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Wellington Regional Freight Management Study

1. Purpose

To update the Committee on the findings of the Wellington Regional Freight Movements study.

2. Significance of the decision

The matters in this report do not trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. Background

The New Zealand Transport Strategy outlines a number of strategic transport objectives. One of these objectives is “Assisting Economic Development”. The corresponding objective for the draft Regional Land Transport Strategy is to “Assist Economic and Regional Development”.

The movement of freight is an important component of economic activity in the region which many conventional transportation studies overlook. The movement of freight in the Wellington region has several distinct elements which have different needs. These include:

- movements totally internal to the region
- movements with one trip end external to the region and one trip end internal to the region
- movements with both trip ends external to the region

The first of the above elements dominates daily movements and frequently involves issues related to supply chain efficiency. The second element is important to the Wellington region as part of the national economy. The third element relates to national internal economic efficiency, in either Wellington being the gateway between the North and South Island or Wellington being the gateway to the rest of the world.

4. Comment

A presentation will be made to the Committee by Warwick Walbran Consulting Limited regarding issues relevant to these various components of freight movement.

5. Recommendations

That the Committee:

- 1. receive the report.*
- 2. note the content of the report.*

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