

Minutes of the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee (under COVID-19 Orange Traffic Light restrictions) held online on Thursday, 26 May 2022 at 4.05pm.

Present

Committee Chair Cr Peter Scott (Environment Canterbury), Deputy Chair Cr Tane Apanui (Environment Canterbury), Mayor Neil Brown (Ashburton DC), Cr Mike Davidson (Christchurch CC), Mayor Marie Black (Hurunui DC), Mayor Graham Smith (Mackenzie DC), Mayor Sam Broughton (Selwyn DC), Mayor Dan Gordon (Waimakariri DC), Mayor Craig Rowley (Waimate DC) and Waka Kotahi NZTA James Caygill.

Report writers and other staff were also present.

via MS Teams

1. Mihi / Karakia Timatanga - Opening

Cr Peter Scott opened the meeting with a mihi whakatau, followed by a karakia.

2. Apologies

The apologies were received from Mayor Craig Mackle (Kaikōura DC) and Mayor Nigel Bowen (Timaru DC). An apology for lateness was received by Councillor Mike Davidson (Christchurch CC).

3. Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest reported.

4. Public Forum, Deputations, and Petitions

There were no requests for public forum, deputations and petitions.

5. Extraordinary and Urgent Business

Resolved CRTC/2022/10

That the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee:

1. Agrees to deal with the report 8.6 Letter to the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee (CRTC) regarding Maintenance of Local Roads as a major item not on the agenda, pursuant to Section 46A(7)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, to enable a timely decision to be made since the next meeting of CRTC will not be held until 25 August 2022.

Mayor Neil Brown/Mayor Dan Gordon
CARRIED

6. Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

7. Minutes

Resolved CRTC/2022/11

Staff recommendations adopted without change.

That the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee:

1. Confirms the minutes from the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee meeting held on 17 February 2022.

Mayor Craig Rowley/Mayor Marie Black
CARRIED

8. Report Items

8.1. Canterbury Regional Transport Committee Resolutions Status Report - May 2022

Staff provided visibility on the status of resolutions made by the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee.

Resolved CRTC/2022/12

Staff recommendations adopted without change.

That the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee:

1. Notes the status of previous resolutions provided in the Status of Canterbury Regional Transport Committee Resolutions report May 2022.

Mayor Graham Smith/Mayor Marie Black
CARRIED

8.2. Waka Kotahi Update

James Caygill, Waka Kotahi, tabled a presentation providing updates for the region (attachment 8.2.1 – Presentation Regional Transport Committee Canterbury).

Resolved CRTC/2022/13

Staff recommendations adopted without change.

That the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee:

1. Receives the update from the Director Regional Relationships, Waka Kotahi.

8.3. Minutes of Transport Officers Group and Regional Road Safety Working Group

Staff provided the unconfirmed minutes of the Transport Officers Group (TOG) and the Regional Road Safety Working Group (RRSWG) meetings held on 21 April and 12 May 2022.

Resolved CRTC/2022/14

Staff recommendations adopted without change.

That the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee:

1. Receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Transport Officers Group and Regional Road Safety Working Group meetings held on 21 April 2022 and 12 May 2022.

Mayor Dan Gordon/Mayor Craig Rowley
CARRIED

8.4. Briefing on South Island Freight Summit

Staff provided an overview of the South Island Freight Summit hosted by the South Island Regional Transport Committee Chairs group held on 28 March 2022.

Resolved CRTC/2022/15

Staff recommendations adopted without change.

That the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee:

1. Receives the update on the South Island Freight Summit.
2. Provides any feedback or input on the Freight and Supply Chain Issues Paper to Councillors Peter Scott and/or Tane Apanui as Canterbury Regional Transport Committee (RTC) representatives at the South Island Regional Transport Committee Chairs Group.

Mayor Neil Brown/Mayor Dan Gordon
CARRIED

8.5. Update on Passenger Rail in Canterbury

Councillor Mike Davidson joined the meeting online at 4.58pm.

Staff provided an overview of the work being progressed in relation to passenger rail in Canterbury, the different types of passenger rail services that could be further considered for the region, and the options for how work on passenger rail in the region could be progressed.

Jesse Burgess tabled a presentation providing an update on passenger rail in Canterbury (attachment 8.5.5 – Presentation Update on passenger rail in Canterbury).

Resolved CRTC/2022/16

Staff recommendations adopted without change.

That the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee:

1. Notes that this report is in response to the Notice of Motion received by the Committee on 17 February 2022 requesting a staff report on the progress of passenger rail in Canterbury.
2. Notes that any further investigation of passenger rail in the region needs to align with the key work being undertaken on behalf of the Greater Christchurch Partnership to investigate mass rapid transit in Greater Christchurch and the likely future requirement to prepare a regional spatial strategy for Canterbury.
3. Notes there are different broad types of passenger rail service that could be further considered in Canterbury and there is a clear process that would be required to robustly progress passenger rail in the region.
4. Notes the role that this Committee could play to progress collaborative work on passenger rail in Canterbury, but that it would be the responsibility of Environment Canterbury to propose a passenger rail service for inclusion in the Canterbury Regional Land Transport Plan.
5. Agrees to commence a process to further investigate passenger rail in Canterbury in FY2023/24, with the scoping of this work to begin in FY2022/23.

Mayor Graham Smith/Mayor Marie Black

CARRIED

Councillor Mike Davidson requested that his vote abstaining from this resolution be recorded.

8.6. Letter to Canterbury Regional Transport Committee re: Maintenance of Local Roads

As this Committee agreed to deal with this report regarding Maintenance of Local Roads as a major item not on the agenda, pursuant to Section 46A(7)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, to enable a timely decision to be made since the next meeting of CRTC will not be held until 25 August 2022.

Resolved CRTC/2022/17

Staff recommendations adopted without change.

That the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee:

1. Requests advice from Transport Officers Group (TOG) to their next meeting on whether current funding mechanisms across Canterbury for road maintenance, operations and renewals are sufficient to maintain appropriate levels of service, and if not, consider new approaches.

Mayor Neil Brown/Mayor Marie Black
CARRIED

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 25 August 2022 at 4.00pm.

10. Mihi / Karakia Whakamutunga - Closing

A karakia was provided by Cr Peter Scott.

Meeting concluded at 5.50pm.

CONFIRMED:

Chair Peter Scott
Councillor, Environment Canterbury

Date