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## National Ticketing Update

### 1. Purpose

To inform the Council of the proposed new partnership approach for the development of a National Ticketing Programme. Details of the proposed partnership between the local government transport authorities and the NZ Transport Agency are set out in a report recently prepared for the Regional Sector Group of Local Government New Zealand (Attachment 1).

### 2. Consideration by Committee

The matters contained in this report were considered by the Sustainable Transport Committee (Committee) at its meeting on 16 February 2016 (Report 16.27 refers). The recommendations of this report were endorsed by the Committee for the Council's consideration and decision.

### 3. Background

During 2014-15, the Council worked on investigation phases of Integrated Fares and Ticketing (IFT). The work was collaborative in nature as funding for IFT is linked with NZ Transport Agency funding and integration with a national ticketing approach.

In November 2015, the NZ Transport Agency wrote to the Council and other regions, advising that regional ticketing solutions would be best progressed through the extension of the existing Auckland 'Hop' ticketing system.

Feedback from the Council and a consortium of regional councils has resulted in a change of approach at the National level, and a revision of the leadership and governance arrangements for the National Ticketing Programme.

### 4. Comment

Details of the proposed approach are set out in the paper to the Regional Sector Group set out in Attachment 1. This will define and provide guidance on the

procurement approach for the Council's Integrated Fares and Ticketing (IFT) project.

Officers from Greater Wellington Regional Council have been actively involved in setting up the new partnership approach, and (subject to endorsement by the Committee and Council) will continue to play an active role in developing the national solution for ticketing.

An immediate issue for the Council relates to timing and the need for an interim solution in preparation for PTOM Bus. This is the subject of a separate paper.

## **5. The decision-making process and significance**

### **5.1 Significance**

The matters requiring decision in this report have been considered by officers against the requirements of Part 6 of the Local Government Act 2002 (the Act). Part 6 sets out the obligations of local authorities in relation to the making of decisions. It requires Greater Wellington Regional Council to consider the significance of the decision. The term "significance" has a statutory definition set out in the Act.

Officers have considered the significance of the matter, taking the Council's significance and engagement policy and decision-making guidelines into account. Officers recommend that the matter be considered to have low significance.

### **5.2 Engagement**

Engagement on the matters contained in this report aligns with the level of significance assessed. In accordance with the significance and engagement policy, no engagement on the matters for decision is required.

## **6. Recommendations**

*That Council:*

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report - including Attachment 1, which sets out the proposed partnership approach for the development of a National Ticketing Programme.*
- 3. Notes that officers will continue to be actively involved in the partnership, alongside the NZ Transport Agency and other regions.*
- 4. Endorses the proposed partnership approach for the development of a National Ticketing Programme.*

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**Attachment 1:** Report from proposed National Ticketing Steering Group on proposed partnership for National Ticketing Programme