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District Council

POLICY COMMITTEE

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INFORMATION PACK

Pikau Korero

PP16

Thursday, 18 October 2018



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In addition, should a more detailed report or presentation be required on any specific item, Councillors are invited to make an e-mail request to the Chief Executive Officer. Reports or presentations requested will be given at the first available opportunity.

Council	-	TBC
Community Committee	-	Michelle Parnell
Long Term and Annual Plan Committee	-	TBC
Operations and Monitoring Committee	-	Aileen Alty
Policy Committee	-	Michelle Parnell
Rural Committee	-	Michelle Parnell
All Community Boards	-	Aileen Alty

Please include in any emailed questions and the following references from this Information Pack;

- Title of Item – Page reference for question.

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Policy Committee No. PP18
18 October 2018
Information Pack

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Minute Actions Not Completed for Policy Committee (Open)

Remit Number	Remit Title	Owner	Remit Description	Owner Comments	Current Status
PP1418.4 06 Aug 2018	Deliberations on the Draft Reserves and Facilities Bylaw 2018	POLICY AND PLANNING MANAGER	<p>1. THAT the Senior Policy Analyst (Consultant) report dated 18 September 2018 and titled Deliberations on the Draft Reserves and Facilities Bylaw 2018 be received.</p> <p>2. THAT the report relates to an issue that is considered to be of medium significance in terms of Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.</p> <p>3. THAT the 'Beaches for Everyone' petition delivered to Council's Barks Corner office on 3 August 2018 opposing the proposed ban of horses at Tuapiro Point be received as a late submission to the Draft Reserves and Facilities Bylaw.</p> <p>4. That in response to Issue 3: Broader review of horse riding areas, the Policy Committee approves the following:</p> <p>Option 3A:</p> <p>Undertake a review to identify additional opportunities for the provision of horse riding areas in the district in the 2019/20 financial year with the key stakeholders.</p> <p>Reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responds to submission feedback on this issue. • Addresses concern of the limited number of safe horse riding opportunities in the Western Bay. <p>5. THAT the Policy Committee recommends to Council for adoption the Reserves and Facilities Bylaw 2018 inclusive of the following amendments:</p> <p>Issue 1: Horses at Tuapiro Point</p> <p>Option 1C:</p> <p>Amended status quo (Appendix C) including the options outlined below:</p> <p>Permitted area amendments</p> <p>Continue to permit horses at Tuapiro Point subject to conditions outlined in Clause 13.</p>		NOT COMMENCED

Remit Number	Remit Title	Owner	Remit Description	Owner Comments	Current Status
			<p>Amend Schedule 1 of the bylaw to reflect proposed changes to permitted horse riding areas around Tuapiro Point including clarification regarding the parking area for horse floats and access to the permitted area connecting the public road to the foreshore.</p> <p>Reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seeks to achieve a compromise between the issues raised by Ngati Te Wai and the issues raised by the horse riding community. • Tuapiro Point is a popular location for horse riders. • Majority of submissions did not support removing Tuapiro Point as a permitted site (96%). • Continues to provide six locations for horse riders to access in accordance with the Bylaw. • A range of potential improvements could be made within the bylaw and operationally (many suggested by submissions) to better manage the impact of the use of the area by horse riders. <p>Code of conduct</p> <p>Develop horse riders code of conduct in conjunction with horse riding representatives and include code of conduct information in the bylaw, on Council's website and in Council communications.</p> <p>Reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sets out clear expectations of use. • Approach successfully used in Auckland Regional Parks. • Can be used by different clubs to encourage responsible use by their members. <p>Issue 3: Broader Review of Horse Riding Areas</p> <p>To add to Clause 13.1 (c) In a reserve or on a beach where there is dedicated signposted horse riding trails.</p> <p>Issue 4: Drones</p> <p>Option 4B:</p> <p>Continue as per proposed bylaw (Appendix A)</p>		

Remit Number	Remit Title	Owner	Remit Description	Owner Comments	Current Status
			<p>Reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflects existing Council direction on this issue. • Recognises that there have been no known issues regarding the use of RPAS on Council land. • Clear and simple approach to allowing for this use to occur, avoiding confusion about where RPAS can and cannot fly. • Ensures compliance with CAA regulations and provides flexibility should these regulations change in the future. <p>Issue 5: Vehicles on Beaches</p> <p>Option 5B:</p> <p>Amendments to Clause 10 of operative bylaw</p> <p>Reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensures community are aware that regional provisions may also apply. <p>6. THAT pursuant to s155 of the Local Government Act 2002, the Policy Committee recommends to Council that the Reserves and Facilities Bylaw 2018 as amended is the most appropriate way of addressing the perceived problem, is the most appropriate form of bylaw, and that the bylaw does not give rise to any implications under the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990.</p> <p>7. THAT the Policy Committee recommends to Council that the Reserves and Facilities Bylaw 2018 become effective on 9 November 2018 and that the Reserves and Facilities Bylaw 2012 be revoked as at that date.</p> <p>8. THAT in response to Issue 2: Bylaw implementation, the Policy Committee approves the following:</p> <p>Option 2A:</p> <p>Implement a range of improvements to better manage the use of horses at Tuapiro Point:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve signage at Tuapiro Point 		

Remit Number	Remit Title	Owner	Remit Description	Owner Comments	Current Status
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve education on bylaw requirements and values of Tuapiro Point • Monitoring approach <p>Reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responds to submissions identifying potential improvements to the management of horses at Tuapiro Point. • Clarifies expectations of use. • Work with the Ngati Te Wai and the horse riding community to implement improvements to ensure they are effective. <p>9. THAT the Policy Committee direct staff to develop a Decision Story that gives effect to the resolutions from this meeting, and recommends to Council that the Decision Story be adopted alongside adoption of the final bylaw and provided to submitters as a formal response to submissions made.</p>		

Minute Actions Completed for Policy Committee (Open)

Minutes Number	Remit Title	Owner	Remit Description	Owner Comments	Current Status
PP1318.1 14 Jun 2018	Precious Family Reserve 2018	RECREATION PLANNER	<p>1. THAT the Recreation Planner's report dated 29 May 2018 and titled "Precious Family Reserve Concept Plan" be received.</p> <p>2. THAT the report relates to an issue that is considered to be of low significance in terms of Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.</p> <p>3. THAT the Policy Committee approves the concept plan for Precious Family Reserve (ATTACHMENT A to this report) and directs that the Kaimai Ward Reserve Management Plan be updated accordingly.</p> <p>4. THAT the Policy Committee approves the Precious Family Reserve Decision Story (ATTACHMENT A to this report) for dissemination to those that provided feedback as the response to their feedback.</p>	Decision process completed.	COMPLETE
PP1318.2 14 Jun 2018	Adoption of Western Bay of Plenty District Council's Treasury Policy	FINANCIAL ACCOUNTANT	<p>1. THAT the Financial Accountant's report dated 4 May 2018 and titled 'Adoption of Western Bay of Plenty District Council's Treasury Policy' be received.</p> <p>2. THAT the report relates to an issue that is considered to be of low significance in terms of Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.</p> <p>3. THAT the revised Treasury Policy (Attachment A to this report) be adopted forthwith.</p>	Policy has been published on the internet. Link has been distributed to treasury advisors PwC and ETOS	COMPLETE
PP1518.1 04 Sep 2018	Review of Council's Sensitive Expenditure Policy	CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	<p>1. THAT the Chief Financial Officer's report dated 4 September 2018 and titled 'Review of Council's Sensitive Expenditure Policy' be received.</p> <p>2. THAT the report relates to an issue that is considered to be of low significance in terms of Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.</p> <p>3. THAT the Policy Committee approve the current Sensitive Expenditure Policy with recommended amendments.</p>	08/10/2018 Changes reflected in the Policy and published in the internal Policy library.	COMPLETE

Minutes of Meeting No. SG18/9 of the SmartGrowth Leadership Group held on 7 September 2018 in the Mauao Room, Bay of Plenty Regional Council, 87 First Ave, Tauranga commencing at 9:30am

Present**Independent Chairperson**

W Wasley

Bay of Plenty Regional Council

Chairman: D Leeder

Councillors: P Thompson, S Crosby, A v Dadelszen (alternate)

Tauranga City Council

Mayor: G Brownless

Councillors: L Baldock, T Molloy

Deputy Mayor: K Clout (alternate)

Western Bay of Plenty District Council

Mayor: G Webber

Councillors: M Williams, D Thwaites, M Murray-Benge (alternate)

Tangata Whenua Representatives

M Tapsell, I Walker, B Mikaere, P Ihaka

NZ Transport Agency

P McLean

Bay of Plenty District Health Board

R Scott

In Attendance**SmartGrowth**

K Tremaine – Strategic Advisor

V Jones – SmartGrowth Administrator

S Rolleston - Tu Pakari Advisor

B Fraser – Strategic Communications Consultant

Bay of Plenty Regional Council

Fiona McTavish – Chief Executive

A Fort – Senior Planner

D Phizacklea – Regional Integrated Planning Manager

J Metcalfe – Senior Transport Planner

Tauranga City Council

M Grenfell – Chief Executive

C Jones – General Manager, Growth & Infrastructure

D Spittle – Principal Strategic Advisor

A Hancock – Urban Strategy Planner

R Hudson – Team Leader: Strategy Development

A Mead – Manager: City & Infrastructure Planning

MINUTES ARE YET TO BE CONFIRMED*Confirmed by the SmartGrowth Leadership Group on 19 September 2018*

SG18/9.3

SMARTGROWTH HOUSING AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CAPACITY ASSESSMENT (PAPER A)

The SmartGrowth Housing and Business Development Capacity Assessment document sits behind the FDS document:

Key comments from committee:

3rd paragraph on page 4/18 Te Tumu/Rangiora in brackets needs more emphasis. Ken noted this will be amended.

Growth drivers for the region - young families moving into the region - Who is concerned about the children and creating new schools for the additional growth? We are looking at ageing population.

Page 27 Graph - Ken will do some simple wording.

Moved Mayor G Webber / **Seconded** Cr L Baldock

That it be Resolved

That the SmartGrowth Leadership Group

1. **Receive** the report
2. **Endorse** the SmartGrowth Housing and Business Development Capacity Assessment 2017 as final, to be made available on the SmartGrowth website during public consultation on the Future Development Strategy.

CARRIED

SG18/9.4

TRANSPORT MATTERS (PAPER B)

Moved Mayor G Brownless / **Seconded** Cr P Thompson

That it be Resolved

- a) **That** Chief Executives to urgently prepare an 'Urban Form and Transport Initiative' Terms of Reference and 'Initiative' Project Proposal which will address:
 - a. John Hutchings recommendations which includes progressing initiatives resulting from the 'Leadership and Partnerships' workstream
 - b. Concept of an 'Interim' approach to make progress now and evolve over time
 - c. 7 priority Transport System Issues

CONFIRMED

Confirmed by the SmartGrowth Leadership Group on 19 September 2018

SG18/9.5

**FUTURE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY - FINAL DRAFT FOR
CONSIDERATION AND RECOMMEND ITS APPROVAL FOR
CONSULTATION (PAPER C)**

Final draft of FDS has been prepared and recommended for approval

Proposed FDS – What is new?

- A lot of detail moved into appendices to make document easier to read
- New national context section
- New sub-regional issues section
- New Our Development history section
- General risks covered in sub-regional issues and other sections, specific implementation risks under 'Key Risks to Delivering Sufficient Development Capacity'

Next Steps

- Separate report on consultation and engagement process
- The Proposed FDS, as notified, will be sent to MBIE/MfE for any feedback – they will provide ongoing input through the drafting process
- Consultation will occur in October / November and SLG workshop in December to discuss input received
- Any updated version of Proposed FDS will be submitted to the government by 31 December 2018
- Recommended that final SLG decisions be deferred until early 2019 – once we know the outcomes of NZTA evaluations relating to key State highway projects. Also allows time for any amendments arising from feedback from government officials.

**The Committee expressed gratitude to Ken, Adam and the team.
Floor opened for comments from the Committee:**

- Appendix 1 Page 3 under Accessibility: Remove the sentence below: Settlement pattern options were assessed to result in the most efficient transport system.
- GPS & NPS - Have a conversation at the front of the document explaining that there is not currently full alignment between the land and transport alignment. Note we are working hard to work towards getting these connections.
- Photographs in the FDS document need to show the current situation in regards transport congestion.
- Affordability – It was noted the committee would like to see stronger emphasis in the FDS document in regards to affordability. Reviewing how do we achieve this? What does it look like and mean? How to pay for infrastructure and the ability to deliver affordable housing.
- Rail – Attention to this in regards to passenger and freight. Bay of Plenty rail strategy needs to go into this discussion.

CONFIRMED

Confirmed by the SmartGrowth Leadership Group on 19 September 2018

- SmartGrowth monthly newsletter
- Media releases
- Hui with Maori land trusts
- Social media postings
- Information on partner websites
- Komiti Maori updates
- Newspaper notifications
- Direct emails to SmartGrowth stakeholders

Next steps:

- Staff summarise points from meetings and submissions
- Staff produce issues and options paper
- SLG consider paper at December meeting
- Feedback on the Tauranga Urban Strategy will also be sent to TCC's City Transformation Committee

Floor opened for questions/comments:

- Overall, general support for the approach with no hearings, various community conversations and a range of communications tactics
- Some calls to hold more meetings eg Don Thwaites and Omokoroa, Cr L Baldock more meetings in Tauranga
- Need to resource forums to enable them to get out to their networks eg Environment Forum and Social Sector Forum would hold their own meetings and use a writer to sum up their points and then present these to SLG
- No formal presentations to SLG but perhaps informal discussions in a workshop setting
- Create TUS cheat sheet for SLG members to have when hosting community conversations in Te Puke and Katikati
- Create specific discussion questions for each meeting to ensure that they are relevant for the people there
- Work with other organisations eg Te Puke Edge and Katch Katikati to support them to run their own meetings
- Messages in FDS will shock some Maori communities – need to emphasise kinship links to land to resonate with those people

The Committee acknowledge the work completed in regards to communication and engagement.

Moved Mayor G Webber / Seconded Mayor G Brownless

That it be Resolved

That the SmartGrowth Leadership Group

1. **Receives** the report
2. **Approves** the communications and engagement aspects for consultations outlined above
3. **Notes** the Community Conversations component and agrees to attend appropriate meetings
4. **Notes** that the consultation period will be from Friday 5 October ending on Monday 5 November

CARRIED

CONFIRMED

Confirmed by the SmartGrowth Leadership Group on 19 September 2018

Minutes of the Regional Transport Committee Meeting held in Mauao Rooms, Bay of Plenty Regional Council Building, 87 First Avenue, Tauranga on Friday, 14 September 2018 commencing at 9.30 a.m.

Present:

Chairman: S Crosby (Bay of Plenty Regional Council)

Deputy Chairman: J Nees (Bay of Plenty Regional Council)

Appointees: Mayor A Bonne - Whakatāne District Council, Councillor R Curach - Tauranga City Council, Councillor B Julian - Alternate, Kawerau District Council, Councillor K Young - Alternate, Opotiki District Council, P McLean - Regional Director Waikato/BOP, New Zealand Transport Agency, Councillor J Palmer - Alternate, Western Bay of Plenty District Council, A Talbot - Alternate, New Zealand Transport Agency

In Attendance: Bay of Plenty Regional Council: Namouta Poutasi – General Manager: Strategy and Science (Acting), Fiona McTavish – Chief Executive, Garry Maloney – Transport Policy Manager; T Nerdrum-Smith – Committee Advisor

Cr Cronin, Cr Bruning and Cr von Dadelszen

Other: J Galbraith - Port Advisor and D Kneebone - Property & Infrastructure Manager - Port of Tauranga, Mark Hasley - NZTA, Rob Campbell – NZTA, Cr M Gould - Rotorua Lakes Council, Glen Crowther – Sustainable Business Network

Apologies: Mayor S Chadwick - Rotorua Lakes Council; Deputy Mayor D Donaldson - Alternate, Rotorua Lakes Council, Councillor D Thwaites - Western Bay of Plenty District Council, Mayor M Campbell - Kawerau District Council, Mayor J Forbes - Opotiki District Council, Brent Crowe - Safety Advisor, BoP District Police

1 **Apologies**

Resolved

That the Regional Transport Committee:

- 1 Accepts the apologies from Mayor S Chadwick - Rotorua Lakes Council; Deputy Mayor D Donaldson - Alternate, Rotorua Lakes Council, Councillor D Thwaites - Western Bay of Plenty District Council, Mayor M Campbell - Kawerau District Council, Mayor J Forbes - Opotiki District Council and Brent Crowe - Safety Advisor, BoP District Police tendered at the meeting.

Julian/Bonne
CARRIED

2 Public Forum

Glen Crowther - Sustainable Business Network, presented on the Tauranga Transport Alignment Project (TTAP).

PowerPoint Presentation – Reference A2964272

Key Points of Presentation

- The Wider Context
- Climate Change: BoP Context
- Cut Emissions by 1/3 by 2030
- No Need to Delay
- Tauranga Transport Alignment Project
- TTAP – 5 Point Plan
- Congestion Free PT Network
- TTAP Goals
- National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) Funding
- NLTP Public Transport Funding
- Our Proposal
- Cost of Free Fares for Children.

Presenter in Response to Questions

- Recognised that 'drastic' measures were required to make a positive difference in carbon emissions
- Central Government had clearly indicated its wish for Regional Plans to have targets around reduction of emissions.

Key Points – Members

- A second Government Policy Statement, which included climate change considerations, was being progressed
- Recognised that the New Zealand roading network was not set up well for a combination of transport options
- Regional Council had dedicated funds and resources to implementing a free bus trial in Welcome Bay
- Research clearly indicated that making roads wider did not encouraged alternative modes of transport, rather it caused increased vehicle movements
- Adding bus lanes on SH2 between Tauranga and Katikati should not be seen as a 'magic bullet' as increased service would also be required for public transport to become a genuine alternative to personal vehicle use.

Staff Follow-up

- Presenter to meet with Regional Council staff to discuss the TTAP proposal and establish clarity with regards to alignment with Regional Council targets.

3 Acceptance of Late Items

Nil

4 General Business

A discussion would be held later in the meeting with regards to the current and future role of the Committee.

5 Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

Nil

6 Previous Minutes

6.1 Regional Transport Committee Minutes - 15 June 2018

Noted that a minor amendment would be made as follows: Item 2 – Public Forum – Carole Gordon – add to 2nd bullet "...including use of AV shuttles."

Resolved

That the Regional Transport Committee:

- 1 Confirms the Regional Transport Committee minutes - 15 June 2018.

Nees/Palmer
CARRIED

7 Reports

7.1 Update from Committee Members and Advisors

Dan Kneebone – Port of Tauranga

- The Port had posted a strong result for the 2017-18 financial year
- The approaching Annual General Meeting would include the current focus on sustainability
- The traffic congestion in Totara Street was a focus for the Port, as well as the community.

John Galbraith – Port of Tauranga

- The annual Careers Expo had attracted around 130 students to the transport/logistics initiative
- Was in the process of setting up a logistics cadetship via Toi Ohomai, however was still awaiting NZQA approval, which meant the deadline for implementation in 2019 could be missed.
- A collaboration of the region's economic development agencies was in the process of submitting an expression of interest to the Provincial Growth Fund for an integrated approach to transport and logistics in the Bay of Plenty. If successful, the consortium would support from the Regional Transport Committee in regards to subsequent applications to the Fund.

Cr Young – Ōpōtiki District Council

- Ōpōtiki Harbour development had not been funded at the level originally sought
- The road entrance to Ōpōtiki was an unattractive and 'grubby' bridge and encouraged NZTA to contribute towards an upgrade

- Road resilience needed to be further addressed as lengthy closures due to slips had significant impact.

Cr Julian – Kawerau District Council

- Projects included:
 - Roothing connection from the industrial area to the container terminal
 - Inclusion of the roundabout development in the Provincial Growth Fund (PGF)
 - Completed design for culvert structure to deal with stormwater
 - Cycle track to Tarawera Lake was progressing at a reasonable pace.

Mayor Bonne – Whakatāne District Council

- A high level meeting between Ōpōtiki District Council, Kawerau District Council and Whakatāne District Council was scheduled for the following week
- Was seeking PGF funding towards improvement of roads to allow for increased freight movement
- Safe freight alignment between Ōpōtiki and Whakatāne was a positive project
- Was working with Tuai regarding upgrade of the gravel road to Lake Waikaremoana
- The estimated cost of the damage caused by Cyclone Debbie had reached \$23m.

Cr Crosby – Bay of Plenty Regional Council (Tauranga)

- Recognised the presentation by the Eastern Regional Leadership Group at the 6 September 2018 Regional Council meeting
- The SmartGrowth partnership was undertaking significant work in the transport field
- John Hutching was carrying out interviews as part of this work
- John Hannah was overseeing a gap analysis of the current Western Bay Sub-regional transport network, with changes expected
- There was a need to engage at a strategic level with NZTA, which could be driven by Bay of Plenty Mayors/Chairs.

Cr Palmer – Western Bay District Council

- Funding was in place for the \$13m Ōmokoroa to Tauranga cycleway
- Hoped to have the Ōmokoroa to Wairoa River section finished by Christmas 2018
- Noted the four fatalities at Western Bay of Plenty roads this week and the increasing level of concerns in the community
- A hikoī would be closing the Wairoa Bridge for 30 minutes on Sunday afternoon, followed by a public meeting organised by Bay of Plenty MP Todd Mueller
- Structure plans for new residential developments in Ōmokoroa was scheduled for release next week. However, this might be negatively impacted by the significant concerns regarding the dangerous SH2 access.

Parekawhia McLean – New Zealand Transport Agency

- Current focus: National Land Transport Programme (NLTP); Provincial Growth Fund (PGF); passenger rail Hamilton – Auckland (and possibly Tauranga); Auckland - Hamilton corridor programme, which could have potential for Western Bay of Plenty
- 12 SH maintenance programmes were currently in place
- Reprioritisation of the Bay of Plenty region in the NLTP would be considered by the NZTA Board
- Noted the integrated transport planning approach between NZTA and other major entities, e.g. District Health Boards.

Rob Campbell – New Zealand Transport Agency

- There were no funding specifically dedicated to cleaning bridges, as this was not considered a priority within the NZTA Resilience and Maintenance programme

- Recognised that the slips on SH35 meant ongoing closures and there were a number of resilience programmes in place for SH35 and SH2.

10.32 am Dan Kneebone withdrew from the meeting.

Cr Curach – Tauranga City Council

- Stocktake of projects and a gap analysis report was being prepared prior to the SmartGrowth Leadership workshop on the proposed strategic transport hub
- Progressing the Totara Street cycleway project
- Investigations into CBD bus interchange location were ongoing
- Currently identifying options for a permanent interchange at Arataki
- In the process of developing a citywide parking plan
- The Hairini bus lane had resulted in increased bus use
- Greerton roading project was nearing completion.

Cr Gould – Rotorua Lakes Council

- Was seeking funding assistance for storm damage that occurred during the 2017-18 year, with costs currently totalling \$7m
- Maori signage had been erected in key intersections and would be continued in the wider area
- A cycleway route through Rotorua CBD was being discussed.

Cr Crosby – Bay of Plenty Regional Council (Tauranga) – Continued

- Activities and movement, rather than the size of the population, was the driving force behind NZTA funding. For instance, Eastern Bay of Plenty's commercial growth would exceed population growth and generate significant traffic movements
- The Totara Street/Hewlett Road intersection should be a priority project.

Cr Nees – Bay of Plenty Regional Council (Western Bay of Plenty)

- Emphasised the importance of the Bay of Plenty region's key priorities being identified to Central Government as part of the new Government Policy Statement and National Land Transport Programme.

Resolved

That the Regional Transport Committee under its delegated authority:

- 1 Receives the report, Update from Committee Members and Advisors.

Curach/Crosby
CARRIED

10.50 am The meeting adjourned

7.2 New Zealand Transport Agency Update

PowerPoint presentation – Reference A2962780

Parekawhia McLean and Alistair Talbot – NZTA presented this item.

Key Points of Presentation

- Operating Framework
- A new direction

- A record investment
- 2018-28 NLTP by activity class
- 2018-21 NLTP by the regions
- A safe system
- Liveable cities
- Thriving regions
- Focus on environment and public health
- Supporting locally – delivered activities.

Presenters in Response to Questions

- 'Regional improvements' was aimed at provincial, rather than urban, areas and could include the State Highway network
- As the re-evaluation of the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) was not yet completed, there was at this stage no funding allocated to some projects seen as priorities in the Bay of Plenty.
- Funding for additional projects, would come over and above what was already allocated in the NLTP
- There was significant pressure to operate the State Highway maintenance programme with increasing efficiencies
- Central Government was scheduled to review the Safe System
- NZTA received State Highway accident reports from the Police, who was also responsible for any reporting to the respective councils
- Enhanced Funding Assistant Rate (FAR) would include five new national level programmes
- A project included in the advanced FAR required 'high results alignment'; 80% completion; and it could be for minor improvements.

Key Points – Members

- Concerned regarding the inadequate allocation of funding to the Bay of Plenty, in particular when considering the rate of growth and in comparison to other regions
- Noted that detailed information was provided to the Western Bay Road Safety Committee that should be adaptable for the Regional Transport Committee as part of the NZTA report
- 'Safety System' did not appear to include driving ability, which was a significant factor in road incidents.

Staff Follow-up

- Future NZTA reporting to the Committee to include higher level of detail regarding:
 - Accidents on SH2 and SH29 for the past three years
 - Time/place/timing/type of accidents
 - Number of vehicles involved
 - Type of injuries/fatalities
 - Condition of the road; road classification; barriers; visibility/intersections
 - Contributing factors, e.g. speed, drugs, alcohol.

Resolved

That the Regional Transport Committee:

- 1 Receives the report, New Zealand Transport Agency Update;
- 2 Acknowledges there are three State Highway corridor projects in the Bay of Plenty that are under review and all or in-parts may be added to the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) in 2019;
- 3 Expresses concerns that the Bay of Plenty components of the NLTP does not meet the needs of the Bay of Plenty, in particular in the areas of safety and capacity;
- 4 Notes that the Bay of Plenty Regional Transport Committee would like NZTA to work more closely with the Committee and constituent councils on transport planning and delivery.

Crosby/Curach
CARRIED

7.3 **Comparison between the National Land Transport Programme and the Regional Land Transport Plan**

Garry Maloney – Transport Policy Manager presented this item.

Key Points

- Noted that the NZTA website had been updated with more recent information since the agenda was issued
- The NLTP was under review by Central Government.

NZTA in Response to Questions

- The Rotorua Weigh Station had not been included in the Weigh Right study.

Resolved

That the Regional Transport Committee:

- 1 Receives the report, Comparison between the National Land Transport Programme and the Regional Land Transport Plan.

Julian/Crosby
CARRIED

7.4 **Regional Land Transport Plan Variations**

Resolved

That the Regional Transport Committee:

- 1 Receives the report, Regional Land Transport Plan variations;
- 2 Adds the Rotorua Lakefront and Whakarewarewa Forest activities to the Bay of Plenty Regional Land Transport Plan 2018;

- 3 Adds the Kawerau Container Terminal activity to the Bay of Plenty Regional Land Transport Plan 2018; and
- 4 Determines that the proposed variations are not significant for the purposes of public consultation.

Mayor Bonne/Crosby
CARRIED

8 General Business

Role of the Regional Transport Committee

Key Points – Members

- Being a Statutory Committee meant its Terms of Reference were relatively prescriptive
- Sought feedback from the Members regarding what the Committee could achieve within its legislative boundaries with regards to forward planning, strategies and advocacy on behalf of the Bay of Plenty region
- Encouraged increased regional and inter-regional relationship building and cooperation
- Suggested a pro-active approach by staff to identify opportunities for the Committee to pursue
- Recognised that some issues should be more actively pursued, e.g. road safety
- Changes to the Land Transport Act could impact on the Committee's responsibilities and any such changes be flagged as early as possible
- Rail was an important part of the roading network and should be higher on the Committee's 'radar'
- Suggested that Kiwi Rail be invited to address the Committee at a future meeting.

Staff Follow-up

- Chair and Deputy Chair to meet with staff regarding the points raised by Members and report back to the next meeting of the Committee.

The meeting closed at 12.13 pm

Confirmed DATE

Cr Stuart Crosby
Chairperson – Regional Transport Committee