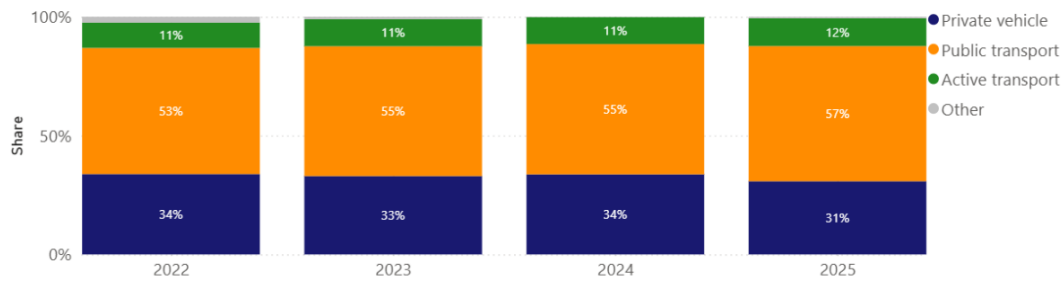


**Board Meeting**

<b>Date and time:</b>	<b>Wednesday 18th February 2026 at 1030am</b>
<b>Attendees:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meredith Bates (MB), Mott MacDonald – Chair</li> <li>• Peter Busfield (PB), NZ Marine - VC</li> <li>• Pete Bowden (PB0), VHHL/Tramco</li> <li>• Kara Hartshorne (KH), Beca</li> <li>• Anita Potgieter (AP), Visa</li> <li>• Sharon Byrne (SB), Auckland Theatre Company</li> <li>• Kara Kennedy (KK), Waitemata Local Board</li> <li>• Anna Sizova (AS), Precinct Properties</li> <li>• Mischa Gildenhuis (MG), PAG</li> <li>• Louise Vallant (LV), One NZ</li> <li>• Brigid Rogers (BR), WQ TMA Coordinator</li> </ul>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tom Locke (TL), Warren and Mahoney</li> <li>• Michael Hawes (MH), Warren and Mahoney</li> <li>• Tim Marsh (TM) Kiwi Property</li> <li>• Brett Sweetman (BS), Park Hyatt Auckland</li> <li>• Bernard Trevor (BT), ASB</li> <li>• Fiona Knox (FK), AUDO</li> </ul>
<b>Guests:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jennie Haysom (JH), Air New Zealand</li> <li>• Steven Zinsli (SZ), Extraordinary</li> <li>• Edward Caughey (EC), Heart of the City BID</li> <li>• Kelly Strong (KS), Auckland Transport</li> </ul>
<b>Notes taken by:</b>	Brigid Rogers
<b>Meeting held at:</b>	NZICC, 83 Wellesley Street West, Auckland

<b>Item</b>	<b>Discussion and Action</b>	<b>By who</b>
<b>1</b>	<p><b>Tour of the NZICC</b> Attendees were given a tour of the new NZICC which opened officially last week.</p>	
<b>2</b>	<p><b>Karakia and introductions</b> BR welcomed everyone to the meeting and all attendees then introduced themselves. MB agreed to Chair the meeting.</p>	
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Results of the 2025 Staff Travel Survey</b> Kara Hartshorne (KH) from Beca then presented the overall results from all businesses. Nine businesses took part with the survey taking place in October/November 2025. The businesses who took part were: Air NZ, ASB, Beca, Datacom, KPMG, Southern Cross, Trade Me, Warren &amp; Mahoney and WSP. Average response rate was 55% with the range between 27% and 96%. There was a 29% increase in the number of responses compared to 2024.</p> <p>KH thanked all the key sponsors including Auckland Transport, Auckland Urban Development office and Heart of the City. KH also thanked those who had kindly donated prizes including: Park Hyatt, SeaLink, Air NZ, Studio Pilates WQ, ASB Waterfront Theatre, AT and Auckland on Water Boat show. KH explained that the great prize pool was a key factor in the high response rates.</p> <p>The modes used to commute the longest distance travelled were: Bus 39%, car as driver alone 20% and train 14%. 61% aged 18 to 34 use public transport, compared to 56% aged 35+. 8% male biked or e-biked, compared to 3% female and 8% usually carpool. This is informal carpooling and it could be an opportunity to encourage others to carpool by formalising arrangements.</p> <p>The charts below show that over the years the PT mode share has increased and the private vehicle use has decreased.</p>	

### Change in mode share longest distance - usual



The way commuters arrive in WQ indicates the top 3 modes are: walk 43%, bus 26%, car as driver alone 14%. Over the past few years there has been a 5% increase in active modes (walking cycling etc) and a 4% decrease in private vehicles.

KH mentioned the targets that were set down in the AUP – with 70% of all journeys being by sustainable modes. KH noted that the area is still under development with many more new office and residential buildings in the pipeline. KH mentioned that it is important that we actively work with existing businesses to maintain momentum and support new businesses/employees to commute sustainably.

The distance that commuters travel is shown below, with 87% living within 20kms of Wynyard Quarter.

Distance to Wynyard Quarter	%	Count
<10km	57%	2,667
10 – 20km	30%	1,389
20 – 30km	10%	449
>30km	3%	130


KH examined that Beca looked at the opportunities for commuters to switch to more sustainable modes – such as PT. For example, 1,034 who usually commute by car live within a 5-minute walk (400m) of a bus stop. 334 who usually commute by car live within a 15-minute walk (1,200m) of a train station. KH noted that with the opening of CRL there were opportunities to grow the train user numbers. For example, the Western line journeys will be much quicker for commuters coming into the CBD (and on to WQ) compared with the current journey times.


Why people chose the way they commute overall was around convenience, speed and price. But car drivers cited convenience as their top reason, whereas PT and active modes commuters both cited the top reason as the cheapest option. KH explained that the survey went on to ask people why commuting sustainably was challenging for them. 12% said PT was too expensive – it could be that employers look to reduce costs by introducing Extraordinary or Fareshare. Commuters also noted that bikes and e-bikes were expensive – again options like Workride and Wheel Deal could help remove barriers for commuters.

KH was very impressed with the levels of engagement by the participants of the survey. When there were options for free text hundreds of people added their own comments. KH highlighted some of these.

KH noted that probably the biggest opportunity for Auckland Transport was around engagement connected to the opening of CRL. 17% said ‘Yes’ or ‘Maybe’ that CRL would change their commute to Wynyard Quarter.

#### Engagement Opportunities for AT before CRL Opens

 **1,079** people want information on how CRL will improve their travel to Wynyard Quarter

 **874** people want info on services and timetabling

 **625** want a free trial or HOP credit

 **580** want help with journey planning

	<p>KH shared the commuting emissions figures but explained that Beca were still working with Mott MacDonald, who undertook the survey in previous years, to fully explore the dataset. The current data suggested that the average commuting CO2-e per person per year was 496kg, that equated to a total of 11,675,687km travelled per year.</p> <p>KH commented on the high levels of engagement 1,700 respondents saying they wanted to find out more about transport, 1,200 wanted to be part of a focus group and 70 people who currently drive, want to know more about carpooling. These are all great opportunities to help encourage sustainable commuting. KH explained that the next steps were to report back to individual businesses and develop light touch travel plans with them. There would also be the opportunity to do a deeper dive into the data with AT, HOTC and AUDO – which could then be shared with their audiences.</p> <p>MB thanked KH for the presentation and asked about WFH data. KH indicated that this could be extracted from the data and that individual businesses would get that information as part of their reports. SZ asked if the data could be shared with others, BR explained that the overall data could be shared but not the data from individual businesses. SZ also asked about comparing the true costs of driving vs PT. BR noted that for many people the only costs they associate with driving to work is the parking. If they used the IRD mileage rate the costs for driving would be more realistic.</p>	
3	<p><b>Apologies and notes from last meeting / matters arising</b></p> <p>Apologies were noted as above. The notes of last meeting, which included the AGM were agreed by AP and seconded by LV.</p>	
4	<p><b>Election of officers</b></p> <p>The officer posts are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Chair – BR mentioned that as no one had volunteered to be Chair it could be that this would be a revolving Chair with all Board members taking a turn.</li> <li>○ Vice - MB mentioned that HS would be taking over as the Mott MacDonald rep on the TMA Board and he would be interested in being considered for this role. Proposed by AP seconded by MB.</li> <li>○ Treasurer - Pete Bowden offered to do this after but after April 2026. BS had indicated that he could continue until then and do a handover with PB. Proposed by AP seconded by SB</li> <li>○ Secretary - BR offered to continue in this role. Proposed by PB seconded by SB</li> </ul> <p>The officer declaration forms would be signed at the next Board meeting.</p> <p><b>POST MEETING</b></p> <p>HS offered to take on the role as Chair and his details have been circulated to all Board members. HS has made a declaration of conflict of interest: <i>“As part of my nomination, I would like to declare a conflict of interest. I am seconded 16 hours per week to June 31, 2026, to the AT Travel Choices team to deliver workplace travel planning activities with Auckland airport businesses. Given the secondment, it may not be appropriate for me to be involved in discussions relating to the funding agreement with the AT Travel Choices team. To mitigate the conflict, I suggest that the Vice Chair has delegated responsibility to sign the funding agreement.”</i></p> <p>AP has offered to undertake the VC role. AP is happy to negotiate and approve any funding agreements signed with AT.</p> <p>Both nominations are subject to approval of the Board at the next meeting on 1st April 2026.</p> <p>Both AP &amp; HS could be added as signatories to the TMA bank account – subject to Board approval.</p>	ALL
5	<p><b>Updates</b></p> <p><b>Chair</b> – MB informed the Board that this would be her last meeting as a new rep from Mott MacDonald had been appointed. Hamish Speakman would join future meetings. MB was thanked for all her hard work as Chair.</p> <p><b>Waitematā Local Board</b> – The rep for the WLB was introduced – Kara Kennedy. KK lives in WQ and will be attending future meetings. KK mentioned that she had attended a one-day symposium where it had been signalled that there may be changes in the roles of Local Boards. KK will keep us updated on that. KK also mentioned that AT had now repainted the lines on Fanshawe Street which had caused fines to be issued to some drivers for entering the lane too early.</p> <p><b>AT</b> – KS reported that the feedback from the Sail GP event had been good so far - PT ran smoothly. KS noted that Dean Kimpton was stepping down at the start of May and this was part of the transition process with AT/AC. The new organisational structure is due to be in place by September 2026. The Royal assent to change AT’s status was still taking place. Yet to be determined is what will revert to AC and what will stay a part of AT. KS reported that the PT team along with TAU had produced a new visitors map. This would be shared at information centres and could be given to cruise passengers and</p>	

	<p>conference delegates. KS had some printed copies which she circulated. A digital copy of the new map can be <a href="#">found here</a></p> <p><b>AUDO</b> – FK had sent her apologies, so no report was filed.</p>	
<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>Items of interest / AOB</b></p> <p><b>Auckland on Water Boat Show</b>  PB reported that this was to be held Thursday 5th to Sunday 8th March. 170 exhibitors this year. More information and tickets can be <a href="#">found here</a>.</p> <p><b>Taxi rideshare issues</b>  SB asked if there was any update on the cameras that were to be installed to try and control the rideshare vehicles. BR to follow up again with AT.</p> <p><b>Nighttime economy</b>  BR reported that she had met with a rep from TAU who were keen to look at more nighttime events and activations in WQ. BR stressed the importance of any events benefiting the existing businesses. BR mentioned that TAU were keen to meet with WQ businesses before any plans were made.</p>	<p><b>BR</b></p>
	<p><b>Date of next meeting Wednesday 1st April 2026 1030am venue tbc</b></p>	