URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE URBAN DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

Held in the Council Chamber, Environment Canterbury Kilmore Street, Christchurch on Friday 24 August 2007 at 1.00 pm

PRESENT: Bill Wasley (Independent Chair),

Mayor Michael McEvedy, Mayor Jim Gerard and Councillors Sue Wells, Richard Budd, Alec Neill, Malcolm Lyall, Kath Adams and Kevin Felstead. Councillor Debra Hasson was in attendance

IN ATTENDANCE: Urban Development Strategy Implementation

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Carolyn Ingles, Karen Banwell, Stuart Woods

Environment CanterburyLaurie McCallum, Jill Atkinson

Selwyn District Council

Nick Regnault

Waimakariri District Council

Trevor Ellis, Jim Palmer

Transit NZ

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Sir Kerry Burke, Mayor Garry Moore, Councillors Annette Foster, Bob Parker and Mark Solomon

1. WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed James Caygill who had recently taken up the position of Implementation Manager to the committee.

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting of 20 July 2007, as circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

3. MATTERS ARISING

Nil.

4. MONTHLY REPORT - CHAIR

Additional to the matter contained in his written report on Transport reforms, the Chairman advised that he had attended a briefing of the Transit New Zealand Board.

A further briefing had taken place with Land Transport NZ Board and senior Ministry officials.

It was **resolved** that the monthly report of the Implementation Chair and Implementation manager be received.

5. TOP TWENTY ACTIONS

Mayor McEvedy suggested that in terms of priorities for the remainder of 2007, that of transportation should be to the fore, as it would be disastrous if the timeline was not met.

In addition he suggested that more work is needed on business land development. The requirements for industrial development sections have yet to be measured and details of this needed to be included in the RPS. It was important that the needs of industry were satisfied.

It was **resolved** that the report of the UDS Implementation Manager on the Top Twenty Actions be received.

6. REGIONAL POLICY STATEMENT CHANGE – MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING NO 2

The Chairman commented on the work that had been done by the Implementation Committee's working party. This had lead to the CIAL providing input into the process, with a revised MOU No 2 document being included in the agenda. There had been no opportunity however for the working party to look at the revised document.

While there might still be some outstanding issues, these can be worked through and clarified.

It is proposed that the memorandum and accompanying documents be sent through to the Chief Executive Officers, for them to work through and resolve matters outstanding.

In the discussion that followed comment was made in respect of:

- The eventual hearings would put all issues on the table.
- It is now a city issue as well.
- The UDS's ability to move forward must not be compromised by the CIAL.
- The Environment Court will in time determine the noise contour lines, which could not be prejudged.
- The City Council and other local authorities through their respective shareholdings could seek to influence the CIAL.

It was **resolved** that the MOU No 2 outstanding matters be referred to the Chief Executive Officers' Advisory Group for consideration, prior to its further consideration by the partner authorities.

7. UDS TRANSPORT PACKAGE USING UDS LAND USE

In speaking to his report Stuart Woods added that further work is required as to where the matter proceeds to from here, a discussion paper will perhaps be the next step.

In the discussion that followed comments were made in respect of:

- This report represents an affirmation of what is happening in the region.
- Greenfield development is putting greater pressure on the infrastructure than was originally planned for.
- Infrastructure needs to be established in new areas before any development took place.
- Job opportunities would arise alongside transport growth.
- The other part to this development was that of the North West area.
- If the infrastructure won't cope with the situation, is it a matter for UDS rather than CRET'S.
- The situation was not going to be fixed with more roading, it had been overtaken through the passage of time and there were funding implications.
- A more imaginative approach needed to be taken to the challenges and in this context rail should be examined.

It was **resolved** that the UDSIC support the UDS:IMG/UDS Transport Group being requested to address the challenges being presented to the future transport system by the UDS land use patterns.

8. TRIP PREVIEW

It was noted with the reference to region there was those local authorities to the south and north of the UDS area that had to be considered in terms of there being "transportation benefit".

It was **resolved** that the TRIP preview report be received.

9. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

It was **resolved** that the resolution to exclude the public as set out on page 37 of the agenda be adopted.

The meeting concluded at 2.30 pm

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10. PROCESS FOR DEVELOPING A CROWN TRANSPORT FUNDING ASSISTANCE PACKAGE

It is seen that it is important that this comes as a "regional message" to the Government in Wellington.

It was noted that there is need to ensure a strategy is in place to provide links through to the government, given that the UDSIC does not have driver representation on the RLTNZ.

It was **resolved**:

- 1. That the process for developing a Crown Transport Funding assistance package be received.
- 2 That UDSIC Management be authorised to make an appropriate press statement.

It was **resolved** that open meeting be resumed and the public be readmitted.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is to be held on Friday 21 September 2007 at 1 pm.

The meeting concluded at 2:30 pm