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Committee Council
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Submission – Toward 2040: Smart Green Wellington

1. Purpose

To seek approval of a submission on the Wellington City Council (WCC) document *Toward 2040: Smart Green Wellington* (Wellington 2040).

2. Decision-making process and significance

Officers have considered the significance of the matter, taking into account the Council's significance policy and decision-making guidelines. As the paper puts forward a submission to an external agency, no decision is required from the Council and officers recommend that the matter be considered to have low significance.

3. Background

WCC recently released Wellington 2040 for comment.

Wellington 2040 aims to build a resilient city under the banner of a 'smart green Wellington'. It does so by setting goals in four key areas – people centred city, connected city, eco-city and dynamic central city.

From a corporate perspective, the purpose of Wellington 2040 is to provide a framework for decision-making and resource allocation for WCC's future activities.

The Wellington 2040 framework comprises the following components:

- A high level strategy document - describes the challenges facing Wellington and sets out the vision, goals and high level actions
- The Central City Framework - provides recommendations to improve the built form of the Central City, based on an urban design based analysis
- A Digital Strategy for Wellington – sets out key strategic actions required for Wellington to be globally recognised as a creative digital city.

Greater Wellington's submission covers all aspects of Wellington 2040. It has been prepared with input from all relevant business areas, including Public Transport, Environmental Management, Strategy and Community Engagement and Emergency Management.

4. Focus of Greater Wellington's submission

Greater Wellington's submission is focused on key matters of regional interest and Greater Wellington business. The submission is appended as **Attachment 1**.

The high level strategy and the Digital Strategy cover similar ground to the Wellington Regional Strategy. Responding to this, the submission seeks clarification and improved recognition of the role of the wider region in achieving the vision and goals of Wellington 2040.

More explicit provision for the role of public transport is also raised as an area of particular interest to Greater Wellington, as is the need to consider the implications of earthquake prone buildings.

5. Communication

No communications are necessary at this time.

6. Recommendations

That the Council:

1. ***Receives the report.***
2. ***Notes the contents of the report.***
3. ***Approves the attached submission.***

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Attachment 1: Submission from Greater Wellington on Wellington 2040