

# Bristol Transport Board



Minutes 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021

	<b>Date/time</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> February 2021 11:00-13:00	<b>Venue</b>	Zoom call
	<b>Co-chairs</b>	Cllr Kye Dudd (Cabinet member) and Melanie Watson (Transport Focus)		
<b>Time</b>				
11:00-11:05	1)	Welcome and introductions – <b>(Melanie Watson)</b>		
11:05-11:15	2)	<p>Working Arrangements &amp; Membership of the Board - <b>(all)</b></p> <p>a. Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review as a collective and see how we can improve and maximise effectiveness of this board</li> <li>Reclarifying board and relationship with City Office, WECA and Bristol City Council</li> <li>Needs to be clear is that this is a Bristol One City piece of work not WECA</li> <li>Clarity - We are linking up with communities and how they are affected</li> <li>Workshop to make a forward work programme for 2021/2022 after launch of One City Plan (OCP)</li> <li>Standing agenda items that we are always coming back to 3 OCP goals</li> <li>Aim to have a wider stakeholder event to relay how this board works</li> <li><b>Action: Membership review, development board/strength building</b></li> <li><b>Action: Agenda setting meeting 3 weeks before next meetings</b></li> <li><b>Action: All outstanding transport board minutes need to be uploaded on website</b></li> <li>Creative promotion, raise profile of Board</li> <li>Confirmation that we are the Transport Board and not the Connectivity Board as sometimes referred to</li> </ul>		
11:15-11:25	3)	<p>Minutes &amp; Matters Arising - <b>(all)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Temple Quarter Recommendations – submitted to mayor, council agreed to update us. <b>Action: sub group to arrange a second meeting</b></li> <li><b>Action: One City Plan – Transport Targets circulated and the refresh will be circulated in 2 weeks approx.</b></li> <li><b>Action: Liveable Neighbourhoods Workstream – arranging representation from other boards and will then arrange meeting</b></li> <li>WECA Spatial Development Consultation Response - Submitted</li> </ul>		

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11:25-12:15	4)	<p>Clean Air Zone Proposals - <b>(Adam Crowther)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Cllr Dudd to give a short context</li> <li>b. Adam to provide a summary of Scheme</li> </ol> <p><b>Action: Presentation to be circulated</b></p> <p>The executive summary can be found here -  <a href="https://democracy.bristol.gov.uk/documents/s57354/FBC-02%20BCC%20CAZ%20FBC%20Executive%20summary%20-%2016%20Feb%202021.pdf">https://democracy.bristol.gov.uk/documents/s57354/FBC-02%20BCC%20CAZ%20FBC%20Executive%20summary%20-%2016%20Feb%202021.pdf</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Kye gives bit of context; limited choice, everything has been driven by compliance to meet all legal obligations, has been over scrutiny and to councillors. Adam – presentation; wanted to address this longer term.</li> <li>● Challenging at the moment with Covid-19 but we need to get people back on buses.</li> <li>● Air quality results show street space; some improved, cleaner quicker, other areas not getting cleaner or traffic reductions.</li> <li>● Small CAZ D is preferred option; submission to JAQU. Financial support, infrastructure. BANES model really helped, using similar model but differing points.</li> <li>● Sustainable travel choices, freight. Exemptions – nationally, no choice to change. Concessions we are putting forward (potential, awaiting approval) – people who have non-compliant vehicles in zone but need to travel will be offered a one-year concession. Ongoing discussions.</li> <li>● Councillors have raised that we aren't showing diversionary impacts.</li> <li>● Annual average daily traffic (AADT). May see an increase in traffic flow, but cleaner. Financial and economic impacts in draft.</li> <li>● All data can be found in cabinet papers.</li> <li>● Targeting packages of support for the deprived. Deprivation will be in focus in liveable neighbourhoods.</li> <li>● Haven't ruled out congestion charge, just targeting certain vehicles.</li> <li>● Government will look to tax distance people travel than tax fuel in the future – potentially. Buses used for rail replacement are also used elsewhere.</li> <li>● Fears raised that working class fares will go up, AC said we have offered all companies refit/funding.</li> <li>● There has been 3 rounds of bus refit funding.</li> <li>● <b>Action: Better signage for everyone – AC will feed back into the team.</b></li> <li>● <b>Action: AC to update SW on the M5, Portway diversion update.</b></li> <li>● Question – asked what will be presented to cabinet and what will be 'fixed' or is there still scope for discussion. AC submit to JACQU then</li> </ul>

cabinet will look, and the proposal may not be confirmed. If small changes are submitted it may be put into proposal.

- Question - where can we influence and what can we do to influence as a board. What is the board's role going forward? MW are we supportive re CAZ? Useful to get boards view.
- Are there any key areas we which to highlight to cabinet next week, may not be actioned but can be noted that we tried. Support in principle, issues around implementation.
- Disappointed that the city is not using CaZ D for lower carbon emissions at same time.
- Can we set out to public, small time scale so CaZ D has to happen, but we will be focused on next steps for 2022.
- Recommendation raised to ensure all transport companies work in harmony and not one company favoured.
- *Statement to cabinet; we support CaZ D but additionally to this this is what we think is required and mitigation? CaZ is not part of a project, it is part of something wider, to work towards our 2030 goal, wider discussion.*  
**Action: process of pulling together statement for cabinet: will draft a simple statement reflecting our discussions end of Friday, circulate and ask for comments end of Monday, MW to review, submit publicly and ready for cabinet.**
- Mayor's messages continue to be amplified as they still apply.
- CaZ does not have significant carbon reduction tool, it's public health not climate change. Frustration that this isn't being worked on holistically. AC have cross referenced other proposals, mitigations, exemption etc, what is appropriate. **Action: Plea to everyone to look at exemptions/concessions and submit their thoughts.**
- **Action: We need to ensure we get our comms right, public health, road closures, what we have learnt. We want to relay that we are opening the city and not just linear. Interconnected narrative.**
- Marvin agreed that Paul Hassan and his team can be used for comms as this isn't just a bcc initiative it is for everyone.
- Concern raised that we are only looking through a narrow lens and not linking up with other issues – lower carbon etc. wider city benefit. Missed opportunity to set a collab approach.

Please see below the link to some further information on Mass Transit and Public Transport for Bristol and a short animation which has been released 11/03/2021 - [Mass transit and public transport plans for Bristol - bristol.gov.uk](https://www.bristol.gov.uk/mass-transit-and-public-transport-plans-for-bristol)

Animation only short cut:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b5pzf9MTEPA&t=5s>

		<p>Please find a series of links to different social media channels where Marvin spends one minute talking Transport -</p> <p><a href="https://www.facebook.com/MarvinJRees/posts/1862826200532744">https://www.facebook.com/MarvinJRees/posts/1862826200532744</a></p> <p><a href="https://twitter.com/MarvinJRees/status/1369358574476988416">https://twitter.com/MarvinJRees/status/1369358574476988416</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.instagram.com/tv/CMNVwUXhBUg/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link">https://www.instagram.com/tv/CMNVwUXhBUg/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link</a></p>
12:15-12:40	5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bristol Climate Strategy 2020 Annual Report - <b>(BACCC)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Summary of Targets affecting Transport – <b>(all)</b></li> <li>b. Discussion – Actions needed for 2021 – <b>(all)</b></li> </ol> </li> <li>• BACC, broadly a technical committee, localised national committee.</li> <li>• Ask and points – carbon neutrality and climate emergency and resilience, strategies. We support with different decision making, help monitor progress and drafting. Working with liveable neighbourhoods. <b>Action: JP and OM to link up.</b></li> <li>• Any q’s email OM.</li> <li>• We need to figure out what does Bristol City Council need to implement to see behavioural change.</li> <li>• <b>Action: We need an assessment what liveable neighbourhoods will aim to achieve/evidence.</b> There is work going on, on a sub-regional level. The Transport board should be saying the implications and what we are doing. Two strands; behavioural expectations and the reliance on reports and plans. We need an enabling infrastructure, what is currently planned and what will be planned to get to net zero. <b>Action: We need to link up with COP, discuss what it means etc.</b></li> <li>• We remember how we are focusing on the immediate and then longer term alongside.</li> <li>• <b>Action: Request that we need to have sight of other local plans.</b></li> <li>• <b>Action: We need to look at decarbonisation.</b></li> </ul>
12:40-12:55	6)	<p>Transport Priorities for Covid-19 Recovery in 2021 – <b>(all)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Recommendations for the Mayor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Action: We need to drive the use of public transport, behavioural change.</b></li> <li>• We are supplementing travel, one train the same amount of cars yes it’s a better way to travel but is still adding carbon to the atmosphere.</li> <li>• Suggestion – one thing is missing; public and communities trust, can’t just present them with facts and figures. <b>Action: We need to have a relationship with our communities.</b> Commented on visit to Lawrence Weston and spoke to working class men of the group who don’t have cars for transport they have it for status and when you are in a deprived area and have nothing status can mean a lot.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Action: Ensure we are engaged with all communities and not a single strand e.g. middle class as we will not have a broad city view.</b> Many people who are passionate about climate change but are not actioning. Do not travel by public transport, limit how much you use it. <b>Action: We need to think about how we ensure people feel safe using it again.</b></li> <li>• <b>Action: We need access to the data with how people are looking to travel to work in the future, the transport data will differ massively from the past due to Covid-19 and with people working from home and future ways of working.</b></li> <li>• <b>Action: We need to have a travel commercial for how people can travel as social distancing methods will most likely be on to the end of year.</b></li> <li>• Suggestion - emphasise reassurance piece as travelling on public transport there is already the element of putting your life into someone else's hands, so we are now adding to the list of reassurance; cleanliness etc.</li> <li>• A reminder was made - on funding, need to protect funding, way of travel will be forever changed. Covid-10 although negative has brought congestion down, massive explosion in cycling, up by 300% in lockdown. After lockdown people stopped cycling, behaviour shift if you remove the threat.</li> <li>• <b>Action: We need to ensure we are lobbying for funding and also looking at speed of traffic, volume gone down but speed gone up.</b></li> </ul>
12:55-13:00	7)	<p>AOB – (all) Cllr Dudd: Western Harbour Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What was proposed by highways network has been changed and are back to drawing board on how to examine and develop scheme.</li> <li>• Request - We need to learn lessons from this.</li> <li>• Early discussion was Western Harbour and how it would work with liveable neighbourhoods. This could be an opportunity to step away from the old-fashioned methods.</li> <li>• <b>Action: Active travel plans: we need to figure out what schemes are being worked on for potential funding and what are we doing to plan for success.</b></li> <li>• <b>Action: We need to confirm what capacity are building to spend it and attract it to our region and remaining active travel funds to come from spending review this year.</b></li> <li>• <b>Action: Active Travel Plans – preparation for potential funding PICK UP further points via email.</b></li> </ul> <p>Next meeting 11<sup>th</sup> May 2021</p>