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Report to the Regional Land Transport Committee
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Telework Investigation - Infrastructure and Telecommunications Audit

1. Purpose

To update the Committee on the Telework Investigation Project being conducted by the Transport Policy Department.

2. Background

Teleworking is being investigated as a travel-demand-management measure (Report 00.430).

Previous reports have considered:

- Employers' understandings and perspectives about telework (Report 00.654)
- Traffic implications of known trials and case studies (Report 00.832)
- Infrastructure and Telecommunications Audit (Report 01.216).

3. Latest Report: *Towards an Action Plan*

The latest report includes:

- Conclusions from the previous phases
- A programme of proposed actions (including a methodology for measuring the success of those actions)
- An integrated action plan.

Attachment 1 is the section from the latest report that sets out the programme of proposed actions. The full report (WRC/TP-T-01/15) can be viewed in the library or copies obtained from information services.

4. **Reports Audited in Preparation for ATR Funding Application**

The culmination of Wellington Regional Council's (WRC's) Telework investigation is to deliver an Alternatives-to-Roading (ATR) funding application. Final payment of Transfund New Zealand's (Transfund's) financial assistance towards this investigation is *conditional on the development of a firm ATR proposal for the implementation of teleworking in the Wellington region.*

An independent consultant has audited the reports from this investigation to determine whether or not they contain the specific information required for an ATR funding application.

5. **Discussions with Transfund to Shape ATR Proposal**

WRC officers and the Telework researcher have used the programme of proposed actions to identify options for an ATR proposal. It appears unlikely that funding can be secured for the entire programme. WRC officers are currently discussing options for proposals with Transfund. Once a promising option is identified, an ATR proposal will be prepared. Depending on the nature of the funding application, the Telework researcher may be asked to provide further supporting information.

6. **Timeframe for Lodging a Proposal with Transfund**

An application to Transfund to fund a telework implementation project will be made by early August 2001, unless significant extra data collection is required to support the application.

7. **Communication**

There are no relevant matters to communicate.

8. **Recommendation**

That the report be received.

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Attachment 1: A Programme of Proposed Actions