

Stratford upon Avon Town Transport Group minutes of meeting by Zoom on Wednesday 11 November 2020

Present: Bob Bearman [BB], John Deegan [JD], Elizabeth Dixon [ED] *Secretary*, Ian Fradgley [IF], Jenny Fradgley [JF], Paul Harris [PH], Tony Jackson [TJ] *Mayor*, Phil Mills [PM], Richard Lees [RL], Theresa Parker [TP], Kate Rolfe [KR], Colin Stewart [CS] *Chair*, Jann Tracy [JT], Julie Crawshaw [JC] and Margaret Smith [MS] from WCC for item 2.

Action

- 1. The chair welcomed** to everyone to the meeting, and Bob Bearman as a new member to represent the Stratford-upon-Avon Cycle Forum. Also welcomed were Julie Crawshaw and Margaret Smith from WCC to present item 2.
Apologies: Richard Freer-Hewish [RFH], Mark Haselden [MH], Stephen Rumble [SR].
- 2. Birmingham Road proposals:** Julie Crawshaw and Margaret Smith from WCC had circulated a plan before the meeting showing Phase 1 of the work. In the meeting, they presented proposals for the complete scheme from A46 Bishopton Island to Guild Street. The scheme was as a result of the Traffic Summits hosted by our MP, Nadhim Zahawi, and public consultation in 2016. JC and MS then answered questions from members. The proposals were welcomed, but concern was expressed that this is a short-term solution, and there is a need to reduce traffic on this route, and maybe consider a 20mph speed limit.
ED to request Pptx for distribution.
- 3. Minutes of 14 October 2020:** Agreed
- 4. Actions and Matters arising (not covered by the Agenda):**
Item 3: Connecting Stratford have responded to say that it is an idea, rather than an organisation, brought together by the supporters of better rail links to SoA, Stratford Climate Action, and the Cycle Forum, and therefore would not be represented on TTG as such.
Item 3: BB has suggested that Stratford Climate Action representation on TTG should be reviewed and CS agreed to look into this. He had not received and further suggestions for appropriate groups for TTG.
Item 7: Local Transport Plan: Next action consultation early 2021, no further progress.
Item 8: CIL Funding for Bridge Street feasibility study does not meet SDC CIL criteria for capital works. Alternative proposals are being prepared by STC.
Item 13: Residents Parking: KR has not received any comments or feedback on proposals.
- 5. Riverside Green Corridor:** CS had met Sara Aspley, Chief Executive of the Town Trust who are promoting this jointly with SDC. Plans are being amended, and SA has been invited to be present at the December meeting.
- 6. Site Allocations Consultation:** SDC have published their proposals and three are of interest locally; Tiddington, Evesham Road [alongside Bordon Hill] and a

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new site on the Shipston Road, past Waitrose, for 201 dwellings and an additional 60 business units to supplement employment land already allocated south of the A46 (identified as SUA2 in the Core Strategy and policy SSB2 in the NDP).

Reference was made to the Transport Study which supports the Site Allocations, and it was agreed that the TTG should review the study.

CS/ED

7. **Town Centre Covid arrangements:** The WCC hosted review meeting recommended no changes to the current arrangements. However, it has been agreed to re-open High Street temporarily during Lockdown 2 to allow road re-surfacing.

8. **Lucy's Mill Bridge:** The Friends of LMB had distributed a video suggesting an upgrade to the bridge could be funded by the community. JF/CS to discuss background, etc.

JF/CS

9. **SWRR:** No news.

10. **Clopton Bridge / Tiddington Road junction improvements:** Update to be requested from SR.

SR

Clopton Pedestrian Bridge: SR reported by email that an initial feasibility report is awaited from colleagues in WCC structures team. He hopes to have this for the next meeting, and has been chasing it. From initial work it does appear to be a challenging location in which to construct a pedestrian / cycle bridge due to levels and the limited space on the southern side of the bridge.

11. **AOB:**

Accessible Stratford: Blue badge bays in Chapel Lane are back to their normal location after the 2 years RSC Costume Workshop rebuild. Thanks to WCC for their support for this.

Helping WCC and SDC with suitable locations for EV charging points for users with disabilities.

Cycle Forum: Friends of LMB speaking to them soon.

BB

Stratford Society: Asking for High Street to be pedestrianised permanently as per the NDP.

JD

Next meeting is at 10:00 on Wednesday 9 December.