

**MINUTES OF THE LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN COMMITTEE OF TRING TOWN  
COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, THE MARKET HOUSE, TRING  
ON MONDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 7.30 P.M.**

**Present:** Councillors: C. Townsend (Chairman)  
P. Hearn  
P. McDowell  
H. Piper  
Co-opted Members: Mrs E. Bendall  
Mr H. Grace  
Mr N. Hollinghurst (County Councillor)

**Also Present:** Cllr N. Nutkins  
Mr M. Curry (Town Clerk)  
Mrs. D. Slade (Deputy Town Clerk)  
0 Members of the Public

**19860. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr R. Ransley (prior appointment).

**RESOLVED:** To accept the apologies for the reasons given.

**19861. TO MAKE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**19862. MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE MINUTES**

None

**19863. CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**19864. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No members of the public present.

**19865. THE LOCAL STATION PLAN**

Details of the research conducted by London Northwestern Rail (LNR) were circulated prior to the meeting.

*Preliminary Survey Results:*

- 478 returns (79 partially completed – not part of the prelim results. These will be available once the survey is closed) 474 fully postcoded
- Appears that the results are a reasonably representative sample; not obviously skewed e.g. by sex or by age group
- Postcode data can be verified/compared with car park season ticket sales data and rail season ticket data
- Tring not the nearest station of 20% of responders, for 18% it was Cheddington
- Leisure use almost matched commuting when asked about use (any that applied; not the prime use)
- 60% of respondents used the railway more than once a week. 20% had an annual season ticket. Over 60% did not have a season ticket

- There were a relatively high proportion of users whose usual method of travel was cycling (12%). Drop was also high at 14%. 8% walked
- There was no car sharing amongst responders
- The average journey time (11mins) was low

#### 2. *Car Share Scheme*

- Whilst there were no respondents car sharing (the anecdotal evidence is that some people do), 107 said they were interested in it
- LNR is launching their car share scheme now as the building works are reducing the number of parking spaces further.  
<https://liftshare.com/uk/community/wmtrains>
- The recognised problem of staggered returns was discussed.
- Longer term option – part of a wider car share scheme i.e. share with non-rail user

#### 3. *Cycling*

- Appears to have potential to expand usage – high percentage would consider it. Interest in electric bikes also
- At the station the new racks have gone in and are very well used. Some cyclists, however, cannot use them as their bike does not fit
- Some concern about security
- Because of the above, considering using the funding that is there for more racks to provide a ‘premium’ service.
- There was a discussion of the location of this second phase
- The poor state of the Station Road cycleway was raised

#### 4. *Community Transport*

- There have been some discussions with CAD
- Car share data might be able to identify possible locations for a minibus service
- Note importance of image – airport courtesy bus not community transport
- Submit a collective Customer & Communities Improvement Fund (CCIF) bid for the facilitation of/provision of a Community Transport pilot – route feasibility, promotional material, CT bus stop at the station

#### 5. *Forecourt Plan*

- To make meaningful improvements to the Station’s facilities i.e. disabled & public toilets, sheltered waiting area, improved traffic flow, etc.
- the maximum use must be made of the existing area, challenging current allocations in order to provide the necessary infrastructure
- these should be supplemented by additional facilities offsite
- The completion of the accessibility project (Lifts early 2020) will have implications for the profile of users which needs to be taken into account when considering these facilities

#### 6. *Other Matters*

- Tring Station now a controlled parking zone
- AVDC housing development and the transport model used questioned
- General appearance of the station causing concern
- Next Stakeholders meeting – Mid November

The following points were made during discussion of the report:

- Request analysis of where cyclists using the station were coming from
- Was there potential/demand for a Cheddington/Tring shuttle bus
- Any transport development needed to be mindful of Hertfordshire County Council's transport policies
- County Councillor Hollinghurst was chasing the status of the Tring projects in the Tring, Northchurch & Berkhamsted Urban Transport Plan
- Station Cycleway – repairs have been approved but it could be two years before the work is done.
- Reference was made to a cycleway linking to LA5

**19866. HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL INTALINK ENHANCED BUS PARTNERSHIP CONSULTATION**

Mrs Bendall outlined the context of the consultation in terms of the 2017 legislation, oversight of private bus operators and how there was an opportunity for the County Council and bus operators to work together.

**RESOLVED:** To support the recommendations in the consultation.

**19867. CLIMATE CHANGE**

Cllr Piper gave an update on the work of the Climate Change Working Party.

The meeting was closed at 8:45 pm

Chairman