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## Report on the Transport and Access Committee Meeting held on 20 April 2010

### 1. Purpose

To inform Council about the meeting of the Transport and Access Committee that took place on 20 April 2010

### 2. Significance of the decision

The matters for decision in this report **do not** trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

### 3. Report

Three members of the Wellington Civic Trust addressed the Committee in public participation. The Trust has identified improved public transport as the single biggest opportunity to improve the quality of living in Wellington by 2040. The Trust raised some issues about the economic evaluation of transport projects – this query will be forwarded to the New Zealand Transport Agency for their response. They also noted the importance of partnerships to the successful delivery of public transport.

The Committee received a report on the review of the SuperGold Card Free Travel Scheme, including a draft submission which was approved by the Committee.

The Public Transport Asset Management Plan was presented to the Committee for approval. The Committee felt that the Plan was a technical document that did not require their approval, and amended the resolutions accordingly. Some technical matters were raised for consideration by staff, who were also requested to consider including world-wide fossil fuel shortages as part of the risk management section of the Plan.

The Committee was updated on public transport arrangements for the Rugby World Cup 2011. Greater Wellington had agreed in principle, as part of the region's bid to host quarter final matches, to offer some public transport, free to passengers, from midday on quarter final match days. The Committee was informed that officers are working with public transport operators to decide how the "free" public transport will be applied, and noted that provision for the costs will need to be made in the 2011/12 budget.

Key public transport provisions from the proposed Wellington Regional Transport Strategy 2010-2040 were presented to the Committee who resolved to endorse the provisions, and to request officers to provide this feedback to the Regional Transport Committee.

A presentation on some proposals to improve the efficiency of bus services on the Golden Mile was well received by the Committee. The Committee was also pleased with the reported success of the changes to the Paekakariki and Otaihanga bus services, which meant that these services could now be made permanent.

The final report updated the Committee on the progress with a number of public transport projects.

#### **4. Minutes**

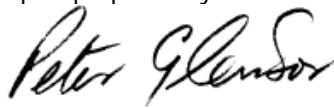
The minutes of the Committee's meeting are attached as **Attachment 1**.

#### **5. Recommendations**

*That the Council:*

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

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**Attachment 1:** Public minutes