# MINUTES OF QUALITY TRANSPORT PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

# Held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2002 at Riverside Centre, Newport

**Present:** Peter Tuck – Chair

Ashley Curzon – Isle of Wight Council Ernie Fox CC – Isle of Wight Council

Martin Gibson – Lift IW (Rural Transport Partnership)

Rachel Jolliffe - IW Council Angela Mawle - IW Council Clive Page – IW Older Voices

Jack Richards - Wight Track/Rail Passenger Committee

Malcolm Ross - CycleWight Jim Ruby - Rural Issues Group Don Vincent - IW Bus Users Group Hugh Walding - IW Friends of the Earth

Chris Wells - IW Council Alan White – Southern Vectis Ryan Willergers - Wightlink

## 1. APOLOGIES

Richard Box - Hovertravel

Terry Butchers CC - IW Council

Trish Collins - British Horse Society

Ernie Fox CC - IW Council

Jonathan Green - Red Funnel Ferries

Tim Hunter-Henderson – Federation of Small Businesses

Steve Matthews - IW Council

Steve Porter – Steve Porter Transport/Chamber of Commerce

Steve Wade - Island Line

Sarah Watkins - Freight Transport Association

Brenda Wilkins - Institute of Advanced Motorists

Chris Wright - Road Haulage Association

Dave Woracker - Transport 2000

# 2. ADOPTION OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE OPERATON OF THE QTP

A copy of the draft document had been sent to all QTP members. It was agreed that:

a) Paragraph 6.2 – Clarification was sought over the process of voting for a new chairman. It was agreed that, in future, advance Chairman nominations would be invited with absent members given the opportunity to vote by proxy. Members using this facility would be required to notify the QTP Secretary in writing of their intention to proxy vote, and to indicate for whom they wished to vote or to nominate a QTP member to vote on their behalf.

- b) Paragraph 6.10 Clarification was sought over the term "the assembly". Peter Tuck confirmed that this was the AGM. It was agreed that the term assembly should remain.
- c) Paragraph 6.13 "formerly" should be "formally".
- d) Appendix A Rail Passenger Council should be Rail Passengers
  Committee; Southern Vectis Plc should be Southern Vectis; Local Agenda
  21 has been omitted.

**Action:** Rachel Jolliffe to ensure that all organisations have signed the "Aims and Objectives" document.

- e) Appendix B Objective 6 and 7 have merged. Objectives should read:
  - 6. To encourage the improvement of cross Solent ferry links.
  - 7. To encourage the retention and improvement of the Island's railway and to utilise old lines for sustainable transportation use.
  - 8. To promote the development of sustainable and efficient freight distribution on the Island, to support the Island economy and protect and enhance the island environment.
- f) Membership The group discussed arrangements regarding retirement of a chairman. It was agreed that, should a retired chairman not remain a member of the QTP by virtue of representing a member organisation, the individual be invited to remain a QTP member to ensure continuity. (Proposed: Jim Ruby; all group in agreement)
- g) Deputy Chairman It was agreed that a deputy chairman should be elected from the Executive Committee.

#### 3. ELECTION OF A NEW CHAIRMAN

Following the retirement of Peter Tuck, the QTP requires a new chairperson. Jim Ruby was elected as the new chairman

(Proposed : Ernie Fox CC; Seconded : Jack Richards; all group in agreement)

#### 4. ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The existing Executive Committee were re-elected ie:

- a) A partner to represent the transport providers Southern Vectis
- b) A partner to represent the business community Chamber of Commerce
- c) A partner to represent the specialist transport organisations Friends of the Earth

d) A partner to represent the user groups – Wightrack/RPC The Executive will also include a representative of the Council (either the Chair of the Transport Select Committee or the Portfolio holder for Transport, or both) and the Head of Engineering Services (or nominated member of the Engineering Services department).

Hugh Walding, Friends of the Earth representative, was elected as QTP Deputy Chairman.

(Proposed : Ernie Fox CC; all group in agreement)

## 5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Chris Wells thanked Peter Tuck on behalf of the group for his help and leadership as Chairman. The Group presented Peter with a card and gift.

The meeting closed at 5.30pm