

NORTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL REGIONAL TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held in the Council Chamber,
36 Water Street, Whāngārei, on Wednesday 07 October 2015
commencing at 10 am

Present:

Northland Regional Council

Cr J Bain, Chairman

Cr P Dimery (left meeting 11:35am, returned 11:42am)

Kaipara District Council

Mr P Winder

Far North District Council

Cr A Court

Whangarei District Council

Cr G Martin

New Zealand Transport Agency

Mr E Zöllner

In Attendance:

Full Meeting

NRC Transport Manager – Chris Powell

NRC Infrastructure Manager – Graham Nielsen

WDC Roading Manager – Jeff Devine

KDC Roading Manager – Henri Van Zyl

NZTA Safety and Network Performance Manager – Tim Crow

NZTA Principal Transport Planner – Jim Sephton

NRC RTC Secretary – Christine Niblock

NRC Council Secretary – Chris Taylor

Part Meeting

NZTA Communications Manager – Rachel Blundell

NZTA Principal Project Manager – Tom Newsome

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 10:01 am

Apologies (Item 1.0)

There were no apologies

Declaration of Conflicts of Interest (Item 2.0)

The Chairman invited members to make declarations item-by-item as the meeting progressed. There were no declarations of conflict at this point.

**Supplementary Item for the Regional Transport Committee –
7 October 2015 (Item 2.0A)**

ID: A786862

Report from Governance Support Manager Chris Taylor

Moved (Martin/Winder)

That as permitted under section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 the supplementary information and amended recommendations pertaining to item 5.4 be received.

Carried

Confirmation of Minutes – 3 June 2015 (Item 3.1)

ID: A778530

Report from Regional Transport Committee Secretary Christine Niblock

Moved (Zöllner/Winder)

That the minutes of the Regional Transport Committee meeting held on 3 June 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Carried

Confirmation of Minutes – 12 August 2015 (Item 3.2)

ID: A780615

Report from Regional Transport Committee Secretary Christine Niblock

Moved (Court/Winder)

That the agenda and minutes pertaining to the Regional Transport Committee meeting held on 12 August 2015 be noted.

Carried

Secretarial Note: Item 4.2 was addressed prior to Item 4.1

**The 2015-2018 National Land Transport Programme – Northland
(Item 4.1)**

ID: A778535

Report from Transport Manager Chris Powell

Moved (Martin/Winder)

That the report by Chris Powell, Transport Manager, entitled 'The 2015–2018 National Land Transport Programme for Northland', dated 29 July 2015, be received.

Carried

ID: A786688

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Regional Land Transport Programme 2012-2015 – Funding Uptake (Item 4.2)

ID: A778537

Report from Transport Manager Chris Powell

Moved (Bain/Dimery)

That the report, 'Northland Regional Land Transport Programme 2012–2015 – Funding Uptake' by Chris Powell, Transport Manager, dated 29 July 2015, be received.

Carried

Regional Land Transport Programme 2015-2021 – Funding Uptake (Item 4.3)

ID: A778145

Report from Transport Manager Chris Powell

Moved (Winder/Court)

That the report, 'Northland Regional Land Transport Programme 2015–2021 – Funding Uptake' by Chris Powell, Transport Manager, dated 10 September 2015, be received.

Carried

Regional Road Safety Update (Item 4.4)

ID: A781870

Report from Transport Projects Officer Ian Crayton-Brown

Moved (Bain/Court)

That the report 'Regional Road Safety Update' by Ian Crayton-Brown, Transport Projects Officer, dated 22 September 2015, be received.

Carried

Auckland to Whāngārei – Briefing on the Pūhoi to Warkworth and North Shore State Highway Improvements (Item 4.5)

ID: A781051

Report from Transport Manager Chris Powell

Moved (Bain/Dimery)

That the report "Auckland to Whangarei – Briefing on the Pūhoi to Warkworth and North Shore State Highway Improvements" by Chris Powell, Transport Manager, dated 21 September, be received.

Carried

Matters arising from Item 4.5:

NZTA Principal Transport Planner, Jim Sephton provided the presentation 'Connecting Northland', an update on the Auckland to Whāngārei corridor, summarising the following key points:

- Initial review completed, next step is a formal business case.
- Current projects include:-
 - Loop Road North (Projected start date end 2017)
 - Springfield to Mata
 - Warkworth to Wellsford RoNS
 - Pūhoi to Warkworth PPP
 - Additional Watemata Harbour Crossing
 - Additional Western Ring Route projects
- Key elements
- Goals
 - Connecting Northland to Auckland and the Upper North Island
 - Support and encourage economic growth of the North
 - Improve safety, reliability and resilience of the State Highway
- Key Facts
- Progress to date
- Pūhoi to Warkworth designation (fly through)
- Public Private Partnerships (PPP) and PPP Structure
- Key outcomes
 - Safety
 - Predictable journeys
 - Transport agency's reputation
 - High quality asset
- Shortlisted consortia
 - Northlink
 - Northern Express Group
 - Pacific Connect
- Procurement Dates (Target date for PPP contract to be awarded October 2016)

Secretarial note: NZTA Principal Project Manager – Tom Newsome and NZTA Communications Manager Rachel Blundell left at 11:26pm.

Te Hapua Road and Kimberly Road (Item 5.1)

ID: A781051

Report from Chairman, Regional Transport Committee, John Bain

Moved (Bain/Court)

1. That the presentation by Councillor John Bain, Chairman Regional Land Transport Committee, on 'Te Hapua Road and Kimberly Road' be received.
2. That as Te Hapua Road falls under the jurisdiction of the Far North District Council, this matter be forwarded to the Far North District Council for their action.
3. That as Kimberly Road falls under the jurisdiction of the Far North District Council, this matter be forwarded to the Far North District Council for their action.

Carried

The New National Speed Management Guide and Proposed Implementation Plan (Item 5.2)

ID: A78542

Report from Regional Road Safety Advisor Auckland and Northland, NZ Transport Agency, Trish Rudolph

Moved (Court/Martin)

1. That the report 'The New National Speed Management Guide and Proposed Implementation Plan' by Trish Rudolph, Regional Road Safety Advisor Auckland and Northland, New Zealand Transport Agency, dated 29 July 2015, be received.
2. That the Regional Transport Committee approves the request to delay proactive and network-wide speed management (including limit) reviews while the Waikato demonstration project runs over the next 12-15 months.

Carried

Proposal for a Working Group to Compile a Regional Rest Stop Strategy (Item 5.3)

ID: A78545

Report from Transport Manager Chris Powell

Moved (Bain/Dimery)

1. That the report 'Proposal for a Working Group to Compile a Regional Rest Stop Strategy' by Chris Powell, Transport Manager, and dated 7 August 2015, be received.
2. That the Regional Transport Committee approve that the NZTA be requested to compile the proposed strategy.

Carried

Regional Transport Committee Membership – Amendment to Terms of Reference (Item 5.4 and Supplementary Item 5.4)

ID: A778280 and A786872

Report from Transport Manager Chris Powell and Governance Support Manager Chris Taylor

Moved (Winder/Court)

1. That the report, 'Regional Transport Committee Membership – Amendment to Terms of Reference' by Chris Powell, Transport Manager, dated 10 September 2015, be received.
2. That the Regional Transport Committee note the additional advice regarding appointing Alternate Members to the Regional Transport Committee.

3. That Far North District Council, Whangarei District Council, Kaipara District Council, Northland Regional Council, and the New Zealand Transport Agency each be requested to nominate Alternate Members to represent their organisation in the event that their principal representative is unavailable.

4. That the Northland Regional Council be requested to appoint these nominees as Alternate Members to the Regional Transport Committee.

5. That the Northland Regional Council be requested to make the necessary amendments to the Terms of Reference for the Regional Transport Committee to give effect to these appointments.

Carried

Secretarial note: An amended suite of recommendations were included in the supplementary item to replace those in the original agenda.

CONCLUSION

The meeting concluded at 12:00pm