

**Absolutely Positively
Wellington City Council**

Me Heke Ki Pōneke

Ordinary Meeting of Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee Ngā Meneti | Minutes

9:30 am Rāpare, 20 Poutū-te-rangi 2025

9:30 am Thursday, 20 March 2025

Ngake (16.09), Level 16, Tahiwi

113 The Terrace

Pōneke | Wellington



PRESENT

Councillor Abdurahman
Councillor Apanowicz (via audiovisual link)
Councillor Brown (Chair)
Councillor Calvert
Councillor Chung
Deputy Mayor Foon
Councillor Free
Pouiwi Hohaia
Pouiwi Kelly (via audiovisual link)
Councillor Matthews (Deputy Chair)
Councillor McNulty
Councillor O'Neill
Councillor Pannett
Councillor Randle
Councillor Rogers
Mayor Whanau
Councillor Wi Neera (via audiovisual link)
Councillor Young

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1. Meeting Conduct

1.1 Karakia

The Chairperson declared the meeting (hui) open at 9:30am and read the following karakia to open the hui.

**Whakataka te hau ki te uru,
Whakataka te hau ki te tonga.
Kia mākinakina ki uta,
Kia mātaratara ki tai.
E hī ake ana te atākura.
He tio, he huka, he hauhū.
Tihei Mauri Ora!**

Cease oh winds of the west
and of the south
Let the bracing breezes flow,
over the land and the sea.
Let the red-tipped dawn come
with a sharpened edge, a touch of frost,
a promise of a glorious day

1.2 Apologies

No apologies were received.

1.3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

No conflicts of interest were declared.

1.4 Confirmation of Minutes

Moved Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Free

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Approves the minutes of the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 20 February 2025, having been circulated, that they be taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of that meeting.

Carried

1.5 Items not on the Agenda

There were no items not on the agenda.

1.6 Public Participation

1.6.1 Jade Musther on behalf of Cahoots Ltd

Addressed the hui regarding item 2.2

1.6.2 Kerry Pollock on behalf of Berhampore Peeps Community

Addressed the hui regarding item 2.2

1.6.3 Hon. Julie Anne Genter

Addressed the hui regarding item 2.2

The meeting adjourned at 9:54am and returned at 10:04am with the all members present.

(Councillor O'Neill left the hui at 10:33am)
(Councillor O'Neill rejoined the hui at 10:34am)

2. General Business

2.1 Submission on Draft Wellington Regional Public Transport Plan 2025-2035

Moved Councillor Randle, seconded Councillor Free the following amended substantive

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information
2. Approve the attached submission on the Draft Wellington Regional Public Transport Plan 2025-2035 (Attachment 1) **with the following changes:**

2.1 Amend the Draft Submission to include before paragraph 7 the words

"The Greater Wellington Regional Council applies user charges (fares) for Individuals/users benefits gained by people who use public transport or receive those a direct benefit, as stated in the GWRC's LTP Revenue and Finance Policy page 26"

2.2 Amend the Draft Submission to include the Submission of the Wellington City Council to the Greater Wellington Regional Council Long Term Plan.

2.3 Amend the Draft Submission at paragraph 20 to replace the current wording with

*"The Council requests that the calculation methodology and variables comparing fares with private vehicle operating costs be published as an appendix to the plan and be reported regularly as a measure in the Greater Wellington Regional Council Annual Report. The Council also requests that *that these calculations into account the full ownership and operating cost of a vehicle and parking costs.*"*

2.4 Clarify Paragraph 29 to

"The WCC believes that land around transport stops is best developed to its highest and best use as Transit Oriented Developments providing alternative revenue streams, housing opportunities, and patronage and convenience. Park and Ride should not be developed at the expense of those opportunities. There are however cases where land may be fragmented or unsuitable for these developments. In these cases, the WCC recommends that park and ride fees be set based on demand to ensure the optimisation of the parking resource and the attractiveness of off-peak public transport use. Wellington City Council wishes to work with Greater Wellington Regional Council to ensure that parking changes were made in a co-ordinated way to prevent demand being displaced and detrimental effects occurring on local street networks creating further conflict with residents and businesses. The Council supports the intention to charge users of Park and Ride facilities so as to fund ongoing operational costs and the provision of sufficient additional park and ride capacity to satisfy growing demand."

2.5 Amend the draft submission at paragraph 16 to insert

"Council requests the GWRC to amend Policy C IV to read - Collaborate with central government and other regions on national and cross-regional concession schemes to offer further discounts above what is already offered to those under 25, Total Mobility card holders and those on low incomes.

This would provide the Regional Council a more effective mechanism to offer subsidies to address equity concerns rather than departing from its principles of charging fares based on distance travelled"

2.6 Amend the draft submission at paragraph 12 to read

“Yes it will. Contemporary planning principles and overseas studies support this, as do the Parking Policy and Sustainable Transport Hierarchy adopted by the Council, but we will work with Greater Wellington to develop robust business cases for Wellington City which demonstrate the value of project proposals and will take this information into account when considering street space reallocation approvals under the Traffic Resolutions process which our Council is responsible for.”

2.7 Amend the draft submission at Paragraph 9 to include

“Council Supports the prioritisation and development of complete bus priority lanes as a high priority with a focus on the Eastern suburbs include options for Cobham Drive.”

2.8 Amend the draft submission at paragraph 26 to include:

“Wellington City Council asks that GWRC continues to honour the MOU with WCC and pay a contribution for the damage to the city’s roads from their overweight buses”

2.9 Amend the draft submission at paragraph 24 to read

“Council agrees in principle that dogs should be allowed on public transport subject to suitable controls to protect public safety.”

2.10 Amend the draft submission after paragraph 8 to read

“Wellington City Council advocates that GWRC publishes the subsidy flows by area and by mode as Open Data so that the funding being contributed by different users and communities to the network can be made clear and transparent”.

3. Authorise the Chair of the Kōrau Tūāpapa Environment and Infrastructure Committee to sign and make minor alterations to the submission.

Carried

Secretarial Note: The motion moved differed from the recommendations in the officer’s report, the changes are marked in red.

Secretarial Note: A division was called for, with all members voting in favour.
A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For:

Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Pouwi Hohaia, Pouwi Kelly, Councillor Matthews, Councillor McNulty, Councillor O’Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Rogers, Mayor Whanau, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young

Against:

Majority Vote: 18:0

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 10:37am and returned at 10:52am with the all members present.

2.2 Decision register updates and upcoming reports

Moved Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Matthews

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Receive the information
(Pouiwi Kelly left the hui at 11:03am)

The meeting adjourned at 11:03am and returned at 11:16am with the following members present: Mayor Whanau, Councillor Abdurahman, Councillor Apanowicz, Councillor Brown, Councillor Calvert, Councillor Chung, Deputy Mayor Foon, Councillor Free, Pouiwi Hohaia, Councillor Matthews, Councillor McNulty, Councillor O'Neill, Councillor Pannett, Councillor Randle, Councillor Rogers, Councillor Wi Neera, Councillor Young.

Moved Deputy Mayor Foon, seconded Councillor O'Neill the following amendment

Resolved

2. Request that officers will work with the community to find a space and implement trans street art or a public mural in Berhampore with the intention to use left over funds from the Berhampore town centre beautification project for this purpose, if required.
- 2.1 Request that officers report back to the relevant Committee on the possible implementation of a trans art installation in Berhampore.

Carried

Moved Councillor Randle, seconded Councillor Calvert the following amendment

Resolved

3. Request officers arrange an update from NZTA to elected members on major projects in Wellington City including how these projects are progressing and how they are to be aligned with other transport projects being undertaken by councils.

Carried

Moved Councillor Brown, seconded Councillor Matthews the following amended substantive

Resolved

That the Kōrau Tūāpapa | Environment and Infrastructure Committee:

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2. Request that officers will work with the community to find a space and implement trans street art or a public mural in Berhampore with the intention to use left over funds from the Berhampore town centre beautification project for this purpose, if required.
- 2.1 Request that officers report back to the relevant Committee on the possible implementation of a trans art installation in Berhampore.
3. Request officers arrange an update from NZTA to elected members on major projects in Wellington City including how these projects are progressing and how they are to be aligned with other transport projects being undertaken by councils.

Carried

The hui concluded at 11:35am with the reading of the following karakia:

Unuhia, unuhia, unuhia ki te uru tapu nui	Draw on, draw on
Kia wātea, kia māmā, te ngākau, te tinana, te wairua	Draw on the supreme sacredness To clear, to free the heart, the body and the spirit of mankind
I te ara takatū	
Koia rā e Rongo, whakairia ake ki runga	Oh Rongo, above (symbol of peace)
Kia wātea, kia wātea	Let this all be done in unity
Āe rā, kua wātea!	

Authenticated: _____
Chair