



MINISTERIAL BRIEFING NOTE

Subject	Transport Choices Announcement
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Action taken by Office of the Minister

- ☐ Noted
- ☐ Seen by Minister
- ☐ Agreed
- ☐ Feedback provided
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- ☐ Needs change [please specify]
- ☐ Withdrawn
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Hon Michael Wood - Minister of Transport

Transport Choices Package Programme 2022-24 National Announcement

Purpose

1. This briefing provides you with information about the Transport Choices package programme 2022-24, prior to the national announcement (media stand-up) in Māngere, Auckland on 4 December 2022, from 1:00pm – 1:40pm.

Project funding and costs

2. \$350 million has been set aside for the Transport Choices package programme. The funding is part of the Climate Emergency Response Programme where \$1.2 billion has been provided to Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency for transport initiatives that will help reduce climate change.

Programme features

3. Key features of Transport Choices include:
 - Transport Choices aims to demonstrate what's possible for communities across Aotearoa, New Zealand, by quickly providing people with more transport options, and encouraging them to travel in ways that are good for us and our environment.
 - Waka Kotahi will work with local councils to progress strategic cycle networks, create walkable neighbourhoods and safer, greener, and healthier school travel, and make public transport more reliable and easier to use.

Programme benefits

4. Key benefits of Transport Choices include:
 - Transport Choices will help local councils to make small, quick and visible changes to our streets and the way people use them. Helping people embrace cycling or walking as a means of travel. The programme will help towards building a transport system that's sustainable for the next generation.
 - Transport is a major source of emissions. Transport Choices will help reduce these emissions from transport and create fairer, safer, and healthier environments for people to live, work and play across the country.
 - It's just one initiative within the Climate Emergency Response Fund (CERF) programme that will enable people across New Zealand to be part of Aotearoa New Zealand's climate response. Emissions are not just an urban issue; we're all going to have to pitch in to create a better future.

Projects as part of the programme

5. Refer to Appendix A for the full list of councils who will receive indicative funding to further scope their proposed projects.
6. These will be announced as part of a national Transport Choices 2022-24 announcement on 4 December 2022.

Key messages

7. Key messages of the Transport Choices package programme 2022-24 include:
 - To create healthier, safer and more equitable environments across Aotearoa New Zealand - we have to shift how we travel.
 - The Government is investing \$350 million to create greater transport choices for people across Aotearoa.
 - The funding is part of the Transport Choices package included within the Climate Emergency Response Fund (CERF), and it's an ambitious programme of work that will open our streets and help people in communities across the country get to where they need to go safely and efficiently.
 - Greater transport choices mean a safer, healthier environment for communities across Aotearoa.

You have received the following briefings on this subject:

1. BRI-2528 - Update on the Waka Kotahi Climate Emergency Response Fund (CERF) 22 - Funded Work Programme, 28 July 2022
2. BRI-2555 - Update on the Streets for People programme, 18 August 2022.

Ministerial Media Stand-up Announcement

8. The event will be located at Moyle Park, Māngere, Auckland (Comet Crescent entrance). Media stand-up announcement:
 - Media stand-up with speeches from Minister; Waka Kotahi representative; and Auckland Transport (AT) representative
 - Spokespeople (including community champions) available for questions/media interviews.
 - Photo opportunity
 - Waka Kotahi press release/social media

Key attendees to acknowledge

9. A few key attendees invited for the announcement include the following:
 - Hon Michael Wood, Minister of Transport
 - Kathryn King, Manager Urban Mobility, Waka Kotahi

- Stacey van der Putten, Executive GM, Safety, Auckland Transport
- Section 9(2)(a)
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Media

10. We expect a lot of local/national media interest.

It is recommended that you:

1. **Note** the contents of this briefing.



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National Manager Multimodal and Innovation

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Appendix A

Here are the 46 councils across Aotearoa New Zealand who will receive funding to implement more transport options for communities, as part of the Transport Choices package 2022-24:

- Auckland Transport
- Bay of Plenty Regional Council
- Carterton District Council
- Central Hawke's Bay District Council
- Christchurch City Council
- Dunedin City Council
- Far North District Council (via Northland Transportation Alliance)
- Greater Wellington Regional Council
- Hamilton City Council
- Hastings District Council
- Hawke's Bay Regional Council
- Horowhenua District Council
- Hutt City Council
- Invercargill City Council/Southland District Council
- Kaipara District Council (via Northland Transportation Alliance)
- Mackenzie District Council
- Masterton District Council
- Matamata-Piako District Council
- Napier City Council
- Nelson City Council
- New Plymouth District Council
- Otago Regional Council

- Palmerston North City Council
- Palmerston North City Council/Horizons Regional Council
- Porirua City Council
- Queenstown-Lakes District Council
- Rotorua Lakes Council
- Ruapehu District Council
- Selwyn District Council
- Stratford District Council
- Tararua District Council
- Tasman District Council
- Taupō District Council
- Tauranga City Council
- Timaru District Council
- Waikato District Council
- Waikato Regional Council
- Waimakariri District Council
- Waipā District Council
- Wairoa District Council
- Waitaki District Council
- Wellington City Council
- Western Bay of Plenty District Council
- Whakatāne District Council
- Whanganui District Council / Horizons Regional Council
- Whangārei District Council (via Northland Transportation Alliance).