

**TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD**  
**Wednesday, 14th November, 2018**

Present:- Councillor Lelliott (in the Chair); Councillors Andrews, Beaumont, Cowles, Cusworth, Fenwick-Green, Hoddinott, Jarvis, Jepson, McNeely, Pitchley, Russell, Sheppard, Simpson, Walsh, Whysall and Williams.

Also in attendance:-

Mr. N. Broadhead (SYPT), Mrs. D. Murphy (Stagecoach), Mr. M. Parkinson (Rotherham Community Transport) and Mr. S. Radford (First Group).

Officers:- Mr. I. Ashmore, Mr. A. Lee and Mr. M. Reynolds.

Apologies for absence:- Apologies were received from Councillors D. Cutts and Mallinder and Parish Councillor J. R. Swann (Woodsetts Parish Council); Mr.M. Cranwell (Stagecoach) and Mrs. K. Naylor (Doncaster Sheffield Airport).

**12. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 15TH AUGUST 2018**

Consideration was given to the minutes of the previous meeting of the Transportation Advisory Board, held on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2018.

In approving the minutes it was noted that at a recent Remembrance Day Event in Wales a bus driver stopped his vehicle and stood for two minute's silence as a mark of respect. Ward Members wished to place on record their thanks.

Agreed:- That the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as a correct record.

**13. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Reference was made to Minute No. 5 (Rail Operator's Update) and the lack of any information which would be raised through further discussions.

Officers also confirmed that the business case in relation to Minute No. 8(1) (A630 Parkway Widening Scheme) was due to be submitted by September, 2019. This £42 million road widening scheme would seek to reduce congestion and have a positive impact on air quality.

**14. QUESTIONS ON TRANSPORT ISSUES**

The Transportation Advisory Board noted the details of questions on transport matters, however, it was pointed out that as detailed in the Board's Terms of Reference Members shall raise queries regarding traffic and transportation issues in writing with the Chair not less than fourteen working days in advance of the forum such that the public transport

operators and/or officers could bring appropriate answers directly to the meeting.

The Chair, in exercising her discretion, allowed the following questions:-

- Bawtry Road Bus Stop – Accident Damage.
- Maps and draft timetables for the X1 changes – can these be provided.
- Rationale for the X1 changes and if its due to the new tram train service, this is a little premature to change the buses given the tram has already been out of service twice.
- Why can you not buy tram tickets in advance in Rotherham and why can you not pay contactless?
- Use of the Stagecoach App.
- Changes to the No. 10 bus route from Maltby cutting out a direct link to the hospital.

The Board were also reminded of the opportunities to submit other questions to operators via dedicated email between meetings for a response, but would ensure that reminders to submit questions, in advance of the next meeting of the Transport Advisory Board, would be circulated by Democratic Services three weeks before the meeting to avoid any delay in questions being received.

Agreed:- That the details of the questions and the responses be noted.

(2) That reminders to submit questions, in advance of the next meeting of the Transport Advisory Board, be circulated by Democratic Services three weeks before the meeting to avoid any delay in questions being received.

## **15. SOUTH YORKSHIRE PASSENGER TRANSPORT EXECUTIVE - UPDATE**

South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive provided an update on:-

- Consultation

The live consultation on the changes to the bus services was to commence imminently and 1400 notices were to be posted at bus stops by the close of play on the relevant road network.

All Elected Members, Members of Parliament and Parish Councils had been informed by email about the consultation.

- Tram Train

The tram train was now in operation and proving to be very popular most days.

- Rotherham Interchange

Works to the Rotherham Interchange were well on their way. A couple amendments had been made to the scheme in order to improve visibility. The aim was still to have the interchange finished by mid-February.

Agreed:- That the information be noted.

## **16. BUS OPERATORS - UPDATE**

The Bus Operators provided an update as follows:-

- First Group

Consultation was to commence and for this to reach as many people as possible. The website provided a summary of the changes with the aim of being as accessible as possible. Maps were only available on proposed altered routes. Where no change was recommended the maps were not duplicated.

- Stagecoach

The recent changes to the services via Greasbrough had proved beneficial to aid congestion.

With regards to the new start-stop technology, this was now standard for newly acquired vehicles and would be introduced into the fleet as vehicles were replaced.

- Community Transport

Nothing further to update.

Agreed:- That the information be noted.

## **17. RAILWAY OPERATORS - UPDATE**

Representatives were not in attendance.

## **18. DONCASTER SHEFFIELD AIRPORT - UPDATE**

Consideration was given to the minutes of the Doncaster Sheffield Airport Consultation Committee held on 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2018.

Agreed:- That the information be noted.

**19. ROAD SAFETY CASUALTY STATISTICS**

Andrew Lee presented a report to attendees regarding the 2017 road safety casualty statistics for the borough. The headlines of this presentation included:-

- Total No of collisions 514, falling below 600 for first time since records began in 1979.
- Overall number of people injured reduced to 728, the first time this has been below 800.
- Number of fatalities increased to 10 from 7 in 2016.
- Serious casualties reduced to 117 from 122 in 2016.
- Slight casualties saw a large reduction from 678 to 601 in 2017.
- Car user and P2W KSI casualties fell but pedestrian and pedal cycle KSIs increased.

A discussion and answer session ensued and the following issues were raised and clarified:-

- Data statistics for accidents on school crossings involving children.
- Road accident statistics, its collation timeframes and reasons for any specific delays.
- Proactive campaigns and interaction with schools, sixth forms and colleges and the Police.
- Measures in place to liaise with low income workforces.
- Hot spot areas and analysis of accident data.
- Evidence based led network management.
- Use of LED street lighting.

Agreed:- That officers be thanked for their informative presentation and the information be noted.

**20. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Attention was drawn to the HS2 Consultation currently taking place. The deadline for responses was 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2018 at 11.45 a.m. and Ward Members affected may wish to respond.

**21. DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETINGS**

Agreed:- (1) That the next meeting of the Transportation Advisory Board take place on 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 at Rotherham Town Hall commencing at 2.00 p.m.

(2) That dates for further meetings for the Transportation Advisory Board be confirmed as:-

Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2019  
Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> August, 2019

To take place at the Town Hall commencing at 2.00 p.m.