

Tauranga Public Transport Joint Committee

Open Minutes

- Commencing:** Tuesday 28 February 2023, 2.30 pm
- Venue:** Council Chambers, Regional House, 1 Elizabeth Street, Tauranga
- Chairperson:** Cr Andrew von Dadelszen - Bay of Plenty Regional Council
Toi Moana (BOPRC)
- Deputy Chairperson:** Commission Chair Anne Tolley - Tauranga City Council
(TCC)
- Members:** Commissioner Stephen Selwood - TCC
- In Attendance:**
- Bay of Plenty Regional Council (BOPRC):
Cr Kat Macmillan, Mike Seabourne - Director, Public Transport, Chris Brewer - Public Transport Operations Manager, Oliver Haycock - Manager, Transport Planning, Claudia Cameron - Committee Advisor.
- Tauranga City Council (TCC):
Brendan Bisley - Director of Transport, Nic Johansson - General Manager, Infrastructure, Christine Jones - General Manager: Strategy and Growth (via Zoom).
- Public:
Mark Wassung.
- Apologies:** Cr Paula Thompson (BOPRC) for absence.

Minute Note: This meeting was livestreamed and recorded and can be accessed on the BOPRC YouTube channel: [Tauranga Public Transport Joint Committee Meeting - 28 February 2023 - YouTube](#)

1. Chair's Opening Statement

Noted the annual rotation of the Chair between the partner Councils, as stated in the Terms of Reference. Acknowledged Commission Chair Tolley for her contribution as Chair of the Joint Committee in 2022.

2. Apologies

Resolved

That the Tauranga Public Transport Joint Committee:

- 1 Accepts the apology from Cr Paula Thompson for absence tendered at the meeting.**

Selwood/Tolley
CARRIED

3. Public Forum

3.1 Mark Wassung

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Key Points:

- Noted the apology from Richard Drummond, Kiwi Bus Builders Ltd
- Introduced designs, production quotes and size options for electric buses and environmentally friendly, relocatable bus shelters
- The proposed bus routes were between Mount Maunganui and Tauranga CBD
- Any approved bus construction would be conducted by Kiwi Bus Builder Ltd in Tauriko
- A co-funding opportunity was identified; Central Government was looking to fund projects which were sustainable, innovative and would rejuvenate tourism
- Between five and ten electric buses were recommended to ensure effectiveness of the proposal
- The bus shelter designs could be manufactured within the \$23,000 budget requirement
- A product meeting could be arranged on request.

Key Points - Members:

- Acknowledged the need to support local manufacturers
- Expressed interest in the continuation of the bus shelter discussion
- The 23 seater bus design was considered more appropriate for future needs and the proposal would be worked through by staff
- Suggested the larger bus proposal be pitched to the cruise ship companies.

4. Items not on the Agenda

Resolved**That the Tauranga Public Transport Joint Committee:**

- 1 Accepts the late item, Arataki Meeting update, and notes that it cannot be postponed until the next meeting as the update aligns with the Farm Street proposal.**

von Dadelszen/Tolley
CARRIED

5. Order of Business

- Agreed to cover the Arataki Meeting verbal update after Item 8.0
- Noted that item 9.5 was a decision-required report.

6. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

Nil.

7. Minutes

Minutes to be Confirmed

7.1 Tauranga Public Transport Joint Committee Minutes - 22 August 2022

Resolved

That the Tauranga Public Transport Joint Committee:

- 1 Confirms the minutes, Tauranga Public Transport Joint Committee Minutes - 22 August 2022.

Selwood/Tolley
CARRIED

8. Reports

8.1 Tauranga City Council and Bay of Plenty Regional Council Project Update

Presented by: Brendan Bisley, Director of Transport (TCC) and Oliver Haycock, Manager, Transport Planning (BOPRC)

Key Points:

- Noted that as the Totara Street and Elizabeth Street upgrades were Waka Kotahi projects, TCC was unable to influence the project order
- The 15th Avenue/Turret Road link to Takitimu Drive was scheduled to occur during the Takitimu North Link/SH 2 revocation project.

Key Points - Members:

- A strategic overview of the network was required, as it was more effective than viewing projects consecutively
- Noted the previous public consultation, and some community concern, regarding the Farm Street public transport infrastructure. Emphasised the importance of completing the project in a timely manner
- Acknowledged the Regional Public Transport Plan (RPTP) goal of 20% public transport mode share by 2032. Highlighted the importance of the Western Corridor and the Cameron Road projects as mechanisms to achieve this. Emphasised the need for transformational change, strategic overview of projects and organisational collaboration to reach the RPTP goal
- Recognised the importance of the Annual Plan and Long Term Plan processes to secure investment for future projects to promote mode shift.

Key Points - Staff:

- The project funding process made strategic overview of projects a challenge, however joined up decisions from TCC, BOPRC and Waka Kotahi would increase efficiency.

Resolved

That the Tauranga Public Transport Joint Committee:

- 1 Receives the report, Tauranga City Council and Bay of Plenty Regional Council Project Update.**

**von Dadelszen/Selwood
CARRIED**

9. Consideration of Items not on the Agenda

9.1 Arataki Community Meeting Update

Presented by: Mike Seabourne – Director, Public Transport (BOPRC)

Key Points:

- A review of the Farm Street public transport service requirements was taking place to ensure alignment between BOPRC and TCC, and once that information was received, the business case could be completed
- Public consultation on the Western Bay Network Refresh Phase 2 would include Farm Street community consultation by BOPRC
- Delivery of the Farm Street project was anticipated in the 2024 Financial Year, supported by Waka Kotahi funding. Reasons for the project delays had been communicated to Waka Kotahi.

Key Points - Members:

- Concern was expressed that delays to the project could jeopardise its completion
- Noted that TCC funding had been allocated to the project for streetscaping.

10. Public Excluded Section

Resolved

Resolution to exclude the public

- 1 Excludes the public from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting as set out below:**

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 are as follows:

Item No.	Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Grounds under Section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution	When the item can be released into the public
10.1	Public Excluded Tauranga Public Transport Joint Committee Minutes - 22 August 2022	As noted in the relevant Minutes.	As noted in the relevant Minutes.	To remain in public excluded.
10.2	CBD PT Facility Business Case Update	Withholding the information is necessary to enable the local authority to deliberate in private on its decision or recommendation in any proceedings to which this paragraph applies.	48(1)(d).	When the business case has been finalised.
10.3	Cameron Road Stage 2 Business Case Update	Withholding the information is necessary to enable the local authority to deliberate in private on its decision or recommendation in any proceedings to which this paragraph applies.	48(1)(d).	When the business case is finalised.
10.4	Park and Ride Options Update	Withholding the information is necessary to enable the local authority to deliberate in private on its decision or recommendation in any proceedings to which this paragraph applies.	48(1)(d).	On the Joint Committee's approval.
10.5	Parking Demand in the CBD	Withholding the information is necessary to enable the local authority to deliberate in private on its decision or recommendation in	48(1)(d).	To remain in public excluded.

		any proceedings to which this paragraph applies.		
10.6	Operational Performance Report	Withholding the information is necessary to enable the local authority to deliberate in private on its decision or recommendation in any proceedings to which this paragraph applies.	48(1)(d).	On the Chief Executive's approval.

**Tolley/von Dadelszen
CARRIED**

16.55pm - the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED 23 MAY 2023

Cr Andrew von Dadelszen
Chairperson, Tauranga Public Transport Joint
Committee