

AT A MEETING of the TRANSPORT FOR SOUTH HAMPSHIRE JOINT COMMITTEE of HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL, SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL AND PORTSMOUTH CITY COUNCIL HELD ON THE 21 JULY AT 14:00 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL, CASTLE AVENUE, THE CASTLE, WINCHESTER

PRESENT:

Hampshire County Council

Councillor Mel Kendal - Executive Member for Environment
James Strachan – Assistant Director, Environment
Sarah Pook – Deputy County Treasurer
Stuart Baker – Transport for South Hampshire, Project Coordinator
Rachael Handley – Transport for South Hampshire, Transport Planner

Portsmouth City Council

Simon Moon – Head of Transport and Street Management

Southampton City Council

Councillor Daniel Fitzhenry – Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport
Paul Walker – Transport Policy Team Leader

Stakeholders

Andrew Dyer – Stagecoach/SHBOA
Graham Ellis – Hampshire Economic Partnership
Anne Marie Mountifield – PUSH
Chris Pownall – MVA Consultancy
Josie Rogers – Network Rail
Steve Williamson – TfSH Adviser

Observers

Eastleigh Borough Council

Councillor David Airey

Fareham Borough Council

Rosemary Fletcher

Gosport Borough Council

Cllr Chris Carter (also HCC Member)

New Forest District Council

David Stannard

Charles Burns – Portsmouth Community/ Rail Futures/ Federation of Small Business

81. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Cllr Daniel Fitzhenry proposed Cllr Mel Kendal be elected as Chairman. This was seconded by Cllr Fazackarley and so Cllr Kendal was confirmed as Chairman of TfSH for the municipal year 2011/12

82. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Cllr Mel Kendal proposed Cllr Fazackarley as the Vice Chairman of the Committee, this was seconded by Cllr Fitzhenry and so Cllr Fazackarley was confirmed as the Vice Chairman for the municipal year 2011-12.

83. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from;

- Councillor Jason Fazackarley, Cabinet Member for Traffic and Transportation,
- Keith Willcox, TfSH Project Director;
- Neil Andrew, Highways Agency;
- Phil Dominey, South West Trains;
- Paul Nichols, Southampton City Council;
- Lucy Norton, Network Rail;
- Maureen Pullen, Department for Transport;
- Adam Tewksbury, University of Southampton
- Steve Thurston, Southampton Airport;
- Viv Messenger, Test Valley Borough Council
- Cllr Weston from Winchester City Council.

84. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were mindful that, where they believed they had a personal or personal prejudicial interest in any matter to be considered at the meeting, they should normally at the time of the debate declare their interest, and having regard to the circumstances described in paragraphs 9, 10, 11 and 12 of the County Council's Code of Conduct, consider whether to leave the meeting whilst the matter was discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with paragraph 12 of the Code.

There were no declarations made by Members under this item.

85. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman reported some good news regarding the Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF) and confirmed that Southampton City Council had been awarded £3.96m and Hampshire County Council awarded £4.076m for North Hampshire towns. The Chairman also confirmed that a TfSH Large Joint Package Bid to the LSTF had been submitted on the 6 June, which focussed on 15 corridors along which TfSH would deliver public transport quality improvements. The Chairman thanked the stakeholders who helped during this process.

The Chairman then went on to share the excellent publicity that TfSH had received in the current edition of Local Transport Today, which specifically covered the development of the Sub-Regional Transport Model and raised the profile of TfSH.

The Joint committee were informed that TfSH officers were preparing responses to DfT consultations that impact on two of the area's international gateways. One related to a sustainable travel framework for UK aviation, and the other related to DfT's proposal to remove its objection to a grant condition that precluded City of Liverpool Cruise Terminal from providing turnaround facilities and therefore enable it to compete with other ports, such as Southampton. The Chairman confirmed that whilst public money was used at the Port of Liverpool, none was spent on the Port of Southampton.

The Joint Committee were informed that following a restructure and changes in work programmes, the number of TfSH meeting would reduce to three a year, with the next meeting taking place in January 2012. This had been agreed by the Members of Joint Committee.

Finally, the Chairman gave an update on the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) work, confirming plans to develop other aspects of the scheme. This includes three interlinked elements at A27 Delme roundabout in Fareham to the Queen Alexandra hospital, identification of preferred schemes for the wider BRT network and funding, economic and delivery strategies.

86. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20 APRIL 2011

The Minutes of the meeting held on 20 April were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

87. 2010/11 DRAFT STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS; 2011/12 BUDGET

The Committee considered the report from the Treasurer and TfSH Project Director (Item 7 in the Minute Book), which detailed the Statement of Accounts 2010/11.

The Deputy Treasurer presented the item to the Joint Committee, highlighting the carry forward of £560,000 from 2010/11. This and partnership contributions of £200,000 took the total revenue budget for 2011/12 to £760,000.

It was confirmed that the Statement of Accounts had already been approved by Southampton City Council, Portsmouth City Council and Hampshire County Council at a previous meeting.

RESOLVED:

- a) Noted that the Annual Governance Statement on pages 4 to 13 of the Statement of Accounts, which is attached as an Appendix, were approved at Chairman's Briefing on 23 June 2011.
- b) Noted that the draft 2010/11 Statement of Accounts, attached as an Appendix, were approved at the TfSH Chairman's Briefing meeting of 23 June 2011 to meet 30 June deadline.

- c) That the carry forward of underspends of £560,648 on the revenue budget to 2011/12 be endorsed.
- d) That the finalised 2011/12 revenue and capital budgets be approved.

88. TFSH BUSINESS PLAN 2011-13

The Committee considered the report of the Senior Transport Planner for Hampshire County Council (Item 8 in the Minute Book) which proposed a 2011-13 Business Plan, which reflected the changing policy and funding context.

The Senior Transport Planner highlighted paragraph 1.3 in the report, which summarises the changes. It was confirmed that a mid-term review would take place after the first year to ensure that TfSH was responsive to a changing environment. The Business Plan also covers successes of TfSH, including the BRT and recent press coverage. On page seven of the Business Plan, Core Activities are broken down into work components, which link in the with objectives and goals of TfSH.

The Committee discussed what the Isle Of Wight's role was with TfSH and it was confirmed that whilst they were not members of the Joint Committee, they were involved in the Strategy Group.

It was confirmed that a Business Summit was planned for later in 2011 with Transport Alliance, chaired by Nick Farthing and that TfSH would meet to discuss business groupings and ensure that there was no overlap in events planned by various transport bodies. It was also confirmed that the Federation of Small Business (FSB) had been involved in discussions with Transport Alliance.

RESOLVED:

- a) That the TfSH Business Plan 2011-13 be approved
- b) That the proposed TfSH Business Plan 2011-13 be reviewed mid-term
- c) That the officers from Southampton City Council, Portsmouth City Council and Hampshire County Council take the Business Plan through their own internal adoption process.

89. SMART TICKETING

The Joint Committee considered a report from the Transport Policy and Sustainable Travel Team Leader for Southampton City Council (Item 9 in the Minute Book) about progress on the business case and framework for Smartcards and smart ticketing.

The Committee were informed that although costs involved with roll-out and implementation had not yet been finalised, whilst the planned form of funding was LSTF, bus operators and TfSH are looking at potential other funding sources.

It was agreed that feedback on the new smart card system in Oxford would be report back at the next meeting by Go Ahead and Stagecoach and it was a system that the Committee felt would be well received by the public in south Hampshire. It was confirmed that franchises in the south would have responsibility

in sharing the ability to run the smart ticketing program and this would be something discussed further with them. Work was also being undertaken with Southampton University on the development of Apps for Smart Phones and other technical devices.

The Chairman of the Committee requested that a timetable be put together showing the anticipated progress of Smart Ticketing and also that work be done between now and the next meeting to move things forward with identified funding streams.

RESOLVED:

- a) That the Smart Ticketing and Media work be progressed with the South Hampshire Bus Operators Association, including further investigation of a multi-modal product and making the Solent Travelcard available through smart media as part of the Local Sustainable Transport Fund bid or any other funding streams that becomes available.

90. SRTM INITIAL OUTPUT PRESENTATION

The Joint Committee received a presentation from Chris Pownall of MVA Consultancy Ltd which showed output from the recently delivered Sub Regional Transport Model (SRTM) on the uses of transport across southern Hampshire. The presentation included statistics that showed the use of transport in relation to matters such as population, employment and the economy in general and it showed estimates on the use of different transport modes now and in the future based on current figures. It was confirmed that the development of a Long Term Strategic Implementation Plan (LTSIP) would be guided by this model.

The presentation can be found on the meetings information system via the link below:

http://www3.hants.gov.uk/councilmeetings/advsearchmeetings/meetingsitemdocuments.htm?sta=&pref=Y&item_ID=3162&tab=2

91. ORAL UPDATE FROM THE SOLENT LEP

The Committee received a verbal update from the Chief Executive of PUSH on the Solent LEP, which would hold its formal launch on the 26 July.

It was confirmed that the LEP was made up of Civic Leaders from Hampshire, Portsmouth, Southampton and the Isle of Wight and also the Chairman of PUSH and other business representatives. The Solent LEP will be Chaired by Doug Morrison who is the Port Director at Southampton.

Round two of the Regional Growth Fund had six submissions from the Solent LEP area, which included improvements to accommodation on and an Ocean Energy Centre on the Isle Of Wight, access and runway improvements to the Daedalus Site in Gosport, Platform to Prosperity, and a initiative with the News newspaper to encourage new business enterprise.

The Solent LEP were also keen to work with Government Ministers to encourage more investment in the South and had plans to speak to Greg Clarke, Minister for Cities, who was looking after the City Led Growth Agenda.

The Committee agreed that a business representative from the Solent LEP should be invited to join the TfSH Joint Committee in a non-voting role.

The Chairman thanked bus operators at the Passenger Transport Group and also Eastleigh and Basingstoke Borough Councils for their contributions and assistance with the Bus Subsidy item going to the Exec Member for Environment and Transport Decision Day on the 27 July.