

# TfSE Transport Forum 22 May 2019 Minutes

#### Item

### 1. Welcome and Apologies

Geoff French welcomed the Transport Forum and apologies were noted. Geoff also thanked those Members of the Forum that have stepped down due to local election results for their contribution to TfSE.

#### 2. Minutes from Previous Meeting

The notes from the previous meeting were agreed.

#### 3. Update on Activities

Mark Valleley informed the Forum that TfSE's transport strategy consultation launch event will take place on 10 October at Farnborough Airport. As well as the strategy launch, there will be an interesting programme of speakers and invitations will be issued shortly.

Sarah Valentine gave an update on the Major Road Network (MRN) and Large Local Major (LLM) schemes, including the potential scheme applications for the TfSE area. TfSE would like the Transport Forum members to review the potential schemes and feedback with their thoughts. The lists will be circulated after the meeting for review but responses will need to be received by 31 May.

For slides, see separate document – 'TfSE Transport Forum 22 May 2019 – MRN'

#### 4. Future TfSE Engagement

Rachel Ford explained the purpose of the recent survey circulated to the Transport Forum and summarised the responses received.

Rachel sought feedback from the room and some comments are outlined below;

- Do not want to see an increase in papers/emails from TfSE
- It is important to have strategic views on the Forum
- Do not inundate with emails, better to streamline communications and make it obvious when action is required
- There is an interest in engaging further with young people
- There is a value in having a wide group of people from different sectors on the Forum. It is important to hear different views and expand our strategic understanding
- Ideas for presentations electric 2 wheeled transport; housing / house building company
- At the moment, local plans are still focussed on roads, need to increase the importance of cleaner transport modes / walking / cycling
- Attendees appreciate being asked to contribute and have input on schemes



Rachel outlined that TfSE would like to set up a sub-group to review the terms of reference and operation of the Forum, especially as we move towards statutory status. Phil Dominey, Mike D'Alton, Richard Higgins, Karen Tiley and Cllr Caroline Horrill all volunteered to sit on this sub-group.

A report will be taken to the Shadow Partnership Board in December with recommendations for the Transport Forum. Any changes would be incorporated into meetings in 2020.

For slides, see separate document – 'TfSE Transport Forum 22 May 2019 – Survey and Proposal'

### 5. Proposal to Government

Rachel Ford confirmed that the forum should have received an email circulated recently which contained information on our draft proposal to Government consultation. TfSE would like stakeholders to respond and the Forum were asked to help encourage these responses. Rachel explained the value of statutory status, proposed functions and how stakeholders can respond.

There was a discussion regarding rail powers and it was confirmed that the requested powers could be reviewed depending on the outcome of the Williams Rail Review. In addition, there was a discussion regarding bus powers and TfSE explained why they are requesting these powers. Forum members are encouraged to respond to the proposal consultation with their views.

The proposal consultation runs until 31 July 2019; the final proposal will be agreed at the Shadow Partnership Board in Sept 2019; constituent authorities will give their consent in the Autumn and will be submitted to the DfT by end of 2019.

For slides, see separate document – 'TfSE Transport Forum 22 May 2019 – Survey and Proposal'

## 6. Transport Strategy

Ian Brooker updated the Forum on the freight, logistics and international gateways research and findings. Morag White explained they had 135 responses to their recent freight survey and held meetings with specific operators. The results of the survey were discussed and the slides will be distributed after the meeting.

It was also confirmed that the National Infrastructure Commission freight report has some very interesting recommendations which TfSE should consider.

Mark Valleley briefly explained the purpose of the smart and integrated ticketing work programme, the project to date and next steps.

Giles Perkins updated on the future transport technology work programme.

Jon Peters explained his work on forecasting and the work around future demand scenarios.

A workshop took place on four proposed scenarios (the London Hub, Route to Growth, Digital Future and Sustainable Future). The results will be shared by the next meeting.



For slides, see separate documents – 'TfSE - Transport Forum 22 May 2019 - Future Transport Technology' and 'TfSE - Transport Forum 22 May 2019 - Transport Strategy Updates'

## 7. Feedback to the Board

Geoff French confirmed he will feedback to the Shadow Partnership Board on the workshop, survey results and those who have volunteered to sit on a sub-group.

#### 8. AOB

Nick Farthing confirmed that the Community Rail Partnership is holding a free event on the 15 July, to which all are invited. Speakers will include DfT, rail operators, bus operators etc.