

16. TRAFINZ CONFERENCE - NAPIER, JULY 2004

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The purpose of this report is to obtain approval for the attendance of Councillor Denis O'Rourke, Chairman, Sustainable Transport and Utilities Committee, and a member of the TRAFINZ Executive, at the annual conference of the Local Authority Traffic Institute of New Zealand (TRAFINZ) conference which will be held in Napier in July 2004.

The annual conference for TRAFINZ is this year being held from Sunday 11 July to Wednesday 21 July 2004 in Napier. It will commence with a TRAFINZ executive meeting and a number of keynote speakers from New Zealand and overseas, including Dr Claes Tingvall (Monash University and past director Road Safety Sweden) and Professor Ian Johnson (Director Monash University Accident Research Centre), will speak. In addition CEOs from the ACC, ECCA, Transfund and Transit New Zealand will attend together with the Minister of Transport, Hon Paul Swain.

The conference has previously been attended by elected representatives and represents an opportunity for them to network with other TLA elected representatives involved in the areas of transport and traffic safety and to keep abreast with current issues and ideas in these areas.

The estimated costs for the attendance of one person are as follows, (GST exclusive):

Airfares	\$280
Accommodation	\$390
Registration	\$580
Miscellaneous	\$160

Total	\$1,410 plus GST

A copy of the conference programme is tabled for the information of members.

Staff

Recommendation: That Councillor Denis O'Rourke attend the 2004 TRAFINZ Conference.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the above recommendation be adopted.