

## **Stratford upon Avon Town Transport Group [TTG] meeting held from 9.30am - 11am on Thursday 20 April 2023 by Zoom**

**Present:** Gill Cleve [GC], Ian Fradgley [IF], Jenny Fradgley [JF], Mark Haselden [MH], Andy List [AL], Caroline Nash [CN], Theresa Parker [TP], Kate Rolfe [KR], Tim Sinclair [TS] part, Colin Stewart [CS], Jann Tracy [JT],

**Circulated to Members of the TTG and**

**WCC:** Councillors: Izzi Seccombe, Leader and Wallace Redford, Portfolio Holder.

Officers: Mark Ryder, Strategic Director for Communities and David Ayton-Hill, Assistant Director Communities [Transport Planning].

**SDC:** Councillors Tony Jefferson, Leader, Daren Pemberton, Portfolio Holder Place & Economy (Physical Infrastructure).

Officers: Tony Perks, Deputy Chief Executive.

**TC:** Officer: Caroline Nash, Town Clerk.

**Additional information:** <https://www.stratford-tc.gov.uk/town-hall/meetings-held-at-the-town-hall/-stratford-upon-avon-town-transport-group>

- 1 Colin Stewart, Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Apologies:** Rachel Blanchard, Elizabeth Dixon, Roger Harding, Rich Jones, Richard Lees, Stephen Rumble, Steve Turner

- 2 **Minutes** of 9 March 2023 were approved.

- 3 **Actions and Matters arising:** All covered on the agenda.

- 4 **Strategies and forward plans** CS

**4.1 Sustainable Parking Strategy:** There have been no updates for a long time. CS to chase.

**4.2 South Warwickshire Local Plan:** The Strategic Partnership [SP] also submitted a response. A small working group, including CS, has been put together by the SP to work through issues with John Careford who is also a member of the SP. CS to meet Jo Bozdoganli on behalf of TTG and, among other things, ask about scope of transport plan and mechanism for adjustment for seasonality. CS

#### **4.3 Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan [LCWIP]:**

Timetable currently due to be published in June but keeps getting pushed back. TS to chase. JF noted that more government money has come in to WCC but mainly being allocated to other parts of the county - partly due to Stratford schemes not meeting government criteria; Birmingham Road scheme does not comply with LTN1/20 but TS assured group that Alcester Road scheme will comply with LTN1/20 and funding will be found.

TS

#### **4.4 Towards an Integrated Transport Plan: Nothing to report**

**4.5 Bus Strategy:** Cabinet have agreed to continuation of current concessionary travel scheme and, as a 12 month trial, introduce free all day for disabled users. KR to chase request for timetables to be shown on bus stops. TS reported that the Enhanced Partnership is progressing and there will be a campaign to encourage bus use; the Bus Survey which is currently underway focusses primarily on communication. Live time electronic signage would be prohibitively expensive on stop by stop basis but there is a proposal to test this across a couple of routes which is expected to progress.

KR

### **5 Projects**

**5.1 Tiddington Road / Clopton Bridge:** No progress but it was noted that the Tiddington Road will be fully resurfaced this year. AL suggested taking advantage of the resurfacing to include cycle lanes and remove the central white line, which has been shown to be successful in calming traffic and providing for cyclists elsewhere. AL to send details to KR for transmission to WCC.

AL

**5.2 Shottery Relief road / Evesham Road Roundabout:** Due to open August. Once completed WCC will decide how to connect it to cycle path.

**5.3 Alcester Road:** Nothing to report.

**5.4 Birmingham Road:** Phase 3 may include changes. JF cautioned changes would lead to further delays. CS to follow up.

CS

**5.5 South Western Relief Road [SWRR] / LMA Garden Village:** This has been delayed due to the SWLP. Cycle path now connects to Greenway.

**6 Planning Applications:** There is an application in relation to the Canal Quarter. Concerns were expressed about lack of cycle paths and connectivity. The masterplan and previous

workshops were discussed. Connectivity was a big part of this and it was agreed that CS and MH would follow up with John Careford. It was noted that the NDP included a Site Specific Brief Policy relating to the canal Quarter Regeneration Zone (p158). CS commented that there should be a Development Corporation for the Canal Quarter. Foundation site due to come forward on a separate application. KR to follow up.

CS/MH

KR

John Careford to be invited to next TTG meeting to talk about Canal Quarter.

CS/ED

**7 Any Other Business:** *Accessible Stratford, Climate Action, Cycle Forum, Neighbourhood Plan, Stratford-Upon-Avon BID, Strategic Partnership, Stratford Society, Technical Sub-Group, Town, District and County Councillors*

Money has been allocated from the Safer Roads Fund for improvements on the Warwick Road. This is the second time this has happened and it is unclear what the money is for. ED to follow up with Stephen Rumble.

ED

**The next meeting is from 9.30am - 11am on Thursday 11 May 2023 at the Town Hall.**