

Action Points from 11th February, 2026, meeting:-

SYMCA

(1) Question from Cllr Thorp re re-routing of the bus service around Whiston.

Agreed:- That SYMCA and Councillor Thorpe meet to discuss the possibility of a bus re-route around Whiston.

(2) Question from Cllr Thorp re Herringthorpe Valley Road.

SYMCA was undertaking a comprehensive review of local connectivity requirements and the needs of residents in Herringthorpe would form a key part of that assessment. SYMCA agreed to feed the outcome of the discussion into the meeting to be arranged with Councillor Thorp.

(3) Question from Cllr Bennett-Sylvester re bus fares

Agreed:- That a representative of the SYMCA Franchising Team attend the next meeting to provide an update on the current situation.

SYMCA Update

Agreed: (1) That an update on Demand Responsive Transport pilot be provided to the next meeting.

(2) That SYMCA provide information on the potential Dearne Valley/expanded Goldthorpe railway stations.

(3) That if possible SYMCA share information of which services operated from the Olive Grove Sheffield Depot and Doncaster Depot.

First Bus Update

Question by Cllr Currie on behalf of Cllr Garnett re the possible reintroduction of the No. 139 bus to Ox Close Avenue/St. Johns Green

Agreed:- That SYMCA discuss further with Councillors Currie and Garnett and Rotherham Community Transport

Northern Rail

Agreed:- That Northern Rail provide an update at the next meeting on Swinton Interchange and Rotherham Central and the possibility of increasing training services to that of pre-covid levels as well as the capacity/overcrowding issues raised.