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## REPORT SUMMARY

**Report to:** Full Council  
**Meeting Date:** 27 June 2012  
**Report Author:** Sarah Downs, Transportation Planning Officer  
**Subject:** **Tasman Regional Land Transport Programme**

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report seeks the Tasman District Council's adoption of the final Tasman Regional Land Transport Programme (RLTP) 2012 – 2015. The Draft RLTP was publicly advertised in mid April. Submissions closed on 21 May 2012 with 13 submissions received. Hearings on the submissions were held on 8 June 2012 by the Tasman Regional Transport Committee.

The Tasman Regional Transport Committee approved RLTP, with amendments, be recommended to the Tasman District Council for adoption.

The final RLTP needs to be submitted to the New Zealand Transport Agency as part of the Council's funding bid prior to 30 June 2012.

### RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received and the Tasman Regional Land Transport Programme (RLTP) 2012 – 2015 be adopted.

### DRAFT RESOLUTION

**THAT the Tasman District Council receives the Tasman Regional Land Transport Programme report RCN12-06-13 and**

**THAT the Tasman District Council Adopts the Tasman Regional Land Transport Programme 2012 – 2015 for submission to the New Zealand Transport Agency by 30 June 2012 as noted in the report, RCN12-06-13.**

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## 1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to adopt the final Tasman Regional Land Transport (RLTP) 2012 -2015 (Appendix 1).

## 2. Background

- 2.1 The Draft RLTP was publicly advertised in mid April. Submissions closed on 21 May 2012 with 13 submissions received.

- 2.2 Hearings on the submissions were held on 8 June 2012 by the Tasman Regional Transport Committee.

- 2.3 The Tasman Regional Transport Committee approved :

*THAT the Tasman Regional Land Transport Programme 2012-2015, with amendments, be recommended by the Chair and Committee member Cr Edgar, to the Tasman District Council for adoption on 27 June 2012 for submission to the New Zealand Transport Agency by 30 June 2012 as noted in the report RRTC12-06-01.*

## 3. Present Situation/Matters to be Considered

- 3.1 The RLTP was approved by the Tasman Regional Transport Committee and now requires to be adopted by Tasman District Council.
- 3.2 The final RLTP needs to be submitted to the New Zealand Transport Agency as part of the Council's funding bid prior to 30 June 2012.
- 3.3 Tasman District Council has already undertaken its Long Term Plan process which has affected projects being presented as part of the RLTP.
- 3.4 After the final submission date to the New Zealand Transport Agency, the Agency will commence assessment and prioritisation of all RLTPs. They will then identify activities for inclusion in the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) (with approved activities for Tasman) to be finalised in September 2012.

- 3.5 The programme has been through a prioritisation process which is aligned with methodology established by the New Zealand Transport Agency.

#### **4. Submission and Hearing Summary**

- 4.1 Thirteen submissions were received. The majority of the submissions were issue specific. The most significant issue discussed (seven out of thirteen submissions) was the decision not to upgrade the Riwaka-Kaiteriteri Road. Submitters wanted the upgrade of the Riwaka-Kaiteriteri Road included in the Regional Land Transport Programme.
- 4.2 Seven of the submitters opted to be heard at the Regional Transport Committee meeting on 8 June 2012. Amendments to the RLTP were recommended by the Committee in the deliberations after the hearings. The Committee agreed that the Chair and Committee member Cr Edgar would sign off the amended programme prior to being presented to Council for adoption.

#### **5. Financial/Budgetary Consideration**

- 5.1 The projects set out in the RLTP align with those in the Long Term Plan. The Government requires Council to submit a programme of all transportation works as a separate document (the RLTP) to enable approval of the relevant subsidies.

#### **6. Options**

- 6.1 The Tasman District Council may choose to approve the set programme of works presented in the RLTP.
- 6.2 The Tasman District Council may choose to remove some or the entire programme of works presented in the RLTP.
- 6.3 The Tasman District Council may opt to alter the prioritisation of the programme of works.
- 6.4 The Tasman District Council may choose to add further works to the programme.

## **7. Pros and Cons of the Options**

- 7.1 If any changes are made to the RLTP at this stage, this will require further modification to the Council's Long Term Plan and may require further consultation. This could delay the final submission to the New Zealand Transport Agency and risk the transportation works programme not being included in the NLTP.

## **8. Evaluation of the Options**

- 8.1 Council staff have discussed the priority of works set out in the RLTP and have used the criteria set out by NZTA for funding bids. Staff recommend that the list of priorities and transportation works programme should be approved.

## **9. Significance**

- 9.1 This is not a significant decision according to the Council's Significance Policy.

## **10. Recommendation**

- 10.1 That the report be received and the Tasman District Council.
- 11.2 The final RLTP will be submitted to the New Zealand Transport Agency by 30 June 2012.
- 11.3 NZTA will release their National Regional Land Transport Programme (RLTP) 2012 – 2015 be adopted.

## **12. Draft Resolution**

**THAT the Tasman District Council receives the Tasman Regional Land Transport Programme report RCN12-06-13 and**

**THAT the Tasman District Council Adopts the Tasman Regional Land Transport Programme 2012 – 2015 for submission to the New Zealand Transport Agency by 30 June 2012 as noted in the report, RCN12-06-13.**

### **Appendices:**

Appendix 1 – Tasman Regional Land Transport Programme 2012-2015