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Tony Randle

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Dear Mr Randle

Request for information 2021-027

I refer to your request for information dated 18 February, which was received by Greater Wellington Regional Council (Greater Wellington) on 18 February. You have requested the following:

"1) Can the GWRC please provide the definition of "quick" it used in deciding whether a Wellington PT service meets the "rapid transit" service speed criteria outlined in the GPS?

2) Can the GWRC please provide the definition of "frequent" it used in deciding whether a Wellington PT service meets the "rapid transit" service frequency criteria outlined in the GPS?

3) Can the GWRC please provide the definition of "reliable" it used in deciding whether a Wellington PT service meets the "rapid transit" service reliability criteria outlined in the GPS?

4) Can the GWRC please provide the definition of "high-capacity" it used in deciding whether a Wellington PT service meets the "rapid transit" service capacity criteria outlined in the GPS?

5) Can the GWRC please provide the definition of "a permanent route (road or rail) that is largely separated from other traffic" it used in deciding whether a Wellington PT service meets the "rapid transit" separated from other traffic criteria outlined in the GPS ?

6) Can the GWRC please provide copies of the reports, presentations or working papers where the definitions of "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop" were analysed or discussed?

7) Can the GWRC please provide copies of the meeting or workshop agendas, presentations, minutes or meeting notes at which the definitions of "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop" were analysed or discussed?

8) Can the GWRC please provide copies of the reports, presentations or working papers where there was discussion on whether the Johnsonville Line; the Melling Line and/or any specific bus service would or would not meet the definitions of being a "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop"?

9) Can the GWRC please provide copies of the meeting or workshop agendas, presentations, minutes or meeting notes where there was discussion on whether the Johnsonville Line; the Melling Line and/or any specific bus service would or would not meet the definitions of being a "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop"?

10) Can the GWRC please provide copies of the correspondence with any central government ministry, department or agency where the definitions of "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop" were analysed or discussed?

11) Can the GWRC please provide copies of the correspondence with any other local government councils or agencies where the definitions of "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop" were analysed or discussed?

12) Can the GWRC please provide copies of the correspondence with any central government ministries, departments or agencies where there was discussion on whether the Johnsonville Line; the Melling Line and/or any specific bus service would or would not meet the definitions of being a "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop"?

13) Can the GWRC please provide copies of the correspondence with any other local government councils or agencies where there was discussion on whether the Johnsonville Line; the Melling Line and/or any specific bus service would or would not meet the Spatial Plan definitions of being a "rapid transit service" and/or "rapid transit stop"?

If the requested information is held in electronic form, it is preferred that it be provided in its complete and original electronic format. It is also preferred that any information the GWRC may believe is out of scope is NOT redacted."

Greater Wellington's response follows:

The response to parts 1-5 of your request was provided to you on 11 March 2021. Greater Wellington's response to the remaining parts of your request follows:

Parts 6 – 13

The information you have requested in Part 6 – 13 is attached as follows, ordered by content type:

- Attachment 1: all reports, presentations, working papers
 - Rapid Transit Definitions v1.1
 - Rapid Transit definition
 - Porirua City Council Presentation – NPS UD

- Attachment 2: all workshop and meeting agendas
 - Wellington Regional Growth Framework Policy and Planning Meeting, held on 21 December 2020
 - Transport Advisory Group, held on 27 January 2021

- Council workshop, held on 4 February 2021
- Regional Transport Committee workshop, held on 9 February 2021
- Regional approach to intensification under NPS UP, held on 24 February 2021
- Attachment 3: correspondence
 - Some correspondence and attachments have been withheld under section 7(2)(f)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) as they contain the expression of free and frank opinion. This is marked accordingly in the attachment.
 - I note you requested information that is not in scope to be included in the response. However, we have decided to withhold some of the information that is not in scope as it does not relate to rapid transit.

Some information within scope of your request has been withheld. The information and sections of the Act it is withheld under are set out below:

- The Draft One Network Framework has been withheld in full under section 7(2)(f)(i) as it is still in draft form and contains free and frank comments and opinions.
- Rapid Transit Definitions (v1.1) some information has been withheld under section 7(2)(f)(i) as it contains free and frank opinions and discussions. Where any information has been withheld it is marked on the document.

If you have any concerns with the decision(s) referred to in this letter, you have the right to request an investigation and review by the Ombudsman under section 27(3) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Luke Troy', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Luke Troy
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