

Email Update 2 September 2014

Hi there,

We have you listed as being a submitter / or having involvement in the Petone to Grenada Link Road Project. We would like to let you know that a report for the first round of public engagement (Feb 2014 - Apr 2014) on the Petone to Grenada Link Road has been released. If you would like to review the report, it is available on the Link Road website at www.nzta.govt.nz/petone-grenada-link-road. The home page of the website has a direct link to the report to make it easy for you to download and review it at your leisure, while the publications page also has a link under the sub-heading "reports".

The key findings of the engagement report were:

- Clear support for a new Petone Interchange and the proposed option from Petone
- Mixed views and no clear preference for either Option C or Option D
- Support for the excess fill to be used for the construction of the Wellington to Hutt Valley Walking and Cycling Link
- Support for greater investment in public transport in the region
- Clear desire from Horokiwi Community to work with the NZTA to ensure suitable access is provided to their community
- Many submitters raised environmental concerns relating to social, pollution and ecological effects

As we have mentioned previously, we have been pleased by the response to our call for feedback on the Link Road proposals, with more than 1400 submissions received. This has helped us to understand the community's concerns and will inform our development of the project in conjunction with the recently formed Chief Executive's Group.

Following the key findings from our public engagement period, we are carrying out further investigations into options north of Tawa, including the timing and/or need for additional capacity and impact of public transport proposals on the project.

The report forms a vital part of discussions we are having with our partners, and the joint P2G Chief Executive's Forum established by the Wellington Regional Transport Committee in May of this year.

We are still expecting to confirm a preferred option for the Link Road later this year. Resource Management Act consent applications are expected to then be lodged at the end of 2015, followed by detailed design from 2017 and construction (subject to funding) beginning in 2019.

If you have any queries or would like to discuss the report with one of the team, please contact us by calling 0508 P2G INFO (0508 724 4636) or emailing petone2grenada@nzta.govt.nz.

Best regards,
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