

Stratford upon Avon Town Transport Group [TTG]

Minutes from a meeting at 9.30am - 11am

on Thursday 13 February by Zoom

Present: George Cowcher, John Deegan, Elizabeth Dixon *Secretary*, Ian Fradgley, Jenny Fradgley, Mark Haselden, Richard Lees, Caroline Nash, Kate Rolfe, Tim Sinclair, Louisa Slator [*working at SDC*], Colin Stewart *Chair*, Jann Tracy, Steve Turner.

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WCC: Officers: Mark Ryder, Strategic Director for Communities and David Ayton-Hill, Assistant Director Communities [Transport Planning], Councillors Izzi Seccombe, Leader and Jan Matecki, Transport Portfolio Holder.

SDC: Officers: Tony Perks, Deputy Chief Executive, Councillor Susan Juned, Leader and Councillor George Cowcher, Portfolio Holder.

TC: Officer: Caroline Nash, Town Clerk.

Additional information: <https://www.stratford-tc.gov.uk/town-hall/meetings-held-at-the-town-hall/-stratford-upon-avon-town-transport-group>

- 1 Colin Stewart, Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

Apologies: Aaron Corsi, Andy List.

- 2 **Minutes** of 12 December 2024 were approved.

- 3 **Actions and Matters arising:** It was resolved by SDC on 10 February 2025 that the content of the Stratford-upon-Avon Integrated Transport Strategy and Action Plan, be noted and taken into account in the preparation of the South Warwickshire Local Plan.

- 4 **South Warwickshire Local Plan (SWLP):** Discussion about the draft response from the TTG prepared by the Technical Sub-Group. Agreed it will be submitted to the Consultation, with minor amendments, and individuals encouraged to also submit their views.

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- 5 **Any other Business:** TS reported that the design for Phase 3 of Birmingham Road will be announced soon, and the work will then be started.

**The next TTG meeting is from 9.30am - 11.30am
on Thursday 13 March 2025 at the Town Hall**

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Update: **13.02.25**

Stratford-upon-Avon Transport Project Status

	Project	Status	Action	Last Update
1	Pedestrian priority of Bridge Street & High Street	Current discussions are around a compound on the north-west side, with one-way traffic along High Street from Town Hall towards Bridge Street. The parking and blue badge on the south-east side (outside WH Smith) would be retained. CG had advised pedestrianisation could be implemented next summer. <i>Councillors reported on a meeting held where initial plans were discussed. (Post meeting note: It is understood the Construction Management Plan is still in early discussion)</i>		14.11.24
2	Birmingham Road	<i>Section 1 of Phase 2 works complete. Phase 3 designs on the website are out of date. Several of the side road crossings will be left as now, which is contrary to LTN 1/20 and not considered safe. CS requested WCC councillors to progress this.</i>	TS	14.11.24
3	Clopton Bridge / Tiddington Road Junction	Original scheme withdrawn. <i>WCC working on proposal for northern side of river.</i>	WCC	23.12.22
4	Evesham Roundabout	Now open, WCC to decide how to connect cycle paths through the junction. WCC still to commission design work. <i>JF to chase.</i>	WCC JF	14.12.23 9.5.24
5	Alcester Road A46 Roundabout (Shottery Relief Road)	CS wrote to National Highways (7.12.23) to request timescales for starting construction and completion. CS wrote to Nadhim Zahawi, as suggested by TP, who forwarded the request, and had a reply. However, it didn't address the		

		question, which was “when”. The note included a further contact. CS wrote to this contact on 16.1.24. Still no response. Meeting 28 Feb. arranged by our MP. RL attending for the TTG.	National Highways	16.1.24 12.9.24 13.02.25
6	Alcester Road Cycle Tracks	Awaiting concept plans from WCC. Advised this will follow LTN 1/20 guidance. TS advises design complete. Plans awaited. CF have requested objectives. Stephen Rumble presented proposals to TTG at 11.7.24 meeting. CS wrote with simple suggestions to accommodate LTN1/20 requirements at junctions on 12.7.24. No response. Councillors to chase.	WCC WCC JF	13.7.23 11.7.24 12.9.24
7	South Western Relief Road	Report on viability of sustainable alternatives delayed linking into SWLP. Reports were embargoed by WCC, now understand will be available.	WCC	20.1.23 8.10.24
8	Greenway All-weather Surfacing	Phase 1: Milcote to SuA works complete, however the surface which was understood to be bonded all weather tar & chip, appears to be loose unwashed round gravel including significant fine material and dust. It has been noted it is difficult to wheel through on bikes, push chairs. S106 wording, which specifies a “ sealed all-weather surface on the Greenway between the site and Stratford-upon-Avon, to make the route suitable for cycle commuting and other utility journeys from the site. ” Which clearly is not what has been constructed. KR has written to WCC to advise what has been constructed is unacceptable. KR held a meeting with WCC on site on 5 November. A follow up is planned to advise solutions. CS also noted there is S106 money for pedestrian and cycle crossing that was supposed to be installed at Milcote Road / Greenway junction at start of	KR	5.11.24

		occupation of Meon Vale. CS has sought update from SDC S106 compliance manager. Additional funding to be sought via CIL process for Milcote to Long Marston, with decision in April 2024.	SDC	8.10.24
			DAH	9.5.24
9	Knights Lane	Complete KR chasing some outstanding finishes.		
10	Canal Quarter Regeneration	Meeting with SDC held 15.6.23. TTG outlined concerns about delivery of the vision in the site masterplan (SDP) as land parcels come forward individually for planning approval. Infrastructure needs to be funded and implemented in advance of plans for homes, or it is unlikely to “fit”, and will be more expensive. Canal crossings are a key example. SDC officers to investigate options and report back. Update requested. JF requested update on proposals for bridge crossings.	SDC	15.6.23
			RB	10.8.23
			SDC	11.01.24
11	Gateway	SPD approved.	SDC	9.5.24
12	Warwick Road	Complete.		
13	Tow Path improvement, Bishops Lane to Timothy’s Bridge Rd.	S106 Funding available from Bishopton Housing development. SDC negotiating with Canal & Rivers Trust to do the work. Third Party insurance claim is the hold up. Canal & river Trust now update their website and eventually WCC got the details correct on P&R Stride after ED contacted WCC CE and Chair. LS checking with SDC CIL/S106 officers to see what is happening.	SDC	12.10.23 12.9.24 13.02.25
14	Banbury Road cycle route extension to Sonnett Park.	S106 funding received from development. WCC advise design to start end October.	WCC WCC	20.3.24 8.10.24