
MINUTES
of the
**JOINT NELSON TASMAN REGIONAL TRANSPORT
COMMITTEE MEETING**
Komiti Te Kawenga Rohe o Nelson Tasman
held
1.00 pm, Friday, 11 August 2023
at
Tasman Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond

Present: **Tasman District Council:** Deputy Mayor S Bryant (Chair), Councillor B Dowler and alternates Councillors C Butler and J Ellis

Nelson City Council: Deputy Mayor R O'Neill-Stevens and alternates Councillors M Courtney (voting member in the absence of Mayor N Smith) and J Hodgson

Waka Kotahi Representative: Ms E Speight

In Attendance: **Tasman District Council:**
Group Manager Service & Strategy (J Ridd), Strategic Planning Manager (D Fletcher), Transportation Manager (J McPherson), Transportation Planning Advisor (J Murray), Team Leader – Democracy Services (E Stephenson) and Executive Support Officer (A Brough)

Nelson City Council:

Group Manager Infrastructure (A Louverdis), Transport Manager (D Bryant)

1 OPENING, WELCOME

The Chair invited Strategic Planning Manager, Dwayne Fletcher to open the meeting with a karakia.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

**Moved Councillor Dowler/Deputy Mayor O'Neill-Stevens
NTRTC23-08-1**

That an apology be accepted from Mayor N Smith.

CARRIED

3 PUBLIC FORUM

Nil

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**Moved Deputy Mayor O'Neill-Stevens/Councillor Dowler
NTRTC23-08-2**

That the minutes of the Joint Nelson Tasman Regional Transport Committee meeting held on Friday, 5 May 2023, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

**Moved Councillor Dowler/Deputy Mayor O'Neill-Stevens
NTRTC23-08-3**

That the confidential minutes of the Joint Nelson Tasman Regional Transport Committee meeting held on Friday, 5 May 2023, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

6 PRESENTATIONS

6.1 Waka Kotahi Update

Waka Kotahi Representative, Emma Speight, provided a PowerPoint presentation which is available on Council's website in the Minutes Attachment document. Ms Speight highlighted:

National Update

- 2021-24 National Land Transport Plan delivery
- Tū ake, Tū maia, Waka Kotahi's Refreshed Regulatory Strategy for 2023 - 2032
- Driver licensing system
- Regional driver licensing programmes

Regional Update

- Interim Speed Management Plan
- State Highway (SH) 6 vegetation control
- SH60 Shoulder widening

- SH6 Whakatū Drive shared path upgrade and SH60 safety improvements
- Maintenance and Operations overview.

Ms Speight answered questions regarding:

- Ruby Bay Bypass frequency of road condition checks – Ms Speight to follow up
- SH6 Wangamoa recovery contractors - Ms Speight to follow up and inform Councillor Courtney
- Speed Management Plan process and timeframe
- Coordination between the Speed Management Plan and State Highway Management Plan and possible inconsistencies in rural areas
- Concerns regarding speeds by Auckland Point School on SH6 – Ms Speight to find out about that section of SH6 and inform Councillor Courtney
- Resilience work would be ongoing on the riverbank side of Devil's Bluff cliff.

Attachment 1 Waka Kotahi PowerPoint Presentation

7 REPORTS

7.1 Proposed Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP) Changes August 2023

Tasman District Council Transportation Planning Advisor, Jane Murray, and Nelson City Council Transport Manager, Drew Bryant, presented the report and explained the rationale for the proposed variations.

Questions and discussion included:

- A possible future Motueka passing lane – viability would depend on volumes, this could be looked at in the future, a slow vehicle passing lane may be more suitable
- Safety funding was available, this had been reallocated from work not able to be completed in the north island
- Bus interchange – funding requested for this financial year was for design work, construction work would be included in Nelson City Council's Long Term Plan (LTP)
- The new RLTP would cover funding past this financial year.

Moved Deputy Mayor O'Neill-Stevens/Councillor Courtney
NTRTC23-08-4

That the Joint Nelson Tasman Regional Transport Committee

- 1. receives the Proposed Regional Land Transport Plan Changes August 2023 report; and**
- 2. recommends to the Joint Committee of Tasman District and Nelson City that it approve variations to the Te Tau Ihu Regional Land Transport Plan to include the following projects, starting in 2023/24:**
 - a) State Highway 60 Harley Road to Mapua Drive Median Barrier \$3m; and**
 - b) State Highway 60 Mapua Drive to Maisey Road Widening and Safety \$3m; and**
 - c) Nelson City Centre Bus Interchange as a significant project, \$5m (increase of \$3m).**

CARRIED

7.2 Public Transport

Mr Bryant spoke to the background of the report and answered questions regarding:

- The rationale for the proposed change to the Transport Advertising Guidelines about alcohol advertising on buses – the guidelines currently classed alcohol with tobacco, and this proposal moved it out to be a standalone item, the Councils have their own functions, for example, the Wine and Beer Festival, and would like to advertise them on buses, this was not possible under the current guidelines
- Concerns this could lead to undesirable alcohol advertising – this would be brought back to the Committee if advertising went beyond what was intended
- Confirmation that the contractor purchased and supplied the eBus fleet, not Council.

Moved Councillor Dowler/Ms Speight

NTRTC23-08-5

That the Joint Nelson Tasman Regional Transport Committee:

- 1. receives the Public Transport report; and**
- 2. approves retrospectively the half-price NBus fares from 1 July to 31 July 2023 noting that this attracts an additional cost of around \$50,000 split between Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council (77%/23% split); and**
- 3. recommends that Nelson City Council approves increasing the public transport budgets by \$38,500 to cover the half-price NBus fares from 1 July to 31 July 2023; and**
- 4. notes that Tasman District Council staff consider that the \$11,500 can be absorbed within existing budgets; and**
- 5. approves a variation to the Fares Policy to incorporate central government four year fare reduction initiatives for children and youth noting that the cost will be fully funded by Waka Kotahi; and**
- 6. notes the initiatives by Tasman District Council to progress Community Transport Services; and**
- 7. notes the changes to the Transport Advertising Guidelines in Attachment 1 to the agenda report.**

CARRIED

8 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

8.1 Procedural motion to exclude the public

Moved Deputy Mayor O'Neill-Stevens/Councillor Dowler

NTRTC23-08-6

That the public be excluded from the following part(s) of the proceedings of this meeting. The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is

excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution follows.

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

8.2 Public Transport Services Contract Updates

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Particular interest(s) protected (where applicable)	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.	s7(2)(h) - The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.	s48(1)(a) The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.

CARRIED

RESTATEMENTS

It was resolved while the public was excluded:

8.2 Public Transport Services Contract Updates

NTRTC23-08-7

That the Joint Nelson Tasman Regional Transport Committee:

5. agrees that the decision and report remain confidential at this time.

The meeting concluded at 2.25pm.

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings by resolution on 27 October 2023.

NTRTC23-10-8

That the minutes of the Joint Nelson Tasman Regional Transport Committee meeting held on Friday, 11 August 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.