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## Access Planning Manager's Report – Work in Progress

### 1. Purpose

To update the Committee on work in progress and recommend locations for the remaining regular meetings of the Committee during 2003.

### 2. Comment

#### 2.1 Reorganisation

On 1 January 2003 a new organisational structure was established. The Access Planning Department has replaced the previous Transport Policy Department. Significant staff changes have occurred and two senior positions are currently vacant. Recruitment for these positions is proving difficult and it is anticipated that the department will be under staffed for some months.

#### 2.2 Future Committee Meetings

When establishing the Regional Land Transport Committee the Council agreed that meetings of the Committee should be held at venues around the region. Following enquiries with the constituent local authorities the following programme for regular meetings is recommended. The special meeting of the Committee on 27 March to consider the prioritisation of projects is to be held at Greater Wellington.

<b>Meeting Date</b>	<b>Location</b>
29 May 2003	Porirua City Council
21 August 2003	Upper Hutt City Council
13 November 2003	Kapiti Coast District Council

### 2.3 Hutt Corridor Plan

The hearing of submissions in February was postponed to avoid confusion with the debate on state highway funding priorities. New hearing dates have been set for 7 and 9 to 11 April 2003.

### 2.4 Regional Cycling Strategy

Objectives for the strategy are being finalised. It is expected that a draft strategy will be ready for consideration by the Committee at the 29 May meeting.

### 2.5 Regional Road Safety Strategy

Following the receipt of submissions and further consideration by officers, the format of this strategy is to be reviewed. It is expected that a redrafted strategy will be ready for consideration by the Committee at the 21 August meeting.

### 2.6 Regional Pedestrian Strategy

Following the receipt of submissions and further consideration by officers, the format of this strategy is to be reviewed. It is expected that a redrafted strategy will be ready for consideration by the Committee at its 21 August meeting.

### 2.7 Transport Model Upgrade

Development of the model is continuing generally in accordance with the programme. The new model is expected to be available in May 2003.

### 2.8 Road Pricing Investigation

A telephone survey of 1000 residents was conducted in late 2002 to gauge attitudes toward the concept of road pricing. A report on the results of this research will be prepared for the 29 May meeting.

### 2.9 Telework Kapiti

Development of a marketing campaign is proceeding with promotion expected to begin in April 2003.

### 2.10 Road Safety Week

Road safety week aims to promote pedestrian safety using a theme of red and green people. The promotion runs from 10 to 15 March and involves activities in Kapiti, Hutt Valley, Porirua and Wellington.

### 2.11 Smokey Vehicles

At the last Regional Land Transport Committee meeting Councillor Evans asked for advice about what the Police do about enforcement of smokey vehicles. A response from the New Zealand Police is attached (**attachment 1**).

## 3. Communications

There is nothing to communicate.

#### **4. Recommendation**

*That the committee agrees to hold its remaining regular meetings for 2003 in the following locations:*

<i>Meeting Date</i>	<i>Location</i>
<i>29 May 2003</i>	<i>Porirua City Council</i>
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#### **Attachment**

1. Letter from New Zealand Police about smokey vehicles