



Transport Partnership

4th March 2010 – 2-4.30pm

ASBAH, 42 Park Road, Peterborough

MINUTES

Present:

Nigel Bringham, Chair, Sustrans
 Nick Goodman, GPP
 Nicola Francis, PCC
 Cathy Summers, PCC
 Kathie Longbone, PCT
 Barry Kirk, PCC
 Ross Burton, PCC
 Jack Eagle, PCC
 David Boddy, Atkins
 Richard Paten, Railworld
 Roger Hutchings, Queensgate
 Hugh Cripps, PECT
 Steve Horner, Peterborough Local Access Forum
 Mark Norman, Highways Agency
 Rob Marshall, Transport Initiatives & Cycling England

1	WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
	The Chair welcomed those present and introductions were made. Apologies for absence were received from Chris Swain - Environment Agency, Andy Campbell – Stagecoach, Prue Lester – IAM, Mark Speed - PCC Duncan Frazer and Glen Fiddy – East Coast
2	MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 19th October 2009 and MATTERS ARISING
2.1	Agreed as a true record – although it was requested that greater emphasis but put on cycle carrying buses and light rail transit.
2.2	NG reported that all actions had been completed apart from putting taxi

	licensing had been followed up (this will be done outside the meeting)
	Action: Cathy Summers would consider cycle carrying buses (using California case study) and consider how we pursue similar
	Action: Barry Kirk and Jack Eagle agreed to compile a very simple feasibility study on light rail transit for Peterborough
3	Performance Report – Local Area Agreement
3.1	Nicola Francis updated the Partnership on progress against our three national indicators; NI 175, NI177 and NI 198.
3.2	NI175 – Currently awaiting the latest figures. NI 177 – Behind target on this indicator and very little indication that things would improve. Appears to be a national trend and a result of losing commuting trips through unemployment. NI198 – Significant activity in the area of school transport including school travel planning and the introduction of walking buses
	Action: Hugh Cripps suggested that to increase member engagement, perhaps ward councillors could be invited to award the school travel prizes – in light of some hesitancy from elected members to promote walking and cycling at the recent big scrutiny debate.
	Action: Barry Kirk and David Boddy would undertake a rudimentary exercise to work out how much modal shift to bus patronage was needed to meet our NI177 – Bus journey indicator.
4	Sustrans Call to Action
4.1	Nigel Brigham introduced the recently launched Sustrans call to action, More haste less speed which..... <i>Sustrans calls on UK governments to invest in doubling the number of journeys under five miles made by foot, bike and public transport to four out of five by 2020.</i> http://www.sustrans.org.uk/about-sustrans/call-to-action-for-2020
5	Ipswich: Transport fit for the 21st Century
5.1	Nigel Brigham outlined the transport aspirations of Ipswich. Ipswich has set itself the task of transforming transport in the town and has bid for a £25 million investment. See more information on the powerpoint slides via http://www.gpp-peterborough.org.uk/partners-transport.php
6	Long Term Transport Strategy
6.1	David Boddy, Ross Burton and Jack Eagle presented the progress on the Long Term Transport Strategy; the vision, the evidence and the options. Details of the strategy, the presentation and the background can be found at www.pltts.org.uk You can gain access to the “General” area, but to download documents is password protected

	<p>username: LTTS password: heward61</p> <p>The group welcomed the time and effort that the team have invested in the Long Term Transport Strategy and had a number of thoughts and comments on various elements of the work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members questioned the term <i>FutureBus</i> and whether this was a little too prescriptive, in light of Light rail transit options etc. Perhaps it would be better to use the term <i>Mass transit</i>. • Members felt that the transport options for Highways outweighed those for sustainable transport activity. In some ways this is understandable due to current pressure on highways, but by causing modal shift, and factoring peak oil...demands will change. • Members questioned why the Smarter Choices options had not passed the <i>Health</i> test. Sustainable transport has clear and evidenced positive impact on health and well being. • Members wanted to see a better measure of health than CO₂ emissions (which is same as climate indicator anyway) <p>There was a feeling from the group that whilst this strategy was rooted in evidence and data, it didn't feel aspirational (and befitting of the UK's Environment capital). To some, the strategy could and should go further to present an exciting vision for future transportation in the city; stopping the car having priority and investing in hard infrastructure which makes sustainable transport not just a smarter choice but the easier choice.</p> <p>There was some question over the scrutiny process for this strategy and the group felt that it would need some further discussion and development to enable the Transport partnership to support it.</p>
Action: Ross Burton to provide details of the scrutiny and sign off process to Nick Goodman.	
8	AOB
9	Future meetings dates
	<p>10th June, 9th September, 9th December all 2.00 till 4.30 - ASBAH</p> <p>The Chair closed the meeting at 16.30</p>

Summary of agreed actions		
REPOSIBLE	ACTION	DEADLINE
Cathy Summers	Consider cycle carrying buses (using California case study) and consider how we pursue similar	Next meeting
Barry Kirk and Jack Eagle	Compile a very simple feasibility study on light rail transit for Peterborough	Next meeting

TravelChoice	Increase member engagement, perhaps ward councillors could be invited to award the school travel prizes – in light of some hesitancy from elected members to promote walking and cycling at the recent big scrutiny debate.	asap
Barry Kirk and David Boddy	Undertake a rudimentary exercise to work out how much modal shift to bus patronage was needed to meet our NI177 – Bus journey indicator.	Next meeting
Ross Burton	Provide details of the scrutiny and sign off process for Long Term Transport Strategy to Nick Goodman.	asap