



Date 1 September 2021, 10.30am

Venue: Audio-visual link, Zoom

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Present

Councillors	M McDonald	Taranaki Regional Council (Chairperson)
	M Cloke	Taranaki Regional Council
Mayor	N Volzke	Stratford District Council
Councillor	H Duynhoven	New Plymouth District Council
Ms	L Stewart	Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency

Attending

Councillor	D MacLeod	Taranaki Regional Council
Mr	M Nield	Taranaki Regional Council
Ms	S Hiestand	Taranaki Regional Council
Ms	F Ritson	Taranaki Regional Council
Mr	C Nally	Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency
Ms	S Downs	Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency
Ms	L Dalzell	Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency
Mr	D Perry	Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency
Mr	W Wallace	Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency
Mr	S Bowden	Stratford District Council
Mr	R Leitao	New Plymouth District Council
Mr	S Knarston	New Plymouth District Council
Mr	V Lim	South Taranaki District Council
Mrs	E Borrows	South Taranaki District Council
Ms	A Carlson	New Plymouth District Council
Mr	P Ledingham	Taranaki Regional Council
Miss	L Davidson	Taranaki Regional Council

Two members of the public.

Apologies Apologies were received from Mayor P Nixon and Councillor R Northcott (South Taranaki District Council).

Notification of Late Items There were no late items.

1. Confirmation of Minutes – 2 June 2021

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) takes as read and confirms the minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee meeting held in the Taranaki Regional Council chambers, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford on Wednesday 2 June 2021 at 9am
- b) notes that the unconfirmed minutes of the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee held at the Taranaki Regional Council on Wednesday 2 June 2021 at 9am, have been circulated to the New Plymouth District Council, Stratford District Council and the South Taranaki District Council for their receipt and information.
Duynhoven/Volzke

Matters arising

- 1.1 Councillor M Cloke, Taranaki Regional Council, informed the committee that the meeting with Mr R I Anson, Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, regarding State Highway 3 prioritisation of projects, has not happened. It is disappointing that this has not been moving forward. Ms L Stewart, Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, agreed that it was disappointing that this has not been worked on and committed to ensuring a meeting between Councillor M Cloke, Ms S Downs, Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency and herself would be conducted before the next Regional Transport Meeting.
- 1.2 Councillor H Duynhoven, New Plymouth District Council, noted a correction to the minutes that he is a Council member of the NZ Automobile Association for Taranaki.

2. Regional Transport Advisory Group Minutes

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the unconfirmed minutes of the Regional Transport Advisory Group meeting held on Wednesday 4 August 2021.
Cloke/Duynhoven

Matters arising

- 2.1 Correction to minutes Tahora Saddle is on State Highway 43.
- 2.2 Concerns were raised around the detours on local roads when the Highway is closed for works. It was noted that although the Councils approve these they do have concerns around the width of the roads and the volume of traffic that use these detours.

3. Development of Active Modes (Walking and Cycling)

- 3.1 Mrs E Borrows, Community Development Manager, South Taranaki District Council, provided a presentation updating the Committee on walking and cycling activities in the District and answered questions arising.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives with thanks the update provided by the South Taranaki District Council on walking and cycling activities in their district.

Cloke/Volzke

4. Release of the final Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki 2021/22-2026/27

- 4.1 Ms F Ritson, Policy Analyst, Taranaki Regional Council, spoke to the memorandum advising Members of the release of the *Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki 2021/22-2026/27* (the RLTP or the Plan), including related next steps.
- 4.2 Ms L Stewart, Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, informed that the concerns raised have been heard and a team has been put in place to look at the process going forward.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the memorandum entitled *Release of the final Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki 2021/22-2026/27*
- b) notes the final *Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki 2021/22-2026/27* was adopted by the Council on 29 June 2021 and came into effect on 1 July 2021
- c) notes the evolutionary nature of the activities included in the programme component of the *Regional Land Transport Plan for Taranaki 2021/22-2026/27*
- d) notes that, as part of the resource management reform, national work is underway on integrating the *Land Transport Management Act 2003*, including RLTPs, into the proposed Strategic Planning Act.

Duynhoven/Volzke

5. Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency Update

- 5.1 Ms L Stewart, Director Regional Relationships, Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency, gave a presentation updating Members on activities of the Agency.
- 5.2 Ahititi stock effluent site - Discharge to the river has ceased. Ponds one and three have been emptied. Pond two has had a tank put in place and is receiving effluent that is then trucked away. Currently waiting on permanent tanks to be installed with completion expected mid to late November. The site will remain open.
- 5.3 Speed and infrastructure - technical assessments have been completed. At this stage no commitment can be made to the outcome as it is still to go out for community engagement.
- 5.4 SH3 barriers - Concerns were raised about the large sections of SH3 having median barriers installed. This will reduce the space for agricultural vehicles to move off the

road to allow vehicles behind to pass, Ms L Stewart, Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, thanked the Committee for their feedback.

- 5.5 Tangarakau Gorge sealing – The delays in starting have mainly been around the consenting process. The consent for stage one has now been approved this is to first 2km of the Stratford end. Stage two is the last 10km of the Gorge.
- 5.6 It was requested that future updates include an update on SH4 as this is a commonly used highway from Taranaki residents.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives with thanks the presentation and the detailed updates provided by Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency.
Volzke/Duynhoven

6. Updates from Territorial Authorities

- 6.1 Mr S Bowden, Stratford District Council, spoke to the report updating the committee on transport activities within the Stratford District.
- 6.2 It was noted that there are concerns around logging movements on some roads and the conditions of these roads especially through the winter months.
- 6.2 Mr V Lim, South Taranaki District Council, spoke to the report updating the committee on transport activities within the South Taranaki District.
- 6.3 Mr R Leitao, New Plymouth Council, spoke to the report updating the committee on transport activities within the New Plymouth District.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the update provided by the Stratford District Council on its transport activities
- b) receives the update provided by the South Taranaki District Council on its transport activities
- c) receives the update provided by the New Plymouth District Council on its transport activities.
McDonald/Cloke

7. Public Transport Operational Update for the Quarter Ending 31 March 2020

- 7.1 Ms S Hiestand, Transport Manager, Taranaki Regional Council, spoke to the memorandum providing members with an operational report on public transport services for the quarter ending 30 June 2021.
- 7.2 The fare zoning project has been deferred due to lockdown.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the report *Public Transport Operational Report for the Quarter Ending 30 June 2021*

- b) notes the operational report of the public transport services for the quarter ending 30 June 2021.

Cloke/Duynhoven

8. Submission for endorsement - 2021 Setting of Speed Limits Rule

- 8.1 The memorandum was to seek formal endorsement from the Regional Transport Committee (the Committee) on the submission on the proposed new *Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2021*.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Transport Committee:

- a) receives the memorandum entitled *Submission for endorsement - 2021 Setting of Speed Limits Rule*
- b) endorses the submission to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency on the proposed new *Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2021*.

Cloke/Volzke

There being no further business the Committee Chairperson, Councillor M J McDonald, declared the Regional Transport Committee meeting closed at 12.14pm.

Confirmed

**Taranaki Regional Transport
Committee Chairperson:** _____

M J McDonald

Wednesday 1 December 2021