



greater WELLINGTON
REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES

SUBJECT **Porirua/Kapiti QPA Meeting**

WHEN Thursday 2 March 2006 at 1:00pm

WHERE Greater Wellington

FILE NUMBER T/10/01/044

1. **Present**

Mayor Jenny Brash	Porirua City Council
Geoff Marshall	
Peter Bailey	
Mayor Alan Milne	Kapiti Coast District Council
Cr Glen Evans	GWRC
Cr Chris Turver	
Cr Margaret Shields	
Rhona Nicol	
Anthony Cross	
Kerry Waddell	Mana Coach Services

2. **Apologies**

Mark Dacombe	Kapiti Coast District Council
Gael Ferguson	
Ross Hayward	Tranz Metro
Graeme Mowday	
Roger Blakeley	Porirua City Council

3. **Meeting chairperson**

On this occasion as Greater Wellington are hosting, Cr Evans took the chair.

4. **Draft QPA agreement**

It was agreed that the QPA agreement should be signed by the Mayor and CEO of both Porirua City Council and Kapiti Coast District Council. Both Mayor Brash and Mayor Milne indicated that the agreement would need to go through the Council process.

It was agreed that the QPA agreement is still a work in process. It has some technical wording that needs to be discussed with Greater Wellington officers and Porirua City Council.

Cr Turver indicated that he would like to see a record of passenger numbers included to monitor progress over the coming years.

Appendix 1 needs to identify full issues and projects with a summary update on projects in June/July.

Agreed Action:

Rhona Nicol to organise a meeting with Porirua City Council.

5. **Western Corridor**

Copies of Greater Wellington's presentation is to be sent to all QPA members.

Agreed Action:

GW will feed through information as it comes to hand.

6. **Porirua station**

This project is included in the Western Corridor documentation.

7. **Kapiti service issues**

A request came through for the bus to go through Kapiti Health Centre. The problem with this request is the judder bars at the Health Centre. Anthony Cross referred them back to the DHB and will talk to the DHB once this comes up again.

Anthony Cross indicated that there is a minor route change at Weggery Drive.

Cr Turver asked what is next? Anthony Cross indicated a review may take place in 2008 with new stations at Lindale and Raumati being the main focus.

Mayor Milne indicated that there have been no complaints about public transport in the Kapiti area. Cr Turver indicated that there has been a major increase in passenger numbers in Otaki.

It was agreed that a presentation on public transport is to be made to both Councils.

Agreed Action:

Anthony Cross to organise presentation to both Councils.

8. **Metlink**

Metlink signs are due in the Kapiti area in 6-8 weeks. Waikanae signs will go up at the same time as the Weggery Drive route change. Porirua will be the next area following Kapiti to have the new Metlink bus stop signage installed.

9. **Plimmerton underpass and park and ride**

Currently working on detailed plan and costing. Geoff Marshall and Rhona Nicol are to speak to ONTRACK.

Agreed Action:

Geoff Marshall and Rhona Nicol to speak to ONTRACK.

10. **Muri Station access**

Porirua City Council to talk to Transit regarding access to Muri Station and report back to the next meeting.

Agreed Action:

PCC to speak to Transit.

11. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held at Kapiti Coast District Council at 1:30 pm on Tuesday 13 June 2006.



MINUTES

SUBJECT **Hutt Valley QPA Meeting**
WHEN Thursday 9 March 2006 at 2:30 pm
WHERE Greater Wellington Regional Council
FILE NUMBER T/10/01/040

12. **Present**

Cr Glen Evans GWRC
Cr Peter Glensor
Cr Sandra Greig
Cr Rex Kirton
Wayne Hastie
Rhona Nicol
Anthony Cross

Nigel Piper Cityline Hutt Valley
Ian Turner

13. **Apologies**

Mayor David Ogden Hutt City Council
Bruce Sherlock

Mayor Wayne Guppy Upper Hutt City Council
Lachlan Wallach

Ross Martin Cityline Hutt Valley
Eddie McCaffrey

Ross Hayward Tranz Metro
Graeme Mowday

Cheryll Graham Hutt Valley DHB

14. **Meeting chairperson**

Cr Evans took the chair.

15. **Lower Hutt City Safari**

Michael Wood sent a report to the Committee reviewing the event (circulated previously). The event will be taking place in Wellington this year. Everyone at the meeting was keen to support the Lower Hutt event this year.

As Mayor Guppy was unable to attend the meeting no update on the agreed action from the a previous meeting was given. Mayor Guppy would be followed up to see if a meeting was organised with Hutt Valley mayors and promotional staff to consider how the 2006 event can be supported by these organisations.

Agreed Action:

Follow up Mayor Guppy on whether a meeting of the Hutt Valley mayors and promotional staff to consider how the 2006 event can be supported by these organisations has been actioned.

16. **Railway stations**

GWRC provided Hutt City with the station by station analysis of stations on the Hutt line. HCC have actioned their tasks. Tranz Metro to follow up their priorities.

Agreed Action:

Tranz Metro to update on their progress.

17. **Hutt Road HOV Lane**

GWRC has written to Transit but have still not received a response back as yet. Follow up is required. Attendees did not want this issue getting lost in the Transmission Gully debate. It should be dealt with in the Transit 10 year plan which is currently out for consultation.

GWRC are working on a submission for the RLTC.

GWRC Councillors are meeting with Hutt City and will discuss this issue further.

Agreed Action:

Crs Evans, Glensor and Greig to discuss with Hutt City.

18. **Potential Bus Priority Measures**

The bus lane is still not operating. GWRC Councillors to add to their Hutt City discussion.

Agreed Action:

HCC to provide consultant's report on Waione Street to Stagecoach.

Crs Evans, Glensor and Greig to discuss with Hutt City.

19. **Accessibility**

Rosslyn Noonan is set to address the Passenger Transport Committee on 25 May. It is still to be decided how best to make the most of her time here. Interest was still high to invite a wider group of accessibility interested people. Cr Glensor has some contacts he would like involved in the wider group.

Rhona Nicol reported that she was working with Jenny Raine to set up a regional accessibility group.

Stagecoach reported that the Eastbourne and Wainuiomata routes were running fully accessible buses. The main problems now lie with the buses getting to the bus stops. Concern was raised that although most bus stops were the required length in several places around the Hutt, cars parked in parking areas in front of and behind the bus stops meant buses could not easily pull up to the curb. Stagecoach will advise some stops where access could be improved.

Agreed Action:

GWRC to organise format for Rosslyn Noonan's visit. Cr Glensor to advise names of those he thinks may be interested.

Cr Evans to write to Hutt City for updates on the Wainuiomata report and Eastbourne bus stops.

20. Other issues

20.1 Telemarketing

Calls made in November for Eastbourne with follow up calls also made. Thirty two percent of people sent coupons used them. Of those phoned back 15% have increased their usage. Stagecoach still to check whether there has been patronage growth. Results are similar to the UK and everyone is pleased with how it has gone.

20.2 Metlink

Signage being rolled out in Wellington city.

20.3 txtBUS

txtBUS information will be added to timetables as they are reprinted.

20.4 Tranz Metro monthly tickets

As no Tranz Metro representative was at the meeting no update was given.

Cr Glensor received an email from Michael Lulich about the difficulty of buying monthly train passes at the end of the month as it causes long queues at the ticket offices. He wondered whether anything could be done about it. Stagecoach said this wasn't an issue on buses because Hutt Valley commuters can buy their tickets on the bus and there are numerous agents around Wellington city for Wellington commuters.

Agreed Action:

Tranz Metro to follow up.

20.5 Hospital transport

Letter received from HVDHB asking QPA to reconsider funding transportation from Hutt Hospital to Wellington Hospital. Stagecoach reported they costed a service several years ago at \$200k a year for an hourly service. The type of bus used for such a service would also need consideration so that its suitable for mobility impaired people.

Agreed Action:

Cr Glensor to talk further to Stagecoach.

20.6 Hutt to University bus

Cr Greig had been approached by several students in the Hutt if there were plans for a Hutt to University bus service. Stagecoach suggested that due to the various start times and lots of other transport going to the university that a direct service probably wouldn't be viable.

20.7 Photo IDs

Cr Glensor raised the issue of photo IDS for school and university students. GW have been looking into this and will report at a future meeting.

20.8 Eastbourne bus barns

Agreed Action:

Nigel Piper to supply Cr Evans with some information.

21. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be at 2:30pm on Monday 10 July 2006 in the Council Chambers at Hutt City Council.



MINUTES

SUBJECT **Wellington QPA Meeting**
WHEN Wednesday 15 March 2006
WHERE Greater Wellington Regional Council
FILE NUMBER T/10/01/039

22. **Present**

Cr Glen Evans	GWRC
Cr Fran Wilde	
Rhona Nicol	
Anthony Cross	
Karen Richardson	
Nigel Piper	Stagecoach Wellington
Ian Turner	
Kerry Waddell	Mana Coach Service Ltd
Graeme Mowday	Toll Rail
Cr Andy Foster	Wellington City Council
Steve Harte	
Steve Spence	
Tim Reddish	NZ Taxi Federation
George Tyler	

23. **Apologies**

Stavros Michael	Wellington City Council
Ross Hayward	Toll Rail
Ross Martin	Stagecoach Wellington

24. **City Safari presentation**

Michael Wood made a presentation on the City Safari which is to be run in Wellington on 20 May 2006 starting at Frank Kitts Park. The Safari has previously been run in the Hutt Valley for the past two years.

25. **Pedestrian audits**

Rhona Nicol reported that the Transport Policy and Strategy division has produced an audit of passenger transport facilities which identifies areas that need some work. A letter was sent to each TA with their respective facilities.

It was noted that some of this was major work, but there were also minor issues that may be able to be resolved in the short term especially if they relate to safety.

Agreed action:

Each TA to provide an officer to Rhona Nicol who she can liaise with.

26. Metlink update

Signs are being installed with Route 1, 2 and 12 complete. The CBD signage installation is still on hold.

Agreed action:

GWRC to provide updates at each meeting.

27. Tertiary institutions transport issues

28. Coach parking on bus stops

Coaches are continuing to park on bus stops. Steve Harte indicated that tour buses can park on rear of bus stops outside peak house. It was suggested that loading zones are being provided outside new hotels.

29. Bus priority schemes

Ian Turner indicated that a notice went in the weekly staff bulletin to remind them about driver behaviour around Willis/Manners Street and will remind them once again.

The Willis/Manners Street intersection problems went to the WCC Council meeting and was decided to relook at this once the Inner City Bypass is in place as it may reduce congestion.

Steve Hart distributed a lowering speed limit leaflet. Consultation has taken place to reduce the CBD speed limit to 30 kph and should be in place shortly.

Agreed action:

Stagecoach to investigate driver behaviour at Willis/Manners Street intersection.

30. Regional Passenger Transport Plan

Anthony Cross had nothing further to report. Cr McDavitt said that the RPTP is included in the LTCCP.

31. Bus update

Changes to the Evans Bay route are being implemented on 17 April 2006.

Steve Harte had some concerns about the route being re-routed down Wakefield Street and taking traffic away from the Golden Mile. Anthony Cross indicated that it was included in the consultation and it was in favour of making this change.

Steve Harte had concerns over the City Circular being reduced. Ian Turner indicated that this happened about a year ago as it is a commercial service and was not making money and GW does not fund this service. Steve Harte indicated that WCC would be interested in funding it.

32. **Rail update**

LTNZ have given approval to go ahead to move to a longer term contract with some provisions.

Rhona Nicol indicated the EMU EOI will be out in April 2006.

33. **Route analysis**

Ian Turner indicated that Eddie McCaffrey provided the analysis presentation at the last meeting.

34. **Lambton interchange**

Nigel Piper wrote to the Wellington Area Controller again. They indicated that monitoring took place but still have concerns with signage.

Agreed action:

Steve Harte to discuss with Wellington Area Controller

35. **Johnsonville Mall**

Nothing new to report.

Agreed action:

WCC to report back at next meeting.

36. **Trolley buses**

Report has been received by Vector but still need line charge. Approaching LTNZ for additional funding.

37. **Human Rights Commission and disability standards**

George Tyler requested the inclusion of transport providers on the disability reference group in particular the Taxi Federation who are the major suppliers of service.

GW are still to set up the reference group.

Agreed action:

GW to set up in the new year.

38. **Fares**

Anthony Cross informed that the Regional Council are consulting through the LTCCP to increase rail fares by 15%. This has brought forward the need for standard region wide fares. The intention is to implement the rail fares first and bus fares as soon as possible after if not at the same time.

Youth fares will change to an age limit not education based.

Anthony Cross indicated that GW will talk to TA's and brief WCC Councillors.

39. **Other matters**

39.1 DHB representation

That Judith Aitken attend the meeting on behalf of the CCDHB.

39.2 Procurement Review

To be discussed at next meeting.

39.3 Stagecoach ownership

The new owners are intending to rebrand sometime this year. They are keen to invest more and are long term investors and also have an interest in the airport service.

40. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held at 2pm, Wednesday 14 June at Wellington City Council.