

## Bristol One City Transport Board

Date/time	14/01/2025 09:00-12:00	Venue	Motability Operations, Building 410 Bristol Business Park, Stoke Gifford, Bristol BS16 1EJ
Attendance	<p><b>Co-chairs:</b> <b>Melanie Watson, Transport Focus;</b> <b>Cllr Ed Plowden, Bristol City Council</b></p> <p><b>Board Members:</b> <b>Katy Driscoll, Motability; Mark Brown, Motability; Zoe Bank Gross, Sustrans;</b> <b>Graham Parkhurst, University of the West of England; Tom Swithenbank, Visit West</b> <b>and Bristol BID; Louise McBride, West of England Combined Authority; Randall</b> <b>Rickabaugh, Enterprise Holdings; Fraser Reid, WSP; Lewis Lippiatt; UHBW North</b> <b>Bristol NHS trust; Andrew Ord, Bristol Port Company.</b></p> <p><b>Bristol City Council:</b> <b>Jacob Pryor, Transport Policy, Bidding and Strategic Projects Team Manager</b> <b>Melanie Bufton, Principal Transport Planner</b> <b>Juliet Gardner, Transport Policy Officer</b> <b>Arthur Girling, Business Active Travel Officer</b></p> <p><b>City Office:</b> <b>Judith Langdon, Bristol City Office.</b></p>		
Optional networking session			
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<p><b>Welcome from co-chairs</b> Melanie Watson, Transport Focus Cllr Ed Plowden, Bristol City Council</p> <p>MW introduced herself and led the introductions around the board table. EP gave a quick update from a BCC perspective including the budget constraints the council are facing. MW in the process of reviewing dates for future board meetings.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> MW to circulate upcoming dates.</p>			
<p><b>Welcome from hosts</b> Katy Driscoll, Motability Mark Brown, Motability</p> <p>MW introduced the Motability Foundation and thanked them for hosting the board meeting. MB covered housekeeping points and introduced himself as the Head of Impact and Sustainability at Motability and showed an overview video about the organisation. MB ran through how the organisation support people with accessibility needs via allowances through government funding. There was open discussion with the board members around electric vehicles, charging infrastructure and public charging figures, other transport options, partnerships and other challenges.</p> <p><b>Offer:</b> AG to talk to KD about Travelwest and BCC sustainable travel offers.</p>			

**Action:** MB to circulate presentation.

**Action:** MB to send round the WAV electric vehicle concept.

### **Board Member Updates**

Tom Swithenbank, Bristol BID

Lewis Lippiatt, UBHW NHS Trust

TS updated the board on the Bristol BID and potential changes, notably the BIDs coming into one central Bristol BID. TS explained it would bring bigger investment into the city centre and bigger voice with stakeholders. Businesses will vote in June, Bristol BID to start in November if voted in. TS emphasises there were positive signs from businesses.

From a Visit West perspective, lots of tourism is anticipated for the upcoming year. Coach parking has been raised as a challenge. TS stated that the transport network can be confusing for some tourists i.e. no ticket integration between modes.

The board discussed a variety of challenges for visitors coming to the city, including legibility and coach parking.

LL updated on Southmead hospital and outlined the efforts to move towards the net zero 2030 target. Particular interest in transport from colleagues due to public health and air quality concerns as they see how much air quality can impact respiratory issues. LL updated on Bristol's two NHS trusts partnering up, and that movement between sites is expected to increase, but there is a poor transport corridor connecting them therefore concerns around how people will travel between the two sites sustainably.

LL covered transport updates, discussed measures implemented by the Trust to increase sustainable travel, and gave the board a breakdown on employee mode share.

**Offer:** TS can share a list of coach companies that come into Bristol.

**Offer:** LM to share consultation document for those interested about the Western Gateway Strategic Investment Plan.

### **City Office Update**

Judith Langdon – Head of City Office

JL introduced herself and updated the board that this was her first transport board. JL updated the board on the City Gathering that was successful and insightful. The next City Gathering will be in April, date TBC.

JL highlighted the One City Plan Refresh and the high number of applications for the amount of spaces for new board members. Whilst spaces were oversubscribed, keen for all applicants to be involved going forward. Discussion needs to be had on what mechanisms can be in place to facilitate this much involvement.

The refresh happens every two years, starting this year and kick off meeting occurred last week. City Office colleagues and funders discussed the appetite of the refresh and JL emphasised to the board that there should be continuity and that the goals can be more dynamic to ensure the representatives are not limited.

JL updated the board that this work will be completed by the end of May and keen for the board member's input.

**Action:** JL to share April details for next City Gathering.

**Offer:** JL to share City Gathering webinar to those interested.

## **Presentation on progress against 2024 One City Goals**

Jacob Pryor, Bristol City Council

JP summarised a presentation regarding the One City Goals and the upcoming work plan for 2025. May 2023 was the last refresh of the goals, written and agreed by all partners. JP went through the varying levels of progress against the goals focusing on legibility, freight distribution and the night-time economy, and that the Task and Finish group had discussed principles relating to the goals.

**Action:** JP to email the actions from the T&F group to the board.

**Action:** JP to share report deadline with TS.

## **Group breakout session on 2025 goals**

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JP outlined the three transport goals to the group and asked the board to have a think about: how they can help achieve these goals with the resources they have access to, how can the board work with other board members, and how the board can segment the council's work.

Board members were split into smaller groups to discuss. The goals are as follows:

- Goal 88: Coordinated promotion campaigns in retail, business and tourist locations have ensured that all visitors and citizens know how to easily move around the city in an affordable, accessible and sustainable manner.
- Goal 89: A citywide parking policy that manages demand and includes residents' parking, where there is overwhelming local support, with red routes that are delivered to reduce private car ownership and to manage kerb space, is operational in the city
- Goal 90: Principles of good local services are reducing the need for travel within the city and supporting the delivery of liveable neighbourhoods across Bristol

The groups fed back after their discussions highlighting how the organisations are working to help achieve these goals. There was a particular focus on goal 88 and what would do to help this however the groups alluded that the outcome may be hard to achieve by board members. There was extended discussion around the goals needing to be more refined and objective, as board members found the targets challenging when it came to how they can measure success. JP concluded that there need to be a more tangible focus and more thought needs to go into how the board can help drive change and what resources can they offer.

**Action:** JP and MW to review the goals and bring thoughts to the next meeting.

**Action:** JP and MW to plan next meeting using discussion points from the breakout exercise.

**Action:** JP and MW to discuss Task and Finish groups outside of the board meetings, with EP to review.

## **AOB**

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GP flagged the night-time economy summit. JP to use resources at council to help this.

TS reminded the group that the Bristol Light Festival is starting on 31<sup>st</sup> January and ends on 9<sup>th</sup> February.

MW closed the meeting and said she will circulate next meeting date for April.

**Action:** MW to circulate next meeting date when known.