# STRATEGY AND POLICY COMMITTEE 20 SEPTEMBER 2012



**REPORT 6** (1215/52/IM)

## TRAFINZ ANNUAL CONFERENCE, AUCKLAND, 8-9 OCTOBER 2012

#### 1. Purpose of report

This report provides information on the New Zealand Local Authority Traffic Institute (Trafinz) Annual Conference to be held in Auckland from 8 - 9 October 2012, 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. Receive the information
- 2. Approve the attendance of up to two elected members at the Trafinz Annual Conference to be held in Auckland from 8 9 October 2012 and the costs associated with attending the conference to be met from the Elected Members' budget (GVEM01).
- 3. Note that there is a Strategy and Policy Committee Pre-meeting Briefing on Tuesday, 9 October 2012, and Oral Hearings on the Council's Representation Review.
- 4. Note 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) represents local authority views on road safety and traffic management in New Zealand. It exists to lobby the government, to influence decision making on road safety and traffic issues. It also acts as a forum for collectively pursuing traffic issues of interest to local authorities, and for sharing information and advice.

The Trafinz Annual Conference is New Zealand's premier forum for representatives from the traffic engineering, road safety and transportation planning community. It is intended to stimulate debate and collaboration amongst peers who are working in the transportation arena with an interest in road safety, sustainability and traffic management.

There is a major International Safety Conference in Wellington in early October and this will include a two day Road Safety Education Conference. This is at about the same time as Trafinz would normally be holding its own Conference.

Trafinz is assisting with the organisation of the Wellington event, and has been allocated a speaker slot on the second day of the conference. However Trafinz does not see it as a full substitute for the Trafinz Conference, and so has arranged a shorter two day alternative to its usual four day conference to be held in Auckland on 8 and 9 October 2012, immediately following the Wellington international conference.

This will allow Trafinz to use some of the international speakers from the Wellington event and provide the opportunity to hear their messages and discuss how to grow a NZ road safety culture locally. One day will be particularly focussed on local safety initiatives with the second day more focussed on higher level strategic and policy issues and aimed at involving local and regional political and professional leaders.

This year's Conference theme is - reducing the true cost of road safety

- Applying 'safe system' design
- Creating self-explaining self-enforcing roads
- Sustainable transport system
- Growing a NZ Safety Culture

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

#### 4. Conclusion

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

- the cost; and
- the impact of attendance on the budget

The cost of attendance per delegate is detailed as follows:

Item	Cost (including GST)
Registration	\$563.00
Accommodation	\$190.00
Flights	\$414.00
Incidentals	\$300.00
Total	\$1,467.00

The total cost of attendance for two elected members to attend the conference would be \$2934.00 and the impact on the budget would be as follows:

	Budget 2012/2013	Year to date Expenditure	Unexpended Funds
Total budget for conference fees, travel and accommodation	\$37, 500.00	\$12, 827. 61	\$24, 672. 39
Impact of sending two elected members to the conference	\$2,934.00	\$15, 761. 61	21, 738. 39

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#### TRAFINZ CONFERENCE DRAFT PROGRAMME 2012

As at 20 August 2012

#### **Monday 8 October - SASTA** 07:30 Exhibitors set up 09:00 Registration Desk Opens with Tea, Coffee and Muffins 09:30 Welcome, introductions and outline of day Andrew Bell, SASTA AGM 10:00 **Combining Safe System Principles & Road Safety Education in Schools** Dr Soames Job, Global Road Safety Solutions 10:30 **Morning Tea Children and their Urban Environment** 11:00 Assoc. Prof Claire Freeman, University of Otago **Social & Geographical Differences in Road Traffic Injuries** 11:30 Dr Jamie Hoskings, Auckland University 12:00 Lunch **TRAFINZ** 13:00 TRAFINZ Opening Cr Andy Foster, President, TRAFINZ 13:10 Introducing Safe Roads - what will it take? Dr Soames Job, Road Safety Expert 14:00 Active Driver Assistance – A cost-efficient Road Safety future Prof Rienhard Klette, University of Auckland 14:30 **Creating a Safe Road System for New Zealand** The National Road Safety Management Group 15:00 **Afternoon Tea** 15:30 **Developing the next Safer Journeys Action Plan** The National Road Safety Management Group 16:45 Conference day one closes 17:45 Refreshments **Mayoral Reception, Conference Dinner and Awards** 18:00 18:15 **Welcome to Auckland** Mayor Len Brown, Auckland Council Trafinz Leadership Awards

22:00

**Evening finishes** 





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### **Tuesday 9 October - TRAFINZ**



08:00	Registration Desk Opens with tea and coffee
08:30	Trafinz Opening and Housekeeping
08:40	Challenges and Opportunities for Road Safety in Auckland
	Dr David Warburton, Auckland Transport
09:10	Role of Local Government in achieving road safety in NZ
	Q. – What must local government do for transport to contribute to communities without death and serious injuries?
	Cr Andy Foster, Dr Soames Job, Dr Samuel Charlton
10:00	Morning Tea
10:30	Public Health effects on transport policy
	Dr Alex McMillian, University of Auckland, Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences
11:00	Serious crash investigations and a safe system
	Inspector Mark Stables, New Zealand Police
11:35	A safe system for rural school safety
	Dr Hamish Mackie, Mackie Research & Consulting
12:15	Lunch
13:15	Breathing life into road safety analysis
	Paul Durdin, Director, Abley Consultants
13:45	What do safe speeds really mean for New Zealand?
	Dr Samuel Charlton, Associate Professor, Waikato University
14:45	Road Safety Challenges for New Zealand
45.00	Cr Andy Foster, Dr Soames Job, Dr Samuel Charlton
15:00	Afternoon Tea
15:30	Auckland Community Transport Show-case
	Auckland Transport Staff
16:30	TRAFINZ Wrap Up and Conference closure
	Andy Foster, President, TRAFINZ