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Report on the Regional Transport Committee meeting 8 November 2012

1. Purpose

To inform the Council about the meeting of the Regional Transport Committee that took place on 8 November 2012.

2. The decision-making process and significance

No decision is being sought in this report.

3. Report

3.1 Sustainable Transport annual achievement report

Melanie Thornton, Manager, Sustainable Transport, presented a report to the Committee highlighting the achievements over the past year with sustainable transport initiatives.

There has been good progress made with the School Travel Plan with four new schools in the region enrolling. The Plan is focused on developing and implementing safe and sustainable travel to school initiatives. The Committee discussed developing a school carpooling website which might contribute towards reducing the number of children being driven to school in the region.

3.2 Comparison between Wellington Regional Land Transport Programme 2012-15 and NZTA's Wellington National Land Transport Programme 2012-15

Lyndon Hammond from NZTA gave a presentation on the National Land Transport Programme 2012-15 (the Programme). The Programme identifies the funding allocations and priorities for the various activity classes over the next three years. The Committee noted the key themes of supporting economic growth, value for money and improving safety. Continued investment in public

transport infrastructure and service improvement was noted as being a key investment area for NZTA.

3.3 Land Transport Management Amendment Bill 2012

Greater Wellington Regional Council, along with other local authorities in the region, made a submission on the Land Transport Management Amendment Bill 2012 (the Bill). While the overall intention of the Bill to streamline planning and funding processes is in general supported, there are some areas of common concern including the Bill's relationship to Resource Management Act processes and an insufficient focus on an integrated approach to transport. The Transport and Industrial Relations Select Committee is due to report back to Parliament on the Bill in the new year.

4. Recommendations

That the Council:

1. *Receives the report.*
2. *Notes the content of the report.*

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