
MINUTES
of the
**JOINT NELSON TASMAN REGIONAL TRANSPORT
COMMITTEE MEETING**
held
1.30 pm, Friday, 2 December 2022
at
**Wangapeka Room, Tasman District Council, 189 Queen
Street, Richmond**

Present:

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

Nelson City Council: Mayor N Smith, Deputy Mayor R O'Neill-Stevens, Councillor M Courtney (alternate) and J Hodgson (alternate)

Waka Kotahi: Director Regional Relationships, Greater Wellington & Top of the South (E Speight)

In Attendance:

Tasman District Council: Group Manager – Service and Strategy (J Ridd), Group Manager - Community Infrastructure (R Kirby), Activity Planning Manager (D L Fletcher), Executive Assistant to the Mayor (R Scherer) and Executive Support Officer (L Winchester)

Nelson City Council: Group Manager – Infrastructure (A Louverdis), Manager – Transport & Solid Waste (M Parfitt), Team Leader – Transport Activity Management (D Bryant), Transport Planner (S McAuley) and Transport Planner (W Rice)

Part Attendance:

1 OPENING, WELCOME

Deputy Mayor Bryant welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited Mr Fletcher to offer the opening karakia.

Mayor Smith noted that the Land Transport Management Act 2003 does not allow adequate representation for a joint regional transport committee of two unitary councils. He advised that he

and Tasman District Mayor King had agreed that the Joint Nelson Tasman Regional Transport Committee would include two representatives from each council as well as two alternate representatives from each council. The following resolution was agreed.

Moved Mayor Smith/Councillor Dowler/Smith

TRTC22-12-1

That Nelson City Council and Tasman District Council agree:

- 1. that the two nominated alternate members from each council will receive full agendas and hold full speaking rights at Nelson Tasman Joint Regional Transport Committee meetings; and**
- 2. that if an appointed member of the Nelson Tasman Joint Regional Transport Committee cannot attend a committee meeting, the alternate representative from that council will have full voting rights for that meeting.**

CARRIED

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Moved Councillor Dowler/Mayor Smith

TRTC22-12-2

That apologies for lateness from Nelson City Council Deputy Mayor O'Neill-Stevens and from Councillor J Hodgson be accepted.

CARRIED

3 PUBLIC FORUM

Nil

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mayor Smith noted that he is a Director of Smith Crane and Construction and that his role with the company will cease as at 31 December 2022.

6 PRESENTATIONS

6.1 Waka Kotahi (NZTA) Update

Kotahi's activities in the top of the South.

Deputy Mayor R O'Neill-Stevens joined the meeting at 1.41 pm.

Waka Kotahi Director Regional Relationships, Emma Speight provided an update on Waka Kotahi's activities in the top of the South.

Councillor Dowler noted that the cobblestone pavement used on the State Highway 60 roundabout at Motueka needs to be inspected to ensure the cobbles are sufficiently ground.

The issue of overgrown vegetation on roundabouts on the state highway network was

discussed. Ms Speight noted that stricter safety requirements mean that maintenance of the vegetation comes at a significant cost to Waka Kotahi. Ms Speight advised that a maintenance programme for these roundabouts will be in place early in the new year.

In response to Waka Kotahi's plans for a shared use path upgrade on State Highway 6 at Whakatū Drive, Mayor Smith said he would prefer to see investment in extending the cycleways north of Nelson around the Glen. Ms Speight agreed to investigate this option as part of the Regional Land Transport Programme.

Ms Speight acknowledged the severe traffic congestion issues caused during the closure for resealing of Whakatū Drive over the weekend of 5-6 November 2022. Ms Speight acknowledged that a closure of this size needs wider consultation with both the councils and the community. Mayor Smith suggested that Waka Kotahi should apologise to the community for the disruption. Ms Speight apologised on behalf of Waka Kotahi.

Councillor Dowler noted that the reseal work on SH60, Ruby Bay Bypass had been well managed.

7 REPORTS

7.1 Transport Planning Update

Tasman District Council Strategic Policy Manager, Dwayne Fletcher and Nelson City Council Team Leader – Transport Activity Management, Drew Bryant) spoke to the report which was taken as read.

In response to a comment regarding transport planning staff shortages, Mayor Smith suggested that the two councils could share transport planning resources in a similar way as other joint projects such as wastewater and landfill management.

It was noted that both councils would be working on a joint Speed Management Plan, a joint Regional Land Transport Plan and a joint Public Transport Plan for Nelson-Tasman.

Moved Mayor Smith/Councillor Dowler

TRTC22-12-3

That the Nelson Tasman Joint Regional Transport Committee receives the Transport Planning Update Report RTRTC22-12-2.

CARRIED

7.2 Public Transport Update

Mr Fletcher and Mr Bryant presented the report which was taken as read.

The Committee discussed the implementation of the new NBus service and routes which are due to start on 1 July 2023. It was agreed that the Joint Nelson Tasman Regional Transport Committee should have governance oversight of the new service. Staff will prepare a report for the committee ensuring that any risks and how they will be managed are taken into account.

It was agreed that a Joint Nelson Tasman Regional Transport Committee meeting will be scheduled in early February to discuss the implementation of the new bus service any risks that need to be considered.

Moved Councillor Dowler/Ms Speight

That the Nelson Tasman Joint Regional Transport Committee receives the Public Transport Update Report RTRTC22-12-3

CARRIED

8 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Nil

Mr Fletcher offered the closing karakia and the meeting concluded at 3.05 pm.

Confirmed as a correct record of proceedings by resolution on 13 February 2023.

TRTC23-02-4

That the amended minutes of the Joint Nelson Tasman Regional Transport Committee meeting held on Friday, 2 December 2022, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.