

Minutes of Stratford-upon-Avon Town Transport Group meeting at the Town Hall, 10am Wednesday 25 February 2015

Present: Tim Berwick [TB], John Deegan [JD], Elizabeth Dixon [ED], Jo Edwards [JE], Ian Heggie [IH], David Miller [DM], Theresa Parker [TP] for Nadhim Zahawi [NZ], Kate Rolfe [KR], Robin Sankey, Chairman [RS], Karen Wild [KW].

1. **Apologies:** Ian Fradgley, Mayor [IF], Jenny Fradgley [JF],
2. **Declarations of Interest** none were noted.
3. **Minutes** of 7 January 2015 were agreed.
4. **Matters arising not covered by agenda:**
IF emailed that he had met with Chiltern and he would 'catch up' with RS.
Information requested for inclusion with minutes for benefit of TTG members. ED
RS had contacted Will Hanrahan and invited him to this meeting
5. **SDC matters:**
Rosebird P&R, at present this will cease in July but discussions have started to see if anything can be done. KR
Johnsons 25 service goes past - could it call in to car park. This facility is keeping vehicles out of town, which is good and usage continues to grow. As a private site it has never had the same support from local authorities.
RS to write to all candidates expressing concern, draft letter by JD + IH
Tramway footbridge, This continues to give concern. Stratford are preparing their Festival season starting on 3/05. The summer season will bring increase in visitors, many parking on the Rec and needing to use the Tramway to access town. It has been included as needing a solution in the Neighbourhood Plan. The Safety Advisory Group have flagged it is a risk to users in busy times as has Accessible Stratford. Many suggestions were made but agreement there has to be a permanent solution.
SDC are considering what to do. TB
6. **WCC matters:**
School cycling, cycle proficiency is still available for schools, support is given for Warwickshire Road Safety Club, sponsorship is always needed, work continues on safer ways to schools including 3 types of 20mph.
Town station: Completion of footbridge is now expected in June 2015 [updated since meeting]. Letter from Office Rail Regulator gives information about delays but nothing not already known. Other improvements should be completed by April 2016, plans available shortly. ED
Waiting for update re meeting with Chiltern. IF
Until Cattle Market site is resolved, general access to the station remains unresolved.
Warwick Road Safety Club is operating sponsored by a private company. WCC have £2.5m for safer routes to school partly to save money on school bus subsidies. £3m funds for other projects. 20mph zone near school is still on agenda
7. **Neighbourhood Plan:** The content is complete. Weekly meetings are held about the mapping inserts [have to be obtained, adjusted] and the actual legal process for submission after Core Strategy Examination report. SDC held useful workshop for benefit of all DC and TC councillors regarding the process.

8. **Motoring Festival:** 3 + 4/05, most town centre streets will be closed. Limited parking, information on web site. No cavalcade this year, only a parade as cars arrive between 8-9am. Overcrowding of pedestrians on Tramway bridge flagged again, has risk assessment been taken? Letters to WCC, SDC expressing concern now and into the future. KW
ED
 TB will ask about opening of dry arch bridge
 Could Clopton Bridge be closed during Motoring Festivals as other town roads already closed. JD
9. **Traffic Study:** 3rd Traffic Summit, 6pm Thursday 5/03 at Alveston Manor Hotel. Open to all. ThP
10. **Any other business:**
 Meeting on 26/02 about planning proposals for land near Waitrose site. KR
 Recent Cycle Forum meeting well attended with wide agenda. Lisa Jones is new cycle officer for the WCC DM
KR
 Overview + Scrutiny will discuss change to Bridgeway parking charges, presently ticket on exit. Changing to pay-and-display will discourage visitors staying longer than planned to shop/visit restaurants, etc. and opposite to what was agreed only 2 years ago. JD
ED
 CWLEP may have money for transport in the future after plans for Coventry Airport Business Park had failed.
 TRO for road changes in Albany Road and surrounding area. Objections made to blue badge bay proposals not allowing time for loading and visit to GP or dentist, contrary to national guidelines and agreement with DoT, British Parking Services etc.
 Nadhim Zahawi meeting CEO Chiltern in March

Date of next meeting: 10am, Wednesday 15 April.