

MINUTES OF QUALITY TRANSPORT PARTNERSHIP MEETING

Held on 17th March 2005
At Quay Arts Centre, Newport

PRESENT:

- Steve Porter – Chair
- Jenny Boor - Hovertravel
- Dawn Cooper – Isle of Wight Council
- Cllr Harris – Isle of Wight Council
- Kevin Hatt – Red Funnel
- Margaret Howden – IW Older Voices
- Tim Hunter-Henderson – Federation of Small Businesses
- Laurence Keynes – Rural Transport Partnership
- Stuart Linn – Southern Vectis
- Susan Marshall - Isle of Wight Council
- Rachel Mills – Isle of Wight Council
- Janice Rounsevell – IW Taxi Proprietors Association
- Ian Schaff – Isle of Wight Council
- Malcolm Smith - Isle of Wight Council
- Don Vincent – IW Bus Users Group
- John Vosper - Isle of Wight Council
- Steve Wade – Island Line
- Hugh Walding – IW Friends of the Earth
- Ron Wallis – IW Motorcycle Training Scheme
- Charlotte Westwood - Isle of Wight Council
- Alan White – Southern Vectis
- Brenda Wilkins – IW Group of Advanced Motorists
- Dave Woracker – Transport 2000

1. APOLOGIES

Trish Collins – British Horse Society
Cllr Cunningham - Isle of Wight Council
Ashley Curzon – Isle of Wight Council
Valerie Lawson – Cycle Wight
Steve Matthews - Isle of Wight Council
Chris Wells - Isle of Wight Council

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (13th JANUARY 2005) – MATTERS ARISING

The minutes from the previous meeting were agreed. Steve Porter (SP) has written to Cllr Harris regarding taxis using bus lanes, town information maps and signs in leisure centre car parks about new charges.

The group agreed that the town information maps should show the geography of the town and a taxi tariff card.

3. TRANSPORT VISION – A CONNECTED ISLAND

John Vosper (JV) circulated a paper explaining a vision for the future of transport on the Island. (Notes were provided at the meeting, additional copies can be obtained from the QTP Secretary). JV explained that the transport vision was meant to be a building block towards a better integrated transport system on the Island. He reported that the transport vision had undergone consultation and would be presented to Full Executive and Transport Select Committee in April.

The group discussed the vision and mentioned the following issues:

- The use of the word sustainability in the document
- The concept of encouraging air transport
- The importance given to walking.

JV explained that the paper had been written using the 'plain English guide' as a result sustainability had been implied but not stated however this could be altered. Furthermore JV explained that he foresaw that air transport would equal a feeder service to Southampton and other south coast airports. He also acknowledged that walking may require a stronger emphasis.

It was suggested that additional comments regarding the vision should be sent to either Steve Porter or Charlotte Westwood, and would then be forwarded to JV.

4. LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN 2

Rachel Mills facilitated a workshop on the Second Local Transport Plan, notes attached.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Dave Woracker (DW) proposed a resolution for better provisions for coach passengers:

We are concerned about the complete lack of suitable, safe and convenient picking up / setting down points for coach passengers particularly in Newport, Ryde and Sandown.

We therefore ask the Isle of Wight Council to implement the following measures which are to be integrated with other sustainable modes of transport

- 1. The provision of clearly marked and signposted coach picking up / setting down points convenient to where coach passengers wish to visit.*
- 2. To take in to consideration the needs of coach passengers in all planning decisions that have any transport impact.*
- 3. To in conjunction with the QTP and other appropriate organisations develop an Island strategy to make coach travel a part of an integrated transport system.*

The resolution was proposed by DW, seconded by Don Vincent, and carried. The resolution to be forwarded to the relevant Council Sections.

6. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 26th May 2005, at 14:00, in the Seminar Room, Quay Arts Centre.