

1. *Longer Term Issues*

- ***NZ Transport Strategy***- needs to be revisited to get common understanding, commitment and buy in. Needs to reflect what is affordable and what is sustainable in a holistic manner.
- ***Government Policy Statement***- needs to be better engagement with local government to ensure alignment in planning, funding of activities and setting of targets.
 - ***Impact of the “mini Budget” focusing on infrastructure?***
 - ***Regionalisation of GPS targets***- NZTA -Extension to time frame for consultation, but issues of alignment remain
- ***Funding***- current funding tools are inadequate. As funding partner local government needs to be embedded in any review of funding options including the development of new funding tools.
 - ***Road user Charges review Group***
 - Examine the how the current cost allocation model apportions costs
 - Consider the merits of collecting revenue from diesel vehicles using RUC compared to alternative methods
 - Key objectives are: economic efficiency, cost recovery, equity
 - Scope includes recommendations to change policy, processes or legislation
 - What's not included: Activities that are funded by the NLTP, FAR, Alternatives to rating as a source of land transport funding, Costs not currently charged for through the NLTF (e.g. externalities)
- ***Land use & Transport Planning***- needs to be robust engagement between local government and transport agencies over the integration of land use and transport planning. Councils have to be holistic in making land use decisions whereas transport agencies have a singular focus - opportunity for conflict.
 - ***National Freight Demand Study***- Waikato, Canterbury

2. *Current Issues- Operational*

Introduction of Super Gold Card, the community funding (the T funds), domestic sea freight development fund, Procurement review

- ***Transition issues / GPS***- change to new 3 year planning and programming framework is underway. Need for certainty around funding and outcomes - clarification as to whether or current policy settings are likely to remain for 3 year planning cycle. New process - won't get everything right first time. Patience and tolerance required.
- ***Knowhow Guide*** - MOT/LGNZ out before Christmas

- ***N & R funding*** - increased pressure on N funds creating issues over varying criteria for use of R funds. LGNZ working with NZTA and MoT to identify options to resolve this issue.
- ***NZTA Programmes*** - An issue recently to arise is the delay being experienced by the regional transport committees in receiving the state highway programmes from NZTA. This is causing problems for the committees already working to tight time schedules and early indications are that this will delay some consultation processes eg...Otago Canterbury have already signaled this consequence.
- ***Code*** - to be released as a working draft.