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Report to the Regional Land Transport Committee
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Corridor Plan Process

1. Purpose

To provide a process that meets the technical and statutory requirements of developing a corridor plan.

2. Background

Corridor plans are an essential part of the Wellington Regional Land Transport Strategy. The corridor plans, together with the strategy's policies, state the best means of achieving the strategy's objectives. This ensures section 175(2) of the Land Transport Act is complied with.

The inclusion of a corridor plan in the Regional Land Transport Strategy is an amendment to that strategy. This requires that a process be developed to ensure that both technical and statutory requirements are met.

3. Comment

In order to meet both the technical and statutory requirements of including a corridor plan in the Regional Land Transport Strategy it is proposed that the following processes be followed:

3.1 Technical Process

- 3.1.1 a sub committee of the Technical Group be set up containing representatives of Transit New Zealand, Transfund New Zealand, Wellington Regional Council, and relevant territorial authorities;
- 3.1.2 the sub committee be chaired by a representative from a relevant territorial authority;
- 3.1.3 the sub committee applies a robust methodology to identify the best means of achieving the objectives of the strategy;

3.1.4 the sub committee reports its findings to the RLTC.

3.2 **Statutory Process**

3.2.1 the RLTC receives recommendations from the Technical Group on the preferred corridor plan;

3.2.2 the RLTC adopts a preferred draft corridor plan;

3.2.3 Transit New Zealand and the relevant territorial authorities are briefed on the proposals for the corridor plan and input sought from these agencies;

3.2.4 the RLTC invites the relevant territorial authorities to lead the consultation process;

3.2.5 a consultation process that meets statutory requirements and the particular needs of all the relevant agencies is activated;

3.2.6 the RLTC resolves to receive submissions and conduct hearings on submissions received by the lead agencies;

3.2.7 the hearing sub committee is constituted and made up of:

- (a) territorial authority representatives – one from each of the relevant territorial authorities who are members of the RLTC or their nominee
- (b) a Transit New Zealand representative
- (c) the RLTC chairman or his nominee.

3.2.8 the hearing sub committee recommends to the RLTC a preferred corridor plan;

3.2.9 the RLTC recommends a preferred corridor plan to Council;

3.2.10 the corridor plan is adopted as part of the RLTS by Council.

4. **Communications**

There are no relevant matters.

5. **Recommendations**

That the technical process and statutory process proposed in section 3 of this report be adopted.

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