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**REPORT 5**  
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## **TRAFINZ ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2010, WELLINGTON, 5 - 9 SEPTEMBER 2010**

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### **1. Purpose of Report**

This report provides information on the New Zealand Local Authority Traffic Institute's (Trafinz) Annual Conference to be held in Wellington from 5-9 September 2010, and to seek approval for up to two elected members to attend the conference.

### **2. Recommendations**

Officers recommend that the Strategy and Policy Committee:

1. *Receives the information.*
2. *Approves the attendance of up to two elected members at the Trafinz Annual Conference to be held in Wellington from 5-9 September 2010 and that the costs associated with attending the conference be met from the Elected Members' budget (GVEM01).*
3. *Agrees that should the nominated elected member(s) be unable to attend, they may ask another elected member to attend in their place.*
4. *Notes that there is a Strategy and Policy Committee Pre-Meeting Briefing on Tuesday, 7 September 2010, a meeting of the Regulatory Processes Committee on Wednesday, 8 September 2010, and meetings of the Strategy and Policy Committee and Tawa Community Board on Thursday, 9 September 2010.*
5. *Notes that a report back on the conference will be presented to the Strategy and Policy Committee in accordance with Council policy.*

### **3. Discussion**

The New Zealand Local Authority Traffic Institute (Trafinz) has been in existence for over sixty years. Trafinz was established to represent local authority views on road safety and traffic management in New Zealand and continues to lobby the government to influence decision-making on road safety and traffic issues, advocating for safe, efficient and economical planning and management of traffic. The organisation provides a forum for collectively pursuing traffic issues of interest to local authorities and sharing information.

Trafinz is administered by a voluntary executive of 15 councillors and officers elected at the Annual Conference. The executive includes elected members from the Wellington City Council as well as Dunedin, Manukau, Christchurch, Auckland, North Shore, and Hamilton City Councils. Councillor Andy Foster is the current President of Trafinz.

The organisation also has a technical committee of roading and traffic practitioners comprised of officers from various local authorities, the New Zealand Transport Agency and the New Zealand Police, who carry out or coordinate the detailed work set by the executive in the annual business plan.

#### **3.1 Conference Theme and Programme**

The theme for the Trafinz 2010 conference is '10 years to change our world?' The theme reflects on the future viability and prosperity of the planet, which will depend on the decisions and actions taken over the next decade.

The key themes for discussion will be:

- Managing travel demand;
- The use of new technologies; and,
- Planning the thinking to reduce vehicle emissions.

There will be a number of guest speakers and presenters, including Tony Bliss, the lead road safety specialist at the World Bank, Dr Soames Job, Director of Road Safety and the Roads and Traffic Authority of New South Wales, Eric Howard, the General Manager of Road Safety and VicRoads in Victoria, Javier Sanchez-Ferragut Andreu, Major of the Traffic Civil Guard in Spain, and Assistant Commissioner Viv Rickard from the New Zealand Police.

In addition to the presentations, there will be a number of workshops to develop the key themes, a panel discussion including representatives of the major political parties, and visits to some of Wellington City's great attractions.

The draft programme for the conference is attached as Appendix One.

### 3.2 Future Conferences

Conferences scheduled for the remainder of the 2007-10 triennium include:

- New Zealand Walking Conference, Wellington, 2/3 August 2010;
- Resource Management Law Association Annual Conference 2010, Christchurch, 30 September – 2 October 2010.

### 3.3 Considerations

When deciding whether elected members should attend this conference, consideration should be given to:

- the cost; and
- the impact of attendance on the budget; and
- the other conferences elected members may wish to attend later in the financial year.

The cost of attendance per delegate is detailed as follows:

Item	Cost (including GST)
Registration	\$945.00
Return Airfares	Nil
Accommodation	Nil
Incidentals	Nil
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$945.00</b>

The total cost of attendance for two elected members to attend the conference would be \$1,890.00 and the impact on the budget would be as follows:

	2009/2010 Budget	Year to Date Expenditure	Unexpended Funds
Total budget for conference fees	<b>\$39,500.00</b>	\$17,603.75 <sup>1</sup>	\$21,896.25
Impact of sending <b>two</b> elected members to the conference	\$1,890.00	\$19,493.75	\$20,006.25

The costs incurred will be met from the elected members' conference budget (GVEM01).

<sup>1</sup> The 2009/10 contribution to the Local Government New Zealand Conference 2009 totalled \$1,576.50 (with the remaining \$6,544.50 being drawn from the 2008/09 GVEM01 budget for a total cost of \$8,121.00)  
The attendance of one Councillor at the 2009 Trafanz Conference at a cost of \$1,932.75  
The attendance of two Councillors at the RMLA Conference 2009 at a cost of \$1,715.00  
The attendance of one Councillor at the LIANZA Conference 2009 at a cost of \$1,411.00  
The attendance of one Councillor at the Youth in Local Government Conference 2010 at a cost of \$450.00  
The attendance of one Councillor at the Sister Cities New Zealand Conference 2010 at an approximate total cost of \$1,524.50  
The 2009/10 contribution to the Local Government New Zealand Conference 2009 is estimated at \$8,992.00 (with the incidental costs to be drawn from the 2010/11 GVEM01 budget).

#### **4. Conclusion**

A decision is required as to whether the Strategy and Policy Committee should approve the attendance of up to two elected members at the Trafinz Annual Conference to be held in Wellington on 5-9 September 2010.

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## Supporting Information

### **1) Strategic Fit / Strategic Outcome**

*This project supports long-term outcome 7.2.2 – “Wellington will operate an open and honest decision-making process that generates confidence and trust in the democratic system”.*

### **2) LTCCP/Annual Plan reference and long term financial impact**

*Relates to C534: Elections, Governance and Democratic Process.*

### **3) Treaty of Waitangi considerations**

*There are no Treaty of Waitangi implications.*

### **4) Decision-Making**

*This is not a significant decision.*

### **5) Consultation**

#### **a) General Consultation**

*Not required.*

#### **b) Consultation with Maori**

*Not required.*

### **6) Legal Implications**

*Nil.*

### **7) Consistency with existing policy**

*This report is consistent with existing Wellington City Council policy.*



## Draft Programme

as at 25 May 2010

### Sunday 5 September 2010

<b>3:00 pm</b>	<b>Registration commences</b>	
<b>4:30pm</b>	Transport departs for Official Opening	
<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Mayoral Reception and Conference Opening</b>	Sponsored by: 
<b>5:15 pm</b>	Zealandia	
<b>7:00 pm</b>	Transport departs for Carter Observatory	
<b>7:30 pm</b>	Mayor Kerry Prendergast, Wellington City Council	
<b>9:30 pm</b>	Transport departs for official hotels	




## Monday 6 September 2010

<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Registration with tea and coffee</b>		
<b>8:45 am</b>	<b>Conference Opening – Housekeeping</b> MC – Mark Hadlow		
<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Trafinz role in changing our future</b> Cr Andy Foster, President, Trafinz		
<b>9:10 am</b>	<b>NZ transport safety into the future and what we can learn from 2010</b> Tony Bliss, Lead Road Safety Specialist, The World Bank		
<b>9:50 am</b>	<b>Safer Journeys to 2020</b> Martin Matthews, CEO, Ministry of Transport		
<b>10:20 am</b>	<b>Morning Tea</b>	Sponsored by: 	
<b>10:50 am</b>	<b>Funding and policy</b> Ernst Zollner, NZ Transport Agency		
<b>11:20 am</b>	<b>Changing mindsets now to slash fatalities to 2020 and beyond</b> Eric Howard, General Manager - Road Safety, VicRoads		
<b>12:00 noon</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	Sponsored by:	
<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>The Australian Safe System Approach</b> Soames Job, Director, Road Safety, Roads & Traffic Authority		
<b>1:40 pm</b>	<b>Climate Change</b> Jonathan Boston		
<b>2:10 pm</b>	<b>Workshops – What does “Safe System” mean for you?</b>		
	<b>Education</b>	<b>Enforcement</b>	<b>Engineering</b>
	Facilitator To Be Confirmed	Facilitator To Be Confirmed	Facilitator To Be Confirmed
<b>3:00 pm</b>	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>	Sponsored by:	
<b>3:30 pm</b>	<b>Creating a Safer State Highway Network</b> Colin Brodie, NZ Transport Agency		
<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>Lets Carpool / Journey Planner</b> Greater Wellington Regional Council (TBC)		
<b>4:30 pm</b>	<b>Conclusion of Day One</b>		
<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Transport departs for Conference Dinner</b>		
<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Conference Dinner</b>	Sponsored by: 	
	<b>Presentation and announcement of Trafinz Achievement Award</b>		
	<b>Presentation and announcement of HMI School Speed Zone winners</b>		



## Tuesday 7 September 2010

<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>Registration with tea and coffee</b>		
<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>European Union approach to road policing</b> Javier Sanchez-Ferragut Andreu, Major of the Traffic Civil Guard, Spain		
<b>9:40 am</b>	<b>Road Policing in New Zealand to 2020</b> Assistant Commissioner Viv Rickard, New Zealand Police		
<b>10:10 am</b>	<b>Morning Tea</b>	Sponsored by:	
<b>10:40 am</b>	<b>Urban Development – Land Use Planning</b> (TBC)		
<b>11:10 am</b>	<b>The Minister of Transport</b> Hon. Stephen Joyce		
<b>11:50 am</b>	<b>Who is.... What is..... SASTA</b> Henriette Rawlings		
<b>12:00 noon</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	Sponsored by:	
<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>Electric Vehicles in New Zealand</b> Meridian Energy (TBC)		
<b>1:30 pm</b>	<b>ACC</b> Dr Jan White, CEO, Accident Compensation Corporation		
<b>2:00 pm</b>	<b>Regional Land Transport Committee</b> (TBC)		
<b>2:30 pm</b>	<b>Buses Depart for Parliament</b>	Sponsored by:	Safer Journeys
<b>3:00 pm</b>	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>	Sponsored by:	Safer Journeys
<b>3:30 pm</b>	<b>Political Panel Discussion</b> Transport spokesperson from National, Labour, Greens, Act, Maori Parties (TBC)		
<b>4:30 pm</b>	<b>Depart for Duxton Hotel</b>		
<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>Sponsor Drinks and Nibbles</b>	Sponsored by:	
<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Trafinz Executive Dinner transport departs</b> Location: Princes Ballroom A/B		





## Wednesday 8 September 2010

<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Registration with tea and coffee</b>		
<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>NZ Bus – A case for public transport</b> (TBC)		
<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Wellington Region &amp; Top of the South, Road Safety and Demand Management hour of “WOW”</b>		
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Morning Tea</b>	Sponsored by:	
<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Rail in the Transport System – Passengers and Freight</b> (TBC)		
<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Workshops – Where to from here?</b>		
	<b>Safer Roads and Roadsides &amp; Safe Speeds</b>	<b>Safe Vehicles &amp; Safe Road Use</b>	<b>Demand Management</b>
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<b>12:00 noon</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	Sponsored by:	
<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>AA</b> (TBC)		
<b>1:30 pm</b>	Tony Bliss		
<b>1:40 pm</b>	Eric Howard		
<b>1:50 pm</b>	Soames Job		
<b>2:00 pm</b>	Javier Sanchez-Ferragut Andreu, Major of the Traffic Civil Guard, Spain		
<b>2:10 pm</b>	<b>Panel Discussion from our international speakers</b> Javier Sanchez-Ferragut Andreu, Soames Job, Tony Bliss and Eric Howard		
<b>2:40 pm</b>	<b>HMI School Zone Competition</b>		
<b>2:50 pm</b>	<b>Weta Studios - Changing our World</b>		
<b>3.30 pm</b>	<b>Trafinz Wrap up</b> Andy Foster, President Trafinz		
<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>SASTA AGM</b>		
<b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>SASTA Executive meeting</b>		



## SASTA PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

# Thursday 9 September 2010

<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Tea and Coffee served in SASTA Exhibition area</b>	
<b>8:45 am</b>	<b>Welcome and outline of today</b> Henriette Rawlings & Anna Blomquist	
<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Community development under safer systems approach</b> Tony Bliss (TBC)	
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Morning Tea</b>	Sponsored by:
<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Programme Evaluation</b> Anne Dowden	
<b>11:30 am</b>	<b>NZTA update</b> Glenn Bunting, NZ Transport Agency	
<b>12:00 noon</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	Sponsored by:
	<b>Workshops</b>	
	<b>Safer road use and vehicles</b>	<b>Safer speeds and road and roadsides</b>
<b>1:00 pm</b>	<b>Parents as role models</b> Susan Cambridge	<b>Rural roads/Buses</b> Lisa Collins
<b>1:30 pm</b>	<b>Car fit</b> Kath Henderson	<b>Safer Roads, Roadsides and speed</b> Gareth Hughes, Rodney District Council
	<b>Time to Shine</b>	
<b>2:00 pm</b>	<b>School travel plans an integrated approach</b> Tauranga City Council	
<b>2:15 pm</b>	<b>Community Alcohol Programme</b> Central Otago District Council.	
<b>2:30 pm</b>	TBC	
<b>2:45 pm</b>	TBC	
<b>3:00 pm</b>	<b>Closing Henri - best exhibition awards</b>	