

MINUTES

SUBJECT	AUCKLAND TRANSPORT BOARD MEETING
VENUE	Waitemata Room, Level 2 Civic Building, 6 Henderson Valley Road, Henderson
DATE	Wednesday 27 April 2011
TIME	9.00am
STATUS	Open Session

1.	<p>Present:</p> <p>Mark Ford (Chair) Pip Dunphy Paul Lockey Mike Williams Ian Parton Geoff Dangerfield Christine Fletcher Mike Lee Rabin Rabindran</p>	<p>In Attendance:</p> <p>David Warburton Dave Foster Andy Finch (For Kevin Doherty) Murray Noone (For Fergus Gammie) Peter Clark Simon Harvey Stephen Rainbow Wally Thomas Claire Stewart Allen Bufton Colin Homan 2 members of Public and Press in attendance</p>
2.	<p>Apologies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fergus Gammie, Kevin Doherty 	
3.	<p>Declaration of Interest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A new declaration was received from Rabin Rabindran after the agenda had been sent. It will be included in the May Board papers. Rabin Rabindran is peer reviewer for Rapid Broadband and will leave the for the discussion Mike Williams noted that he is the CEO of the Methamphetamine Trust Mike Lee is a Member of Council 	
4.	<p>Late Items for General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No items 	
5.	<p>Approval of Minutes</p> <p><i>Resolution:</i> <i>That the minutes be adopted.</i> (Pip Dunphy / Ian Parton)</p>	
6.	<p>Matters Arising not on Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None raised 	
7.	<p>Chief Executive Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chief Executive spoke to his report It was noted that the customer communication volumes are higher than planned. Management will update the Board on how they will respond to that increase. The Board requested that a report on the RWC Traffic Management plan be provided 	
8.	<p>Financial Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CFO spoke to the Financial Report In response to a question on whether Capital spending will catch up with budget, the current forecast is to be below the capital spending levels by approximately \$100m. The subsidy from NZTA is likely to remain in place as NZTA work on a three year window, and Auckland Council funding is also likely to carry forward. 	

	<p>Business Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The relevant managers spoke to their reports • The HR Manager advised that AT will apply for ACC tertiary standing in one year. He undertook to provide more information on Accidents to the Board. Auckland Transport will look to use the ARTA template for reporting these. • Murray Noone spoke to the Operations report and he noted the interest in the HOP website. He also noted the work on route optimisation and the 50% reduction in crashes around schools. An update was provided on the roading network following on from the storm on Easter Monday, no major damage will be covered from normal storm provisions. Some slips occurred around the North Shore and Waitakere but it was a minor event in the overall scheme of things. The Board requested a more detailed report on Traffic optimisation, and would like to see some real progress on this initiative. In response to a question on Rail rolling stock availability, four carriages were held in reserve, these have now been deployed. A further question of how long before patronage levels will trigger a requirement for more rolling stock; staff advised they are working on what they can do before the EMU's start to arrive in 2013. Some options are available and a report will come back to the Board. • The CFO spoke to his report. The Draft Procurement Strategy is to be taken to the Finance and Risk Committee. The CFO has undertaken to follow up on what, if anything has come out from the Property Inventory to expand the Albany and Constellation Drive Park and Ride. • Andy Finch spoke to the Infrastructure report. It was noted that the Infrastructure Unit has moved from transitional issues to a more mature project management phase. The Board noted with concern the funding of capital works under 4.2 of the report. AMETI is now underway. A Board member asked if an alliance contract has been considered for AMETI and was advised that this has been considered and a report will be bought back on procurement for AMETI. <p>9.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Communications and Public Affairs Manager spoke to his report. The interest in HOP was noted, with the website having received 15,000 views. The media coverage remains high with 88% of coverage being positive or neutral. Any unfavourable coverage tends to go through the blogs. In response to a question of follow on for AMETI, it was noted that the work on this was progressing with the Key Relationship Manager. • The Key Relationships Manager spoke to his report. Supporting the "Mayor in the Chair" has commenced. In response to a question on liaising with the independent Maori Advisory Board it was stated that the Key Relationships team were working with NZTA and Auckland Council to ensure this consultation is aligned. A Board member noted the HR resource requirements of supporting the five statutory plans. The CE responded that it is an issue and that managing the communications and relationships is a big demand, but that we also need balance between communications and getting things done. AT will need to be discerning in what meetings are attended and that attendance needs to be at a high level. The funding and resource issue is a constraint; it is harder to get approval for more resource to support the Key Relationship management. A report on resourcing the Key Relationships Unit will be bought back to the Board. A Board member stated AT should get some input into the region wide newsletter to cover AT role in some of those issues. • The Strategy and Planning Manager spoke to his report. The following was noted : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ South West to Airport Transport Study progress is on track ○ AT input into Draft Spatial plan ○ The Central City Master plan has a number of significant implications on the transport network. ○ Regional Land Transport programme which is a responsibility for AT to prepare. A report on Government Policy Statement will come to the May Board meeting, the GPS will be circulated to Board members.
<p>10.</p>	<p>Special topics</p> <p>i). <u>Vehicle Dimensions and Mass Amendment 2010</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andy Finch spoke to the report which covered progress on the implications of allowing heavier vehicles on the network. Some bridges will require strengthening (three) but at this stage the maintenance requirement is not expected to be impacted. The Board noted the imposition of costs to AT from a public policy rule change. <p><i>Resolution:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) <i>The Report has been received by the Board</i> 2) <i>The Board notes the restrictions that will need to be replaced on some HPMV routes until bridge strengthening work is undertaken.</i>

	<p>3) <i>The Board notes the potential increased routine maintenance and renewal costs associated with the HPMV routes.</i></p> <p>4) <i>The Board endorses the inclusion of bridge strengthening projects into the AT project portfolio for prioritisation.</i> (Mark Ford /Mike Williams)</p> <p>❖ <i>Mike Lee recorded his vote against resolution 4</i></p> <p>ii). <u>Auckland Transport Asset Management and Levels of Service</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andy Finch (Acting CIO) spoke to the report, which seeks endorsement of the framework for Asset Management planning and the Service Level Framework. <p><u>Resolution:</u></p> <p>1) <i>The Board notes the contents of this report</i></p> <p>2) <i>The Board endorses the Auckland Transport Asset Management Framework and the Levels of Service Framework.</i> (Rabin Rabindran / Mike Lee)</p> <p>iii). <u>Annual Plan</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CFO spoke to the report and noted the concern on funding levels going in to AT. As a single year the reduction in spending will not cause a major problem, but in the long run reductions at these levels will cause problems for a service which is recognised as being underfunded. A progress report on the Annual Plan was requested for the next meeting. The Board noted that AT needs to examine other funding mechanisms.
11.	<p>General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
12.	<p>Meeting closed at 10.48am to the public</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting proposed start 9.00am Wednesday 18 May 2011