



MINUTES

SUBJECT **QPA Meeting**

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WHEN 7 May 2003 at 2:00 pm

WHERE Stagecoach Wellington, Allen Street, Wellington

PRESENT Cr Chris Turver Greater Wellington
 Cr Terry McDavitt
 Dave Watson
 Anthony Cross
 Carolyn Lefebvre

 Nigel Piper Stagecoach Wellington
 Ian Turner
 Darryl Bellamy

 Kerry Waddell Mana Coach Services

 Cr Andy Foster Wellington City Council
 Cr Ian Hutchings
 Stephen Harte
 Cliff Naude

1. **Integrated ticketing**

Greater Wellington stated that a review of the regional fare structure had been started. Operators had met Greater Wellington and next stage was workshop with GWRC Councillors on Monday 19 May. Hope to introduce changes to fare structure in October 2003. Will include greater use of multi trip passes.

[Note – Issue of discounts on school bus needs consideration)

2. **Basin Reserve**

Transit has a project ready to go.

ACTION: WCC TO PROVIDE STAGECOACH WITH PLANS TO TRANSIT PROPOSAL

3. **Bus priority schemes**

WCC full Council meeting referred Dixon/Manners Street bus improvements back to Committee. This is likely to be considered again by Committee in one or two months with

high likelihood of a successful outcome. Bus advance traffic signalling, which is a separate project, will await outcome of this reconsideration.

Other bus only lanes being considered are on Adelaide Road extension and Glenmore Street. Problem with siting of overhead on Karori bus lane, it is slowing trolley buses.

ACTION: IDEAS ON POSSIBLE OTHER SCHEMS TO BE SUBMITTED TO STEPHEN HARTE.
WCC TO APPROACH GW TO ASSIST WITH FUNDING OF KARORI OVERHEAD RESITING.

4. **Real time information**

Funding is in Greater Wellington LTCCP.

5. **Shelters**

Stephen Harte has managed to gain Adshel agreement on retrofitted improvements to shelters to make them fully enclosed. The design principle is that shelters must first be a shelter for passengers.

6. **Lambton terminal**

Everybody present commended Stephen Hart for his work in managing the Lambton Terminal project.

Problems associated with school children pressing the emergency escalator stop button.

ACTION: STEPHEN HARTE TO CONSIDER ISSUING STAGECOACH PERSONNEL WITH ESCALATOR RESTRICTION KEY

7. **City Circular**

Stagecoach advised Greater Wellington that their commercial registration of the City Circular was being withdrawn. Greater Wellington officers have advised Stagecoach that it does not wish to contract the service. Stagecoach is considering its options.

8. **New trolley bus**

The prototype new trolley bus is being trialed. Greater Wellington in discussion with Wellington Cable Car Company re future of overhead wiring. Stagecoach and Greater Wellington to start negotiation of future trolley bus contract.

ACTION: WCC TO FORM A VIEW ON THE VALUE OF THE TROLLEY BUS SERVICE RATHER THAN A REPLACEMENT DIESEL SERVICE TO THE WELLINGTON CITY COMMUNITY.

9. **QPA**

The 2003-2007 QPA has been adopted by both Councils and is ready for signing.

10. **Accessible Bus Inquiry**

All parties were aware of the Human Rights Commissioner's decision to conduct a public inquiry into accessible land transport. Cr Turver had spoken to the Human Rights

Commissioner, Rosslyn Noman and we will all be receiving from them shortly a package of the material used as a basis for inquiry.

11. **General Business**

- Johnsonville rail replacement contingency strategy

Greater Wellington stated that it had proposed a possible bus replacement plan for JV rail services. It required 24 to 25 buses running through to Courtenay Place. It would only be implemented, in full or in part, if the rail service was withdrawn or reduced by Tranz Rail. Stagecoach stated that they were holding a number of older buses on standby for such a situation.

- Porirua bus service review

This review is about to be launched. The Porirua/Tawa/Johnsonville services is in the WCC area. Meetings will be held with the Tawa Community Board.

- Speed of buses in Lambton area

Some concerns have been expressed at the speed of buses in some of the Lambton bus lanes.

ACTION: STAGECOACH TO ADVISE DRIVERS TO STRICTLY COMPLY WITH ALL POSTED SPEED LIMITS.

- Parades/Events

Stagecoach expressed concern over the growing number of parades along bus routes through the City centre.

ACTION: WCC TO SEEK BETTER MANAGEMENT OF PARADES TO ALLOW CONTINUED OPERATION OF BUS SERVICES WHEREVER POSSIBLE.

- Rail operator

Transfund should approve an urban rail CPP for Wellington on 15 May. Greater Wellington will then advertise for tenderers in early June. New operator should be announced prior to Christmas.

12. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held at 2:00 pm on Wednesday 13 August 2003 in the WCC offices.