14. PUBLIC PASSENGER TRANSPORT STRATEGY - A REVIEW OF CCC PROGRESS SINCE JUNE 1998

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The Committee considered a report prepared by the Transportation Planner which reviewed the progress of the implementation of the Public Passenger Transport Strategy since its adoption by both the City and Regional Councils in June 1998. The report provided an update on the provision of shelters, the Council's contribution to the stop infrastructure, traffic priority, real time information, parking policy, park and ride, cycle and ride, light rail/rail, electric hybrid buses, promotions/initiatives, super low floor buses and passenger transport interchange. The meeting was advised that an "anti-graffiti" coating will be applied to the shuttle bus stop signs, and that a draft parking policy will be submitted to the City Services Committee in due course. Considerable discussion ensued on utilising existing rail systems to provide a commuter system between Christchurch and outlying towns, which could be considered as part of the public passenger transport strategy.

The information was **received** and it was **decided** that it be noted that the Council has made no decision for nor against the eventual introduction of light rail within Christchurch or from central Christchurch to nearby towns, and that this matter be considered as part of the transport strategy work to be carried out following the recent adoption of the Canterbury Dialogues transport vision by the Council.