

Minutes of the 10th meeting of the Greater Christchurch Public Transport Joint Committee held in the Council Chamber, Environment Canterbury, 200 Tuam Street, Christchurch, on Tuesday, 17 October 2017 commencing at 12.51pm

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Present

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| Alister James (Chairperson) | Cr Kevin Felstead (Deputy Chairperson) |
| Jim Harland (NZTA) | Cr Mark Alexander (Selwyn District Council) |
| Cr Steve Lowndes (Environment Canterbury) | Cr Mike Davidson (Christchurch City Council) |
| Cr Pauline Cotter (Christchurch City Council) | Mayor Lianne Dalziel (Christchurch City Council) |
| Cr David Caygill (Environment Canterbury) | |

In attendance

Nadeine Dommissie (Chief Operating Officer), Stewart Gibbon (Senior Manager Public Transport, Environment Canterbury), Edward Wright (Manager Public Transport Strategy, Planning and Marketing, Environment Canterbury), Len Fleete, (Senior Strategy Advisor Public Transport, Environment Canterbury), Vivienne Ong (Committee Advisor, Environment Canterbury), Rae-Anne Kurucz, Tim Cheesebrough, Samantha Kelly, Richard Osborne (Christchurch City Council), Andrew Mazey (Selwyn District Council), Janet Begg (Public Transport Advisory Group), and Paul McNoe (Red Bus Ltd), Simone Pearce (representing inner-city residents' groups), John Yin (ECan), Michael Hayward (The Press)

1. **Welcome, introduction and apologies**

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting.

An apology was received from Dr Anna Stevenson (Canterbury District Health Board)

Alister James / Cr Mark Alexander
CARRIED

2. **Conflicts of interest**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

Chairman's Announcement

The Chairman introduced two new members to the Committee, Councillor Peter Skelton, Environment Canterbury and Councillor Mike Davidson, Christchurch City Council.

3. **Deputations**

Red Bus Ltd: Coach parking facilities and financial support for Oxford and Darfield Services

Paul McNoe, Chief Executive, Red Bus Ltd, presented his deputation to the Committee requesting to maintain the current service level and sought financial support of an annual of \$48,000pa for Darfield and \$49,000pa for Oxford.

- It was noted that funding was required by December 2017.
- Paul McNoe to provide statistics on passenger number from Oxford.

The Chair thanked Paul for his deputation.

Central City Shuttle Bus

Simone Pearson (representing the Christchurch central inner-city resident groups), her two children Sean Tonner (13 years) and Frances Tonner (10 years); and David Thornley (Christchurch Civic Trust) presented their deputation in support of a central city shuttle and how the reintroduction of a shuttle service would encourage a return for people to live, do business and undertake leisure activities in the inner city.

The Chair thanked everyone for their deputation.

4. **Minutes of previous meetings – 19 July 2017**

(Refer pages 7-11 of the agenda)

Resolved:

That the Greater Christchurch Public Transport Joint Committee:

Confirms the minutes of the meeting held 19 July 2017 as a true and correct record

Cr David Caygill / Cr Kevin Felstead
CARRIED

Resolved:

That the Greater Christchurch Public Transport Joint Committee:

Confirms the Public Excluded minutes of the meeting held 19 July 2017 as a true and correct record

Alister James / Cr David Caygill
CARRIED

5. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

6. Correspondence

Correspondence was received from the Chris Kissling, Chairman, Christchurch Civic Trust regarding the Central City Shuttle. This was discussed under item 8 of the agenda

Reports

7. Bus Services in Somerfield Area Report

(Refer pages 13 - 19 of the agenda)

John Yin and Edward Wright presented the report.

Cr Skelton left the meeting at 1.38pm

Discussion centred on the option of further investigating opportunities to improve the bus service in Somerfield and sub service reviews.

Cr Skelton returned to the meeting at 1.41pm

Resolved:

That the Greater Christchurch Public Transport Joint Committee:

- 1. Note that both the route options suggested by the Somerfield Residents Association would require significant additional funding, and no such funding is currently available;**
- 2. Note that bus route and coverage options in the area will be investigated through the Regional Public Transport Plan review, and subsequent detailed service reviews.**

Alister James / Cr David Caygill
CARRIED

8. West End Gap Business Case – Shuttle Bus Trial Option Update

(Refer pages 20 - 24 of the agenda)

Richard Osborne and Steve Gibbon, of the Officers Steering Group, gave an update on the feasibility of running a trial shuttle bus service in the inner city.

The Officers reaffirmed as a collaborative group they were fully supportive of an inner-city shuttle for the social community and economic benefit; but a trial required appropriate funding and at present there was no capacity to be able to deliver a successful trial shuttle service.

- The Canterbury District Health Board (CDHB) were unable to assist as their shuttles were a chartered service.
- Sponsorship through third-party funding could not be established as there was not sufficient appetite to sustain a successful shuttle operation.
- There was no capacity within the existing funding envelope to support a trial.

A shuttle bus trial should be considered as part of a wider network review, and be consulted on as part of the regional transport plan.

An extensive discussion took place regarding the shuttle bus trial.

Motion

That the Greater Christchurch Public Transport Joint Committee:

1. Support the shuttle bus trial in principal

Cr Pauline Cotter / Mayor Lianne Dalziel

MOTION LOST

Show of hands: 3 votes in favour, 4 against

After amendment, the resolution was adopted as follows:

Resolved:

That the Greater Christchurch Public Transport Joint Committee:

- 1. Note the issues officers have explored regarding the opportunities for an early trial return of a central Christchurch shuttle bus service;**
- 2. Note that given the funding constraints of the parties within the current annual plan cycle, to enable such a trial to proceed at this time at nil additional operational cost to Metro services, is not possible without re-directing services or the partners' existing budgets from elsewhere;**
- 3. Agree that the remaining resolutions of the June 2017 report to this Committee regarding this matter remain valid – and specifically that the central city shuttle be considered further as part of the current public transport network review which will be consulted on in April 2018 with appropriate funding provisions (*as informed by this investigation*) being considered in the draft 2018-21(28) Long Term Plans of Environment Canterbury and Christchurch City Council.**

Alister James / Cr David Caygill

CARRIED

Mayor Dalziel left the meeting at 1.37pm

9. **Metro Monitoring Report**
(Refer pages 25 - 32 of the agenda)

Edward Wright and Cameron Mair presented the report and highlighted the performance of the orange line as it continued to grow each month.

It was emphasised that the central city access was a key demand source of the bus network

Resolved:

That the Greater Christchurch Public Transport Joint Committee:

1. **Receive the Metro Monitoring report for information.**

Cr David Caygill / Cr Steve Lowndes
CARRIED

10. **Schedule of Meetings for 2018**
(Refer pages 33 - 36 of the agenda)

Len Fleete and Edward Wright presented the report

Resolved:

That the Greater Christchurch Public Transport Joint Committee:

1. **Approve the schedule of meetings and workshops for the first half 2018.**

Cr Pauline Cotter / Cr David Caygill
CARRIED

11. **Closure**

The meeting closed at 1.45pm.

CONFIRMED

21 March 2018.
Date


Chairperson