

## Notes – 20<sup>th</sup> August 2019 12:00-14:00

Board Members Present:	Cllr Kye Dudd  Melanie Watson Malcolm Green David Redgewell Sue Arrowsmith Matthew Golton  James Freeman  Peter Evans Rod Dennis	Transport Portfolio Holder, Bristol City Council (Co-Chair) Transport Focus (Co-Chair) Unite Equalities Women's Commission GWR (representing Mark Hopwood) First (representing Bus Operators_ Business West RAC – Communications	Colin Molton Jon Usher Patrick Maish Martin Curtis  Ann O'Driscoll Paul Hassan Daniel Round	Bristol City Council Sustrans – Cycling, Walking Taxi Operators Bath Bus Company – Bus Operators (part meeting) Business West Communities Network Rail
Associates Present:	Jason Humm	WECA	Richard Gillingham	S. Glos Council
Support Officers:	Alex Perry Adam Crowther	BCC BCC	Andrea Dell Abi Smith	City Office, BCC BCC
Apologies:	Rupert Cox Sean Walsh Roisin Tobin	Stagecoach Highways England Bristol Community Ferry Boats	Graham Parkhurst	University West of England

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1. Matters Arising	i. Feedback on Meeting Formats		

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	Feedback received and acted on to have less presentations, more time for discussion and two themes for each meeting. Papers would be sent in advance for pre-reading allowing time in meetings for discussion and debates.  Opportunities for the Board to feed back to the Mayor and/or other Boards	AP	Ongoing
	ii. Joint Spatial Plan Letter sent to WECA from Inspectors expressed their concerns and suggesting withdrawing JSP in current form. Further detailed letter expected mid-August. BCC working closely with WECA and wished to understand and address concerns. There were significant transport implications from the JSP particularly measures to accommodate traffic generated from housing developments.	Noted	
	iii. National Rail Survey Results To note		
	<ul> <li>iv. Bristol Transport Strategy         To note it was formally adopted on 2 July 2019. Detailed plans with targets and deliverables now required.     </li> </ul>	Noted	
	v. Taxi Access to Temple Meads Following intervention from the Mayor the planned changes to taxi permits proposed by Network Rail have been paused pending discussion internally by Network Rail.	Noted	
2. Clean Air Zone Proposals	Cllr Kye Dudd introduced the subject and plan and introduced Abigail Smith (BCC) who was one of the Lead Officers.		
-	In the discussion it was noted:		
	<ul> <li>There were many interconnected challenges for the city and it was not a single issue.</li> <li>There was a concern that lower income groups could be disproportionately</li> </ul>		

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	<ul> <li>affected.</li> <li>Compliance had to be achieved asap but there were consequences, including financial ones. 2/3 of streets would be compliant by 2026, some would be compliant by 2021.</li> <li>Coach operators were concerned at a potential £100 per day charge, both those based in the city and for tourist coaches coming in who make take trade elsewhere.</li> <li>Request for more detailed evidence papers to be distributed – but officers stated only publicly available information could be widely distributed.</li> <li>Discussion over mitigations, cost and funding of mitigation, scrappage scheme possibilities, timing of funding and certainty for funding from central government – not yet clear.</li> <li>Mayor outlined response of a major employer in city who could not support either proposal based on financial effect as suppliers and service users, who would both be adversely impacted with financial disbenefits hitting their own organisation, despite the desire by all for cleaner air.</li> <li>The need for Clean Air to be integrated into the Transport Strategy.</li> <li>Concerns over unintended consequences from looking at Clean Air as a single issue without broadening the conversation to the impact on the whole city and communities within it.</li> <li>Next stage – result of consultation and then a BCC plan which will go to Cabinet.</li> <li>Request for subgroup to look in detail at available evidence, give further consideration and comment on BCC proposal going to Cabinet.</li> </ul>	AP (Agenda item Nov Mtg)	26/11/19
3. One City Plan	Andrea Dell from the City Office explained the background and formation of the One City Plan and the need to refresh the targets before January 2020. The Plan will continue to evolve and be a living document owned by the City and its partners rather than the City Council.  From the discussion		

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	<ul> <li>Focus on targets and interdependencies for the next 10 years</li> <li>1. Are there any specific messages to Mayor/Mayor's Office and Bristol City Council from the Board?</li> <li>2. Are there any messages to the other five thematic boards – offers and asks</li> <li>3. Are there any specific messages to the key City Partners in terms of offers and asks?</li> <li>• Concerns over where connectivity and the digital agenda as it isn't core to the Transport Board or an area of expertise, yet the targets are with the Transport/Connectivity.</li> <li>• Desire to improve communication about Transport inventions and outcomes/benefits rather than just projects or modes.</li> <li>• Need to set desires and aspirations rather than await/chase funding once announcements made being proactive for the city.</li> <li>• Concern over the need to read community engagement across communities rather than numerous superficial consultations on individual projects which are not engaging. Suggestion of choosing 3 areas to focus on what it means to their community.</li> <li>• Need to set targets with deliverables and dates to be measured against.</li> <li>• Set up a subgroup to flesh out the details and targets, a deep dive with support from the City Office – to be validate at next Board.</li> </ul>	AP	26/11/19
4. Proposed Bristol Bus Deal	<ul> <li>Phil Wright from Bristol City Council and James Freeman, MD of First West of England updated the Board on the proposed 'Bristol Bus Deal' which was planned to go to Cabinet for approval on 2 October 2019</li> <li>Proposed deal would bring together Highways priorities for buses in return for dramatically improved frequencies</li> <li>An opportunity for a partnership to build on current success of increasing passenger numbers against the wider UK downturn trend</li> </ul>		

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	<ul> <li>Discussions between Bus Operators, Bristol City Council and WECA</li> <li>A corridor-based approach which would include improvements for the public realm, walking and cycling</li> <li>Targets on improving bus modal share from 11% to 20%</li> <li>JF outlined the serious congestion faced and the need for very significant increase in priorities needed to deliver reliable and predictable journey times</li> <li>This level of priority would be difficult and politically challenging to deliver however JF would be looking to double frequencies from every 10 mins to 5 mins to dramatically improve the service offer.</li> <li>Service 2 likely to be first upgrade in March/April 2020</li> </ul>		
	There was support for the Bus Deal from the Board.	Chair to update	26/11/19
5. Role of Cycling and Future Strategy	Cllr Kye Dudd introduced the topic of cycling and a short discussion was held.  Key points:		
	<ul> <li>Walking and cycling were strongly featured in the current One City Plan – opportunity to update</li> <li>Current cycling ambition funding had finished</li> <li>Desire to integrate active travel into all corridor schemes</li> <li>The need to develop a cycling and walking strategy and seek funding to deliver it</li> <li>LCWIP funding applied for</li> </ul>	Agenda Item	26/11/19
6. A.O.B	<ul> <li>i. Noted that Bristol City Council may wish for Scrutiny Panel member to observe future Transport Boards</li> <li>ii. Future Agenda items:         <ul> <li>Members to submit items to Alex Perry</li> <li>Papers to be circulated one week prior to meeting</li> <li>iii. Date of next meeting – Tuesday 26 November at 1200-1400</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Noted All AP	19/11/19 19/11/19