

# **BUXTON TOWN TEAM - ACCESS, PARKING, TRAFFIC & TRANSPORT GROUP**

## **NOTES OF THE TRAVEL PLAN MEETING ON 16<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2017**

**Present:** Andy Parker, Janet Miller, Jean Todd, Jim Lowe, Jim Seymour, Peter Wiltshier, Richard Lovell, Richard Tuffrey, Steve Caddy, Tina Heathcote

**Apologies:** Derek Bodey, Dick Silson, Pranali Prakesh

### **1. Notes of the Last Meeting**

Notes of the meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2017 were approved as a true record. It was clarified that the cycling information mentioned in the penultimate paragraph refers to cycling and walking surveys carried out in Chesterfield that might serve as useful templates. JimS will forward these to JimL.

**JS**

### **2. Disruptions in 2018**

A number of potential disruptions are anticipated in 2018 including:

**Hogshaw Sidings** - the plan was to link into the A6 at the far side of Fairfield Common, but traffic can back up that far from Fairfield Road.

**Foxlow** - A section 106 agreement associated with housing development may affect Five Ways Junction.

**Severn Trent** - a £7million improvement programme is starting imminently, replacing water mains. The extent of the work is not known but they are holding a drop in information session on 12<sup>th</sup> December 3pm-7pm in the Pavilion Gardens. Noted that if they are causing disruption on major highways they need to give three months notice to DCC, and details will be posted on [www.roadworks.org](http://www.roadworks.org) (see Appendix)

**Nestle Site** - we understand discussions are progressing, but have no information.

### **3. Building the Evidence Base**

#### **3.1 Residents' Survey**

Andy and Tina have been working on this, reducing the number of open questions for ease of analysis, while avoiding channelling people's answers. Andy will circulate the latest version to everyone for comment. Agreed we should ask for people's work and/or home post codes. Also agreed we have a logo for the Travel Plan, based on the one we produced for the Buxton on the Move conference.

Regarding timing, agreed we should probably run it through quarter 1, ideally to finish before the worst of the Severn Trent traffic disruption. Noted we need a significant number of responses, say around 1,000, for the survey to be meaningful. It will need a lot of promotion!

**AP**

#### **3.2 Business Survey**

While we have some data, we really need more. Tina will pull together a list of businesses in the town that are likely to have 50 employees or more, for JimL/RichardL to contact. Peter will devise a plan to engage staff and students at the University. The aim is to have responses from 10-15 businesses.

**TH  
PW**

### **4. Bikes and Cycling**

The cycling sub group have met and identified four areas to pursue:

- Audit of cycling strategies - there seem to be a lot of them
- Cycling as a Business Opportunity - they have a meeting with Carol Parsons this week
- Improve in-town cycling routes - collect evidence on best routes with reference to eg traffic
- Develop a Route Plan - for shared or cycle only routes into and within the town

Noted that Derbyshire has a well developed strategy, and aim to be the best cycle connected county in the country by 2030. Details are on [www.activederbyshire.org.uk/derbyshire-cycling-plan](http://www.activederbyshire.org.uk/derbyshire-cycling-plan), along with the results of a public consultation. Noted also that electric bikes should feature in the plan for Buxton.

Other points:

- The link to the Monsal Trail has not progressed, but the link to the High Peak Trail will open soon.
- Derby City are launching an electric bike share scheme with 200 bikes, in January
- There are two local electric bike hire companies - at Hassop Station and at Blackwell Mill.

Jim will invite RichardL to attend the next meeting of the cycling sub group; RichardL will invite JimL to the next meeting of the DCC Cycle Liaison Group which he chairs.

**JL  
RL**

### **5. Parking**

Noted there seem to be a lot of cars parking on double yellow lines, for discussion at a future meeting.

### **6. Fairfield Road**

Tina and Richard Lower went at the request of a local resident, and identified various improvements that might be made, and are looking to work with HPBC to address them. Of relevance to APTT, they noted the footpath is in a very bad state of repair and contacted DCC Highways. Repairs are not currently in the programme but Richard Lovell has arranged for an inspection to see if it can be brought forward, and will let us know. HPBC are looking at a solution to wheelie bins blocking the pavement.

**RL  
RT**

## 7. Funding

HPBC have offered £500 towards evidence gathering; Derek has applied for funding to the Community Rail Partnership; we have not heard yet regarding our application to DCLG.

## 8 University of Derby Experts

UoD Pro Vice Chancellor (Research) Nikolaos Antonopoulos is keen to work with us on the Travel Plan, as is Derek Spalton from in the Civil Engineering Department. Both of them will attend our next meeting.

## 9. Awareness Raising Day

Peter has four students who may be interested to help organising this, and who joined us for this section. The aim is to encourage people to try different modes of transportation such as pedal bikes, electric bikes, electric cars. It was agreed we should aim for this to take place in March or April.

## 10. Other Business

**Town Entry Signs** - suggested they could be improved.

**Buxton Spa** - no news re the request for trains announcements to refer to Buxton Spa.

**Car Sharing** - noted a useful not for profit website [liftshare.com/uk/carshare](http://liftshare.com/uk/carshare)

## 11. Next Meeting

This will be on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December. We will take Nikolaus and Derek on a tour of the town at 1pm, Peter will organise a minibus. A meeting will follow at the Dome at around 3pm.

JCMM  
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## APPENDIX - Summary of Severn Trent Road Works

Location	Dates	Detail
Brownedge Road	15Nov - 28Nov	Traffic lights
Leek Road, North of Ladmanlow	27Nov - 1Dec	Traffic lights
Grinlow Rd, near Fiddle St junction	29Nov - 4Dec	Traffic lights
Lansdowne Road	6Dec - 8Dec	Traffic lights
South Street, between High St & Market St	15Jan - 28Feb	Road closed
Bennett Street, from Byron St to Dale Rd	9Jan - 16Feb	Road closed
Dale Road, by junction with Bennett St	22Jan - 29Jan	Traffic lights
Chatsworth Rd (Victoria Pk to Granby Rd)	15Jan - 23Feb	Traffic lights
Granby Road	15Jan - 26Jan	Traffic lights
Victoria Park Road	15Jan - 2Feb	Traffic lights
Sherwood Road	1Dec - 13Feb	Traffic lights
Derwent Road, from Wellbeck to Sherwood Rd	9Mar - 29Mar	Road closed
Aldwark Road, Sherwood Rd to Sherwood Rd	23Mar - 23April	Road closed
Grove Lane, off Sherwood Rd	27April - 18May	Road closed
Harthill Walk, Sherwood Rd to Highland Close	11May-1Jun	Footpath closed

Also listed but marked as 'delays unlikely':

Ladycroft Avenue

Silverlands

Holker Road

Heath Grove

Oaklea, Forest Avenue, Wellbeck Avenue (all off Sherwood Rd)

### Separately:

1. The bottom part of Windsor Rd will be closed 11-22 December for DCC to replace the parapet railings.
2. Charles Street will be closed on 13-14 December for the rail bridge to be inspected.
3. St Johns Rd by St Johns Church will have traffic controls to allow tree felling.

Full details on

[http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/transport\\_roads/roads\\_traffic/roadworks/Current\\_roadwork\\_activity/default.asp](http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/transport_roads/roads_traffic/roadworks/Current_roadwork_activity/default.asp)  
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