

# Minutes of the Regional Transport Committee meeting

Held on 28 November 2023 from 9.30am to 9.50pm, at Auckland Transport, 20 Viaduct Harbour (1.04) | MS Teams

| Committee   | Mark Darrow (Chair), Raveen Jaduram, Henare Clark, Councillor |               |
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| Members:    | Andrew Baker, Councillor Chris Darby, Gwyneth McLeod          |               |
|             | (KiwiRail)  |               |
| Executive   | Dean Kimpton (Chief Executive)                                | Items 1 - end |
| Leadership: | Jenny Chetwynd (EGM Planning & Investment)                    | Items 1 - end |
|             | Mark Laing (EGM Finance)                                      | Items 1 - end |
|             | Andrew Downie (Governance Lead)                               | Items 1 - end |
|             |   |               |
| Management  | Dan Marsh (RLTP Project Manager)                              | Items 1 - end |
| Attendees:  | Hamish Bunn (GM Investment, Planning & Policy)                | Items 1 - end |
|             | Tony Parish (Investment Management Lead)                      | Items 1 - end |
|             | Kieran Burns (Committee Secretary)                            | Items 1 - end |
|             | Liza Hayes (Board Secretariat)                                | Items 1 - end |
| Apologies:  | Nicole Rosie, Wayne Donnelly                                  |               |

| Item    | Topic   |
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| Opening |   |
| 1.      | Welcome/Acknowledgements                        |
|         | The Chair welcomed participants to the meeting. |
| 2.      | Opening Karakia                                 |
|         | The Chair led the opening karakia.              |
| 3.      | Apologies                                       |
|         | Nicole Rosie and Wayne Donnelly.                |
| 4.      | Interest Register - Declarations/Conflicts      |
|         | There were no interests or conflicts noted.     |
| 5.      | Approval of Draft Minutes – 12 September 2023   |
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The Regional Transport Committee (committee) approved the minutes from the meeting held on 12 September 2023.

Moved: Mark Darrow, Seconded: Raveen Jaduram. Carried.

### **Items for Noting**

## 6. Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP) process update

Mr Bunn introduced the report.

Mr Bunn noted that a key challenge for the RLTP process is the timing and expected date of completion. Mr Bunn noted that while completion of the RLTP is scheduled for mid-June 2024, this appears increasingly unlikely given the delayed completion of the Government Policy Statement on Land Transport (GPS) and funding uncertainty in the political landscape.

Mr Bunn noted that AT has been carrying out significant stakeholder engagement regarding the development of the RLTP, including meeting with all 21 local boards and engaging in workshops with other interested partners such as iwi and mana whenua.

Mr Bunn noted that Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency (Waka Kotahi) has drafted a 10-year programme option which is currently awaiting government direction and will require approximately \$15b in funding. He noted that the funding sources for the programme have not been agreed.

Mr Bunn also noted that KiwiRail has created a draft RLTP implementation programme, which would require \$6.7b in funding. He noted that, when considered with the Waka Kotahi programme, the proposed combined 10-year capital and operating programme requires approximately \$50b in funding.



The Chair noted that management should seek an extension regarding for drafting the RLTP due to delays caused by the political and funding environment.

The Chair queried management about the governance procedures and consultation requirements regarding the drafting and formulation of the RLTP. Mr Bunn advised that the RLTP is initially prepared by management and then endorsed by the committee before the Auckland Transport Board (board) provides the final approval. He noted that Auckland Council (AC) wishes to endorse the RLTP, which is a not a statutory requirement but has been requested as part of the shareholder feedback on the Statement of Intent and was a recommendation in the Review of Council Controlled Organisations. He noted that the current plan is for the Transport Infrastructure Committee to endorse the RLTP before it comes to the board for approval, which provides a mechanism for AC to provide feedback on the RLTP. The Chair advised that management should ensure that it is confident on the specifics of the governance requirements, especially if AC is acting outside of a statutory role.

#### Action item:

 2023Nov01: management to review the governance and consultation requirements for the Regional Land Transport Plan and report back to the committee.

### The committee:

a) Noted the Regional Land Transport Plan process update.

Moved: Mark Darrow, Seconded: Raveen Jaduram. Carried.

Next meeting: To be confirmed

Approved by the committee as a true reflection of the meeting proceedings.

Mark Darrow

Acting Committee Chair

