

MINUTES OF QUALITY TRANSPORT PARTNERSHIP MEETING

Held on Thursday 29th September 2005
At Quay Arts Centre, Newport

PRESENT: Steve Porter – Chairman
Sue Chilton – Isle of Wight Council
Ashley Curzon – Isle of Wight Council
Laurence Keynes – Isle of Wight Council
Rachel Mills – Isle of Wight Council
Marc Morgan Huws – Southern Vectis
Andy Morris – Isle of Wight Council
Clive Page – Isle of Wight Older Voices
Graham Pearce – Federation of Small Businesses
Jack Richards – Community Rail Partnership / Wight Track
Malcolm Ross – Cycle Wight
Janice Rounsevell – Isle of Wight Taxi Proprietors Association
Steve Sansom – PD Port Services
Ian Schaff – Isle of Wight Council
Nigel Smith – Isle of Wight Tourism
Don Vincent – Isle of Wight Bus Users Group
Steve Wade – Island Line
Hugh Walding – Isle of Wight Friends of the Earth
Chris Wells – Isle of Wight Council
Alan White – Southern Vectis
Charlotte Westwood - Isle of Wight Council
Brenda Wilkins – Isle of Wight Group of Advanced Motorists
Dave Woracker – Transport 2000

1. **APOLOGIES**

Liam Boyle – Road Haulage Association Ltd
Cllr Brown – Isle of Wight Council
Trish Collins – British Horse Society
Jonathan Green – Red Funnel
Val Lawson – Cycle Wight
Kevin Hatt – Red Funnel
Sue Marshall – Isle of Wight Council
Stephen Matthews – Isle of Wight Council
Ron Wallis – Motorcycle Club Training Scheme

2. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (18th AUGUST 2005)**

Item 1, it was agreed that the issue of town information maps would be discussed by the group as a separate agenda issue in the future.

Item 3, Chris Wells (CW) informed the group that he had spoken to Stephen Matthews concerning the establishment of a freight forum and was in the process of considering membership.

Item 6, Steve Porter (SP) informed the group that a model of the proposed Ryde Interchange would be displayed during the coffee break. He welcomed comments on the scheme but asked that these be limited to transport issues and not the design.

The minutes from the 18th August 2005 were agreed.

3. **CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE**

SP informed the group that the possibility of publishing the QTP minutes on the internet was being investigated. It was announced that the QTP AGM would be held in January 2006 and would be discussed at the next meeting.

Action: QTP AGM to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

4. **LSP THEME CHAMPION**

SP informed the group that the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) had undergone a restructuring and the seven themes had been reduced to four to reflect the Local Area Agreement status. The four new themes are; Safer Island, Healthy Island, Skilled and Educated Island and Thriving Island. As a result of the adoption of the new structure transport was included in the Thriving Island group and there were three potential theme champions for this group. Therefore the QTP would need to confirm their chosen nominee to be considered at a vote by the Executive. Also three or four representatives from this group would be required.

Concerns were voiced that transport had been merged with other themes and might be lost as a result. Hugh Walding (HW) proposed that Steve Porter was nominated as the theme champion for Thriving Island. This was seconded by Brenda Wilkins (BW), and the motion was carried.

The other agreed representatives were Clive Page, Stuart Linn (subject to his agreement), Dave Woracker and Jack Richards.

Post meeting note: Rachel Mills contact Stuart Linn. He is not a current QTP member and as such would be unable to undertake the role. However following discussions Hugh Walding (HW) agreed to put himself forward for this group.

5. **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK (LDF)**

Ashley Curzon (AC) gave a presentation on the Local Development Framework (LDF) (copies can be obtained from the QTP Secretary).

AC informed the group that the Island Plan was out for consultation until the 11th November 2005 and that comments were welcome from either organisations or individuals. It was hoped that following the consultation a preferred option would be identified.

The group decided that a one topic meeting would be held.

Action: Meeting to be scheduled.

Post meeting note: A meeting was held on 1st November 2005 and the notes have been submitted to Planning and circulated to QTP members.

6. **LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN (LTP2)**

CW informed the group that the Local Transport Plan (LTP) was presently out for consultation and that the comments received would be presented to Full Council and would help shape the final plan which was to be submitted in March 2006. CW explained that workshops would be hosted to discuss and develop the accessibility plans required for the final LTP. It was hoped that QTP members could play a role in this.

7. **CYCLING AND THE NATIONAL TRANSPORT AWARD**

SP informed that group that Sue Marshall was unable to attend, therefore this item will be reschedule to a future meeting.

Action: Sue Marshal to be invited to a future meeting.

8. **COMMUNITY RAIL PARTNERSHIP MOTION**

Dave Woracker (DW) presented the following motion:

"The QTP calls on the Isle of Wight Council to include Island Line, as rail operators within the boundaries of the local authority, to be included in both the over 60s free local travel scheme and the proposed flat fare scheme"

The group discussed the motion and the attached document. It was felt that further consideration should be given to the operation of such a scheme and the wording revised accordingly and a further draft brought before the QTP at a future meeting.

Action: The wording of the motion to be reconsidered and presented at a future meeting.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Ian Schaff (IS) informed the group that a planning application for Ryde Interchange had been submitted. CW informed the group that comments regarding the scheme should be submitted to Planning. SP concluded that he would be writing on behalf of the group in support of the scheme.

Action: SP to write to Planning support the transport aspects of Ryde Interchange.

10. DATE & TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

Thursday 8th December 2005 at 14:00 in the Theatre, Quay Arts Centre.