



Unconfirmed

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE REGIONAL TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Date: Friday 17 September 2021

Time: 10.00am

Venue: Council Chamber
Hawke's Bay Regional Council
159 Dalton Street
NAPIER

Present: Cr M Williams – HBRC – Chair
Cr C Lambert – HBRC – Deputy Chair
Mayor C Little – WDC – *by zoom*
Mayor S Hazlehurst – HDC – *by zoom (joined meeting at 10.13am)*
Cr T Kerr – HDC *by zoom*
Cr K Price – NCC *by zoom*
L Stewart – NZTA *by zoom*
Cr K Taylor – CHBDC *by zoom*

In Attendance: K Brunton – HBRC Group Manager Policy & Regulation
A Palairet – Port of Napier Ltd *by zoom*
I Emmerson – Road Transport Association *by zoom*
Cr J van Beek – HBRC *by zoom*
J Palmer – HBRC CE *by zoom*
R Ashcroft- Cullen – HBRC Communications Advisor
P Martin – Senior Governance Advisor

TAG M Baker – HBRC Senior Policy Planner
S McKinley – CHBDC *by zoom*
M Hardie – WDC *by zoom*
J Hankin – NZTA *by zoom*
T Hughes -- NZTA *by zoom*
S Downs – NZTA *by zoom*
J Pannu – HDC *by zoom*

1. Welcome/Karakia /Apologies/Notices

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and Charles Lambert opened with a karakia.

RTC9/21 Resolution

That the apologies for absence from Matthew Broderick and Mayor Alex Walker and for lateness from Sandra Hazlehurst be accepted.

Price/Lambert
CARRIED

2. Conflict of Interest Declarations

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

3. Confirmation of Minutes of the Regional Transport Committee meeting held on 14 May 2021

RTC10/21 Resolution

Minutes of the Regional Transport Committee meeting held on Friday, 14 May 2021, a copy having been circulated prior to the meeting, were taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record.

Kerr/Price
CARRIED

4. Follow-ups from Previous Regional Transport Committee Meetings

The item was taken as read.

- School Bus Routes - Ministry of Transport and Ministry of Education (MoE) liaise with each other about policy matters and bus routes.
- Chair to write to local MoE in relation to rural school bus routes.

RTC11/21 Resolution

That the Regional Transport Committee receives and notes the *“Follow-ups from Previous Regional Transport Committee Meetings”*.

Lambert/Taylor
CARRIED

5. Call for Minor Items Not on the Agenda

There were no items raised

6. Roadsafe Annual Plan

Mary Anne Baker introduced the item, with discussions covering:

- Delivery of Roadsafe Expo in October 2020 is being evaluated and a copy of the report will be circulated to Committee members
- Driver Licencing Programme (DLP) has been allocated \$90K per year and as the programme is delivered through the Road Safety programme now, the Governance Group will be disestablished and reporting will be directly to RTC

Mayor Hazlehurst joined the meeting at 10.13am

- School based driver training includes cycle safety education and the wider plan could also include road user education with a focus on cycling safety
- The Road to Zero strategy is NZ's pathway to Vision Zero

- Consultation with Ngati Kahungunu will be undertaken before service contracts for delivery of the Driver Licensing programme have been finalised to ensure they meet iwi expectations
- Evaluation of the DLP programme including reach and results to be undertaken.

RTC12/21

Resolutions

That the Regional Transport Committee:

1. Receives and considers the “Roadsafe Annual Plan” staff report.
2. Agrees that the decisions to be made are not significant under the criteria contained in Council’s adopted Significance and Engagement Policy, and that Council can exercise its discretion and make decisions on this issue without conferring directly with the community or persons likely to have an interest in the decision.
3. Adopts the Roadsafe Hawke’s Bay Work Plan for 2021-22 as proposed subject to the inclusion of a road users education programme regarding cyclist safety.
4. Agrees to disestablish the Driver Licensing Programme Governance Group.
5. Agrees that the funding distribution for the driver licensing providers be as follows.

Provider	Amount
GOT Drive Community Trust	\$40,000
Connecting Youth and Employment Community Trust	\$10,000
Wairoa College	\$30,000

6. Adopts the following reporting and performance measures for the Roadsafe Work Plan.
 - 6.1. Quarterly reporting on the delivery of the Roadsafe Work Plan.
 - 6.2. Evaluation of at least four activity areas in the Roadsafe Work Plan including an evaluation of the Drivers Licencing Programme with reference to which communities, methods and outcomes were involved and achieved
 - 6.3. Reporting on the amount and any trends in the number of Deaths and Serious Injuries
 - 6.4. Survey attenders of the annual Expo with 90% of surveyed students showing an increased level of awareness of road safety messages.

**Williams/Kerr
CARRIED**

7.

Road Safetu S17a Review

Katrina Brunton introduced the item, which was taken as read. Queries and discussions covered:

- Agreed by RTC on 12 March 2021 that the RTC would assume direct governance oversight and responsibility for the RoadSafe programme
- The review will investigate the effectiveness of the Road Safety programme, including the most effective relationship between governance and programme delivery.

RTC13/21

Resolution

That Hawke’s Bay Regional Council:

1. Receives and considers the “Roadsafe s17a Review Outcomes” staff report.
2. Agrees that the decisions to be made are not significant under the criteria contained in Council’s adopted Significance and Engagement Policy, and that Council can exercise its

discretion and make decisions on this issue without conferring directly with the community or persons likely to have an interest in the decision.

3. Approves the engagement of Morrison Low to undertake a Service Delivery Review of the Hawke's Bay Regional Council's Road Safety function.

**Hazlehurst/Kerr
CARRIED**

8. September 2021 Public Transport Update

Katrina Brunton introduced the item, which was taken as read.

- Passenger numbers adversely affected by Covide and there have been capacity issues on school buses at times
- On Demand Public Transport trial project team has been assembled and contracting process is currently under way
- Regional Sports Park inclusion in the on-demand trial is being discussed however mini buses may not be suitable so investigating alternatives
- Pettigrew Green Arena has plans to expand its facilities and could be considered as part of the trial in due course
- Total Mobility Scheme is currently being reviewed and experience from other Regional Councils is being sought.

RTC14/21 Resolution

That the Regional Transport Committee receives and notes the "*September 2021 Public Transport Update*" report.

**Williams/Lambert
CARRIED**

9. Transport Manager's September 2021 Report

Mary Anne Baker introduced the item which was taken as read.

- The Wairoa to Gisborne rail link continues to be an issue. It is included in the HB Regional Land Transport Plan but is not in the National Land Transport Plan
- Waka Kotahi is willing to discuss this matter further, following which the rail link will become an agenda item for a future Committee meeting.

RTC15/21 Resolution

That the Regional Transport Committee receives and considers the "*HBRC Transport Manager's September 2021 Report*" staff report.

**Hazlehurst/Taylor
CARRIED**

10. NZTA Central Region - Regional Relationships Director's September 2021 Report

Linda Stewart provided a presentation. Highlights and Committee feedback included:

- Waka Kotahi is looking to provide the Committee with national information, to cooperate at a high level and to have a stronger connection with HBRC staff
- Driver behaviour is being targeted via a national campaign starting in January 2022
- National Land Transport Programme has recently been approved; total budget over 3 years is \$24.3B including \$376M for HB
- Roading funding includes \$42.3M for maintenance and \$43.7M for infrastructure
- Three major HB projects are being assessed, including the future of SH5
- The Committee was disappointed that its proposal for multi-modal transport on the Napier Hastings Expressway was not approved

- Waka Kotahi now considers the sealing of SH38 (Waikaremoana) a “possible” project. This is disappointing after numerous submissions over many years and the Committee will send a letter to the Chair of Waka Kotahi in support of the SH38 project
- SH5 (Napier to Taupo) speed limit review is expected to be available to Councils and Ministers in November 2021.

RTC16/21 Resolution

That the Regional Transport Committee receives and notes the “*NZTA Central Region – Regional Relationships Director’s September 2021 Report*”.

**Williams/Lambert
CARRIED**

11. Verbal Updates by Advisory Representatives

The Chair introduced the item and sought commentary which included:

- HB Cycling Governance group is looking at how they can work more closely with the Committee in future
- Whakatu Inland Freight Hub project is on hold
- Napier Port is working with the logging industry to address logging truck congestion in and around the Port
- KiwiRail will be expanding its Wairoa – Napier service from a weekend only service to a daily Monday through Friday service

RTC17/21 Resolution

That the Regional Transport Committee receives the “*Verbal Updates by Advisory Representatives*”

**Williams/Price
CARRIED**

12. Discussion of Minor Items Not on the Agenda

No items raised

Closure:

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 11.53am on 17 September 2021 and led a closing karakia.

Signed as a true and correct record.

DATE:

CHAIRMAN: