# 8. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CANTERBURY REGIONAL TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

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#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the appointment of a Council representative (and alternate) to the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee (RTC).

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 2. As a result of a recent change in legislation, Environment Canterbury is required to reconstitute the Canterbury Regional Land Transport Committee. The new committee will be called the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee (RTC) and its membership must comprise:
  - Two Councillors from Environment Canterbury (to be Chair and Deputy Chair of the Committee)
  - One Councillor from each local territorial authority
  - One member from the New Zealand Transport Agency
  - Six members from the wider Canterbury community.
- 3. Environment Canterbury is now seeking confirmation by 11 August 2008 of who will represent the Christchurch City Council on this committee until the next local body elections in 2010. Environment Canterbury is currently seeking a legal opinion from the Ministry of Transport regarding the appointment of alternate members to RTCs. In the meantime Environment Canterbury is suggesting that the Council also nominates an alternate in the event they are permitted under the new legislation.
- 4. Meetings of the RTC are likely to be scheduled on a quarterly basis. Remaining meetings in 2008 are currently scheduled for 17 September and 3 December.
- 5. Further background information on the Committee's composition is **attached** to this report.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

#### Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2006-16 LTCCP budgets?

Not applicable.

## **LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?

7. There are no legal implications.

## ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2006-16 LTCCP?

Not applicable.

#### **ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES**

Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?

9. Not applicable.

## **CONSULTATION FULFILMENT**

10. Not required.

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Council:

- (a) Appoint a representative to the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee.
- (b) Appoint an alternate representative to the Canterbury Regional Transport Committee in the event that they are permitted under the new legislation.