

## **MINUTES OF QUALITY TRANSPORT PARTNERSHIP AGM**

Held on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2003  
At Quay Arts Centre, Newport

**Present:** Jim Ruby – Chair  
Ernie Fox CC – Isle of Wight Council  
Rachel Jolliffe – QTP Secretary/Isle of Wight Council  
Laurence Keynes – Rural Transport Partnership  
Steve Porter – Steve Porter Transport  
Jack Richards – RPC  
Jan Rounsevell – IW Taxi Proprietors Association  
Peter Tuck – Previous Chair  
Don Vincent – IW Bus Users Group  
Steve Wade – Island Line  
Hugh Walding – Isle of Wight Friends of the Earth  
Ron Wallis – IW Motorcycle Rider Training  
Chris Wells – Isle of Wight Council  
Charlotte Westwood – Isle of Wight Council  
Paul Wheeler – Southern Vectis  
Alan White – Southern Vectis  
Dave Woracker – Transport 2000

### **1. APOLOGIES**

Trish Collins – British Horse Society  
Ashley Curzon – Isle of Wight Council  
Jim Fawcett – Isle of Wight Council  
Tim Hunter Henderson – Federation of Small Businesses  
Margaret Howden – IW Older Voices  
Steve Matthews – Isle of Wight Council  
Steve Porter – Steve Porter Transport  
Kevin Smith – IW Chamber of Commerce

### **2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM – 6<sup>th</sup> November 2002**

The minutes of the last AGM (6<sup>th</sup> November 2002) were agreed.

### **3. CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS**

Jim Ruby, the outgoing chairman, addressed the group. JR summarised the achievements of the QTP over the last year and the emphasised the importance of the year ahead, in particular the role the QTP will play on the Local Strategic Partnership.

Chris Wells thanked Jim on behalf of the group for the work he had done for both the QTP and the Island as a whole.

### **4. ELECTION OF CHAIR**

Following the retirement of Jim Ruby, the group requires a new chair. Steve Porter was elected as the new chairman (proposed Hugh Walding, seconded Councillor Fox).

### **5. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIR & DEPUTY CHAMPION**

Hugh Walding was re-elected as deputy chair and Jack Richards elected as deputy champion.

## 6. 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).

The meeting ended at 6.00pm

**Action:** Rachel Jolliffe to arrange AGM & Open Meeting and notify members of date & venue.

## **7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The Strategic Rail Authority have appointed Chris Austin as the new Rural Railways Officer. It is hoped that Chris will visit the Island in the near future.

Steve Wade reported on the latest position with Island Line. The SRA are currently preparing the new franchise document for signature by Stagecoach by the end of November. The new franchise will run until 2007.

Rachel Jolliffe informed the group that the IW Rural Community Council are launching their "WightRide" car-sharing database on 22<sup>nd</sup> September at Havenstreet Railway Station. Any QTP members interested in attending should contact RJ for details. Information is also available on the internet – [www.wightride.com](http://www.wightride.com).

Chris Wells reminded QTP members that this years' APR included a consultation questionnaire. Completed questionnaires should be returned to Charlotte Westwood at Jubilee Stores, The Quay, Newport IW by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2003.

## **8. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting – date, time and venue tbc.