

Transport Group Meeting

Wednesday 22 June 2011 Town Hall 10.00

Present – Ian Heggie (Chair) - Roger Bennett (WCC) – Kate Rolfe (WCC) – Roger Davis (SS) – Robin Sankey (SS) – Elizabeth Dixon (AS) - Martyn Luscombe (Voice) – Jenny Fradgley (STC SDC) – Lloyd Beesley (Voice) – Sue Stevens(Voice)

1 Apologies – Chris Gregory, Stratforward (BiD) – Neil Basnett, Stratforward (BiD)

2 Minutes 11-05-11 approved

3 Matters arising

4 Yvette Widdowfield gave an up-date on the thinking of SDC re parking issues. YW said that SDC were engaged with an in depth 'systems thinking' exercise and were not yet ready to discuss issues with members or interested parties. Some frustration was expressed as the TG together with STC councillors and Stratforward (BiD) have been trying to make contact with SDC to discuss the implications of the 2 surveys undertaken, 1 by STC (resident's issues)and 1 by Stratforward (commuter and shopper issues).

Action YW said that she would arrange a meeting with SDC, Stratforward (BiD) and STC to progress aspects of the systems thinking exercise.

5 STC replacement for Cllr Clive Thomas will be confirmed at the next full council meeting on Tue 19 July

6 Presentation by Sue Stevens and Lloyd Beesley re proposals for up grading of Lucy's Mill Bridge. An interesting presentation by Voice on their latest work achieved on promoting the refurbishment/rebuild of Lucy's Mill Footbridge.

Comments made;

- Could form a trust / charity to take the idea forward and look for funding.
- Sculpture trail an interesting addition, could exploit the transport element re tramway and railway links to attract a broader audience.
- Make a presentation to the Town council.
- Needs communicating to residents through local groups ie Community Forum/ residential groups/ schools
- First contact WCC bridge people for in depth discussion.

Action Transport Group keen to be kept in touch with the progress of the project . RD will arrange a meet to discuss any overlapping issues with his Toll House project

7 Cllr Kate Rolfe has arranged with David Elliston WCC to take down selected temporary signs around the town. This has been done.

8 The brief CV's of Group members were approved for placing on the web site. JF asked if the agenda for meetings should be posted on the web site as well as the minutes. This was approved.

9 A Steering Group meeting has been arranged by WCC to discuss the final conclusions and recommendations of the feasibility studies on the Bus Station and a second Park & Ride facility. Date to be confirmed, but hope the outcome of the meeting can be reported at the next Transport Group meeting.

10 Agreed that RD will attend Historic Spine meetings in IH absence and to be appointed as alternative representative for the TG on the Historic Spine Group was approved.

A.O.B. None

Meeting closed at 12.00

Next meeting Wednesday 7 September