

Minutes of the Regional Transport Committee meeting

Held on 18 March 2024 from 9.00am to 9.50pm, at Auckland Transport, 20 Viaduct Harbour (1.04) | MS Teams

Committee	Richard Leggat (Chair), Mark Darrow, Raveen Jaduram, Henare		
Members:	Clark, Councillor Andrew Baker, Councillor Chris Darby, Gwynet		
	McLeod (KiwiRail)		
Executive	Dean Kimpton (Chief Executive)	Items 1- end	
Leadership:	Scott Campbell (Director Strategy & Governance)	Items 1 - end	
Management	Dan Marsh (RLTP Project Manager)	Items 1 - end	
Attendees:	Hamish Bunn (GM Transport System Strategy &	Items 1 - end	
	Policy)		
	Andrew Downie (Head of Governance)	Items 1 - end	
	Kieran Burns (Committee Secretary)	Items 1 - end	
Other	Steve Mutton (Director, Regional Relationships,	Items 1 - end	
Attendees	New Zealand Transport Agency Waka Kotahi)		
Apologies:	Nicole Rosie		

Item	Topic
Opening	
1.	Welcome/Acknowledgements
	The Chair welcomed participants to the meeting.
2.	Opening Karakia
	The Chair led the opening karakia.
3.	Apologies
	Nicole Rosie.
4.	Interest Register - Declarations/Conflicts
	There were no interests or conflicts noted.
5.	Approval of Draft Minutes – 13 February 2024

	The Regional Transport Committee (committee) approved the minutes from the meeting held on 13 February 2024.	
	Moved: Richard Leggat, Seconded: Raveen Jaduram. Carried.	
	The Chair noted that future minutes will be anonymised and more concise.	
6.	Action Register	
	2023Nov01: the Chair advised that this action had been completed and could be removed from the register.	
Items for Approval		

7. Regional Land Transport Plan 2024 (RLTP): final regional priorities, ranking process and proposed significance policy

It was noted that management are in the process of developing a set of criteria against which the regional programme can be ranked and prioritised. Management outlined that the criteria will reflect strategic priorities from both Auckland Council and the Government.

The committee discussed how management should balance the conflicting priorities between Auckland Council and the Government. Management advised that this is a balancing act that requires taking a relatively objective view to the directions that have been provided by Auckland Council and the Government.

Other observations from the committee included:

 That decongestion and reducing journey times should be included within the Regional Priority Criteria. Management noted that reducing travel time and decongestion can be added into the sub-criteria for 'supporting regional growth & economic productivity'.



- That decarbonisation has been set out as a key strategic objective by Auckland Council under the Letter of Expectation and should be weighted accordingly.
- That management should run a sensitivity analysis to ascertain the preferred individual weightings for the sub-criteria.
- That the criteria has been developed with input from a multiagency working group. Management noted that the working group is formed by members from Auckland Council's Transport Strategy team, New Zealand Transport Agency Waka Kotahi's System Design team, as well as representatives from KiwiRail and Auckland Transport.
- That the reference to greenfield development in the sub-criteria for regional growth does not reflect Auckland Council's direction in the Letter of Expectation and should be amended.

The committee queried the difference between discretionary and non-discretionary projects. Management noted that projects are assessed as non-discretionary where the project is committed and agreed, has critical dependency, high level of urgency, high level of importance and / or is funded outside of the National Land Transport Fund (NLTF).

The committee:

- a) endorsed the recommended approach for ranking RLTP projects
- b) agreed the specific assessment criteria under "Regional Priorities" and "Primary Investment Attributes / Value for Money" that will be used as the specific criteria for ranking.

Moved: Richard Leggat, Seconded: Mark Darrow. Carried.

General

8. Closing Karakia

The Chair led the closing karakia.

Next meeting: 26 March 2024

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

Richard Leggat Committee Chair

