

## Legislative requirements – summary

The statutory requirements for preparing the RPTP are set out in Part 5 of the Land Transport Management Act 2003 (LTMA). The statutory purpose of the RPTP is to provide:

- A means for encouraging regional councils and public transport operators to work together in developing public transport services and infrastructure; and
- An instrument for engaging with the public in the region on the design and operation of the public transport network; and
- A statement of the public transport services that are integral to the public transport network; the policies and procedures that apply to those services; and the information and infrastructure that support those services.

Section 120 of the LTMA requires that the regional public transport plan must

- identify the public transport services that are integral to the public transport network that the regional council proposes to provide; and
- provide an outline of the routes, frequency, and hours of operation of the services; and
- arrange all of the public transport services into units and indicate the date the unit will start operating;
- identify any taxi services or shuttle services for which the regional council intends to provide financial assistance; and
- describe how the network of public transport services and the services will assist the transport-disadvantaged; and
- specify any objectives and policies that are to apply to any units
- include policies on
  - accessibility, quality, and performance; and
  - fares and the method or formula or other basis for setting and reviewing those fares; and
  - the process for establishing units; and
  - the approach that will be taken to procuring the delivery of the service or services in a unit; and
  - how the procurement of units will be phased in over time; and
  - managing, monitoring, and evaluating the performance of units.

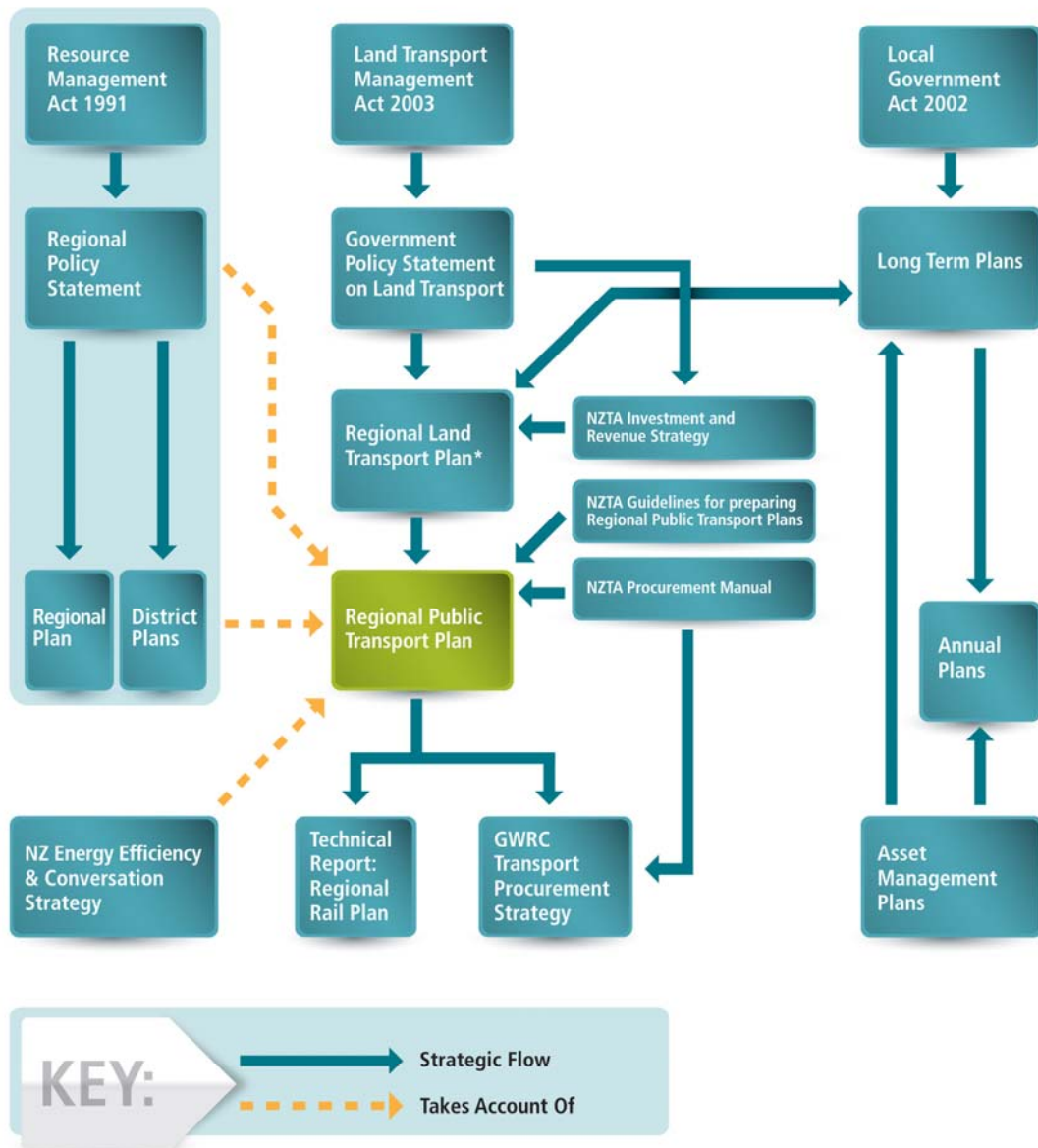
Section 124 of the LTMA requires Greater Wellington Regional Council, before adopting the RPTP, to be satisfied that the RPTP:

- contributes to the purpose of the LTMA;
- has been prepared in accordance with any relevant guidelines issued by the NZTA; and
- is consistent with the *regional land transport plan*
- has applied the principles specified in section 115 (1) of the LTMA, including:
  - Greater Wellington Regional Council and public transport operators should work in partnership to deliver the public transport services and infrastructure necessary to meet the needs of passengers
  - The provision of services should be coordinated with the aim of achieving the levels of integration, reliability, frequency, and coverage necessary to encourage passenger growth
  - Competitors should have access to regional public transport markets to increase confidence that services are priced efficiently
  - Incentives should exist to reduce reliance on public subsidies to cover the cost of providing services

- The planning and procurement of services should be transparent.

Under the transitional provisions in section 156 (2) of the LTMA, any RPTP that is adopted or varied before 30 June 2015 must take the public transport components of the RLTS into account, and must not be inconsistent with the regional land transport programme.

## Relationship with other Plans



\*Replaces the existing Regional Land Transport Strategy and Regional Land Transport Programme