment*

*(Cr McKinnon/ Cr Gaylor)*

*That a new recommendation 9 be included:*

- 9. a. *Requests the Chief Executive, Greater Wellington Regional Council to report to the next meeting of the Sustainable Transport Committee on any changes required to timetables and/or operator performance to ensure that passengers should not have to wait, on average, more than five minutes to make timetabled connection to another bus at a bus hub.*
- b. *Invites the Chief Executive, Greater Wellington Regional Council, to initiate a work programme with the Wellington City Council, potentially as part of the Let's Get Welly Moving Programme, to identify, confirm and progress:*
  - i. *Further bus priority lanes;*
  - ii. *Further instigation of bus priority at traffic lights on core routes;*
  - iii. *Appropriate measures to better facilitate bus manoeuvring.*

The amendment was **CARRIED**.

*Moved as an amendment*

*(Cr Swain/ Cr Brash)*

*That a new recommendation 10 be included:*

- 10. *Requests the Chief Executive, Greater Wellington Regional Council to work with bus operators to reinstate seating on high capacity buses that are in use as interim and permanent buses.*

The amendment was **CARRIED**.

*Moved as an amendment*

*(Cr Blakeley/ Cr Lamason)*

*That a new recommendation, to be additions to part 10 of the substantive motion be included:*

*10. Requests the Chief Executive, Greater Wellington Regional Council:*

- b. To include daily information on route performance, from Real Time Information feeds, on the Metlink website, on a route by route basis.*
- c. To ensure that the independent review of the new Wellington Network is delivered as a final report to the December meeting of the Full Council, if not earlier.*

The amendment was **CARRIED**.

The substantive motion was put:

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- 6. Notes that questions and answers have been published on the Metlink website and that we will be issuing regular advisories on performance statistics, news and updates, and progress.*

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The substantive motion was **CARRIED**.

**7 Levin to Waikanae trial service - review**

**Report 18.147**

File ref: CCAB-20-540

*Moved*

*(Cr Gaylor/ Cr Ponter)*

*That the Committee:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*
3. *Agrees with the Horizons' proposal to retender the service for additional three year period commencing from March 2019.*
4. *Endorses:*
  - a. *The continuation of funding for the Levin - Waikanae trial bus service for a three year period commencing from March 2019*
  - b. *The timetable being amended to allow connection with the rail services departing Waikanae Station at 10:00am and arriving at Waikanae Station at 2.53pm*
  - c. *The retention of the existing compulsory stop at Otaki*
  - d. *The retention of existing fares and concessions on the continued trial service*
  - e. *The retention of, as appropriate, existing arrangements for administration of funding and contract management for the trial service.*
5. *Authorises officers to amend and endorse, as necessary, the existing terms of the trial service in collaboration with Horizons.*
6. *Notes that the funding for the continued service will be drawn from within existing budget lines and will be included in the budget for the years 2019/2020 and 2020/2021.*
7. *Notes that funding required for continuation of trial service is subject to approval by NZ Transport Agency.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

**8 General Manager's report to the Sustainable Transport Committee meeting**

**Report 18.236**

File ref: CCAB-20-526

*Moved*

*(Cr Gaylor/ Cr Laidlaw)*

*That the Committee:*

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*
- 3. Endorses the actions taken by officers for matters set out in this Report.*

The motion was **CARRIED**.

The meeting closed at 1:35pm

B Donaldson  
(Chair)

Date: