

## Transport Report



The Town Transport Group (TTG) represents various Stratford interest groups such as Accessible Stratford, Climate Action, the Cycle Forum, the Neighbourhood Plan, the Strategic Partnership, Stratforward, Town, District and County Councils, and the Stratford Society. Meetings take place once a month, and since the first lockdown via Zoom, but will soon continue in-person at the Town Hall.

Topics recently discussed include the public consultation on proposed changes to High Street, Union Street, Bridge Street, a sustainable parking strategy, the local cycling and walking infrastructure plan, and current and proposed roadworks. Updates are given to the TTG by the relevant councillors at various times.

Very often at the beginning of a scheme reports are made to the TTG that are not yet in the public domain, so cannot be disseminated. As the County Council and Highways England are the organisations that actually implement changes to the road system there seems to be a disconnect at times between what is expressed in meetings and what can actually be achieved. When appropriate the TTG expresses doubts and/or frustrations with proposed and outstanding issues, as recently seen in the Stratford-upon-Avon Herald. As a transport group, buses and trains are also included in the remit and are frequently discussed. Although meetings often contain nothing of immediate concern to the Stratford Society, I think that as a Civic and Historical interest group we should continue to be represented.

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