

NOTES OF MEETING

Title of Meeting:	Newmarket Vision Transport Delivery Group
Purpose or Mandate:	A meeting to discuss transport issues in Newmarket and the priorities identified by the Newmarket Vision process.
Date:	2014-03-12
Place:	Ernest Cassel room, Newmarket Town Council, Newmarket
Times:	13:00 – 16:00
Attendees:	Councillor Warwick Hirst, (WH), Forest Heath DC & Newmarket TC Councillor Rona Burt, (RB), Forest Heath DC Councillor Chris Barker (CB), Forest Heath DC Councillor Peter Hulbert (PH), Newmarket TC Nick Patton, (NP), Training Grounds Manager, Jockey Club Estates Magnus Magnusson, (MM), FHDC Officer Suzanne Buck, (SB), Suffolk County Council Officer Guy Smith, (GS), Suffolk County Council Officer
Invited Guests	
Apologies	Councillor Lisa Chambers, (LC), Cabinet Member Suffolk County Council Councillor Graham Newman, (GN), Cabinet Member Roads & Transport Councillor David Hudson,(DH), Suffolk County Council Mark Shipton – A/Inspector, Safer Neighbourhood Team Gemma Charrington, (GC), Newmarket Racecourse Cameron Findlay (CF), Forest Heath DC Officer

Cllr Warwick Hirst was Chair of this meeting

Ref	Notes	Action
1.	Actions from the previous meeting were reported Agreed that these items would be discussed as part of main agenda items.	
2.	Summary of work carried out to date. For the benefit of the new members of the group, SB summarised work carried out by Newmarket Transport Working Group in identifying schemes for improvements to horse walks, horse crossings and for pedestrians. This has led to a set of plans for improvement to be funded from the LTP, developments or other external funding.	

	SB provided copies on reports carried out to date and will send out electronic copies of proposed improvements with the notes of the meetings	SB
3.	<p>Supermarket Sec106 update</p> <p>The Morrisons JR period has now passed and the section 106 agreed.</p> <p>Tesco JR period is half way through</p> <p>MM to provide details of the Maltings development, Fordham Rd</p> <p>WH requested an update of section 106 agreements to reflect the conditions.</p>	MM MM
4.	<p>Rutland Arms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Works to start 6th June 2014. - With section 106 monies there is sufficient funding to construct the scheme. - The artist has now been commissioned. - The opening ceremony is currently planned to be 10th September 2014. 	
5.	<p>Residents parking</p> <p>The consultation has just finished. The results will be reviewed and a meeting set up with district and county councillors to discuss the results and potential options in the near future.</p>	
6.	<p>TRO Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TRO for changes to Rayes Lane and the horse walks are currently out for consultation. If there are objections they will need to be considered by the Rights of Way Committee. - There was a discussion around the anti-idling proposals for the High St, this will require new powers to enforce. The main issue relates to idling of taxis at the taxi ranks. 	
7.	<p>Update and prioritisation of LTP schemes</p> <p>Following the update on schemes, discussion related to programme of LTP and maintenance works.</p> <p>GS informed the group that the HA would be shutting the A14 for 25 nights in May. Expected time of closures will be 8pm to 6am. The diversion would be Fordham Rd and through the High St for westbound traffic.</p> <p>GS informed the group that the gas company would be carrying out works in Snailwell Rd during April/May</p> <p>SB informed the group that the agreed LTP schemes were currently being programmed.</p> <p>For improvement schemes, it was proposed that the July Festival</p>	

	<p>dates are avoided.</p> <p>NP to send information on key dates to avoid if possible</p> <p>It was requested that press information be provided about significant maintenance and improvement works ahead of them happening to inform the public. SB to speak to press office</p> <p>SB reported that she had not met with the school yet to discuss the zebra crossing location on Fordham Rd near to Rayes Lane. WH reported that St Louis School preferred locating the crossing at the island.</p>	<p>NP</p> <p>SB</p>
8.	<p>Website</p> <p>SB informed the group that following discussions with Liz Watts, West Suffolk, that information relating to the work of the Newmarket Transport Working Group would be located on the SCC website and a link provided to the West Suffolk Vision website. This would include information relating to the programme of works.</p> <p>All work relating to the Newmarket Vision would be put on the West Suffolk site, including a table of vision priorities with updates on progress.</p>	<p>SB</p>
9.	<p>Vision Priorities</p> <p>The group reviewed the priorities allocated to the transport delivery group.</p> <p>4.1 It was an agreed priority but should also include signing to car parks</p> <p>4.2 An agreed priority for the group</p> <p>4.3 This priority was considered to be included within 4.2 and would not be considered separately</p> <p>4.4 Noted that scheme for a new horse walk identified for Snailwell Rd. The group would consider new proposals</p> <p>4.5 This is a continuation of work from the Newmarket Transport Working Group. New proposals would be considered.</p> <p>4.6 This priority was unclear. However, access for all user groups covered within other priorities listed here. Priority 4.6 would not be considered separately</p> <p>4.7 Consideration of the parking strategy considered a high priority for the group. It also links to public realm improvements and air quality. Taxi issues need to be considered.</p> <p>4.8 This needs to be considered in collaboration with the Town Centre delivery group as the highway and traffic movements are key factors.</p> <p>4.9 20mph schemes have already been considered by the NTWG and would not be considered further at this time.</p> <p>4.10 This is not considered to be a transport/highways issue. Not to be progressed. Could be considered by a separate group.</p>	

	<p>4.11 This priority is covered in 4.2. Not to be considered separately.</p> <p>4.12 This is not considered to be a transport/highways issue. Not to be progressed. Could be considered by a separate group.</p> <p>4.13 This is not considered to be a transport/highways issue. Not to be progressed. Could be considered by a separate group.</p> <p>4.14 This is considered a priority for the group. The rail group will be considering gateway treatments and signage as part of their work.</p> <p>4.15 This is not considered to be a transport/highways issue. Not to be progressed. Could be considered by a separate group.</p> <p>4.16 A NEW priority was proposed to look at improvements related to buses. Services, and infrastructure.</p> <p>SB to advise Liz Watts of updated Priority list</p>	SB
9.	<p>HGV's</p> <p>SB summarised the findings of the HGV survey and noted that the level of HGV's in the High St is within normal levels. The number of large vans may contribute to the perception of high HGV numbers.</p> <p>The group noted the report and no action was proposed.</p> <p>It was noted that parking by HGV's and large vans during deliveries was an issue. This could be picked up as part of the parking review.</p>	
10.	<p>Air Quality</p> <p>SB reported that FHDC had prepared an update Air Quality Action Plan and there were several highway related proposals to address the problem. These are partly linked to parking and taxis.</p> <p>SB to invite Ian Watson to a future meeting to discuss AQ.</p>	SB
	<p>RAIL</p> <p>SB confirmed that the rail group was now being progressed by SCC officers, Sally Harper and Kerry Allen and included representatives from FHDC and NTC.</p>	
11.	<p>AOB</p> <p>Concerns were raised about the continuous operation of the wig/wag lights on Fordham Rd. GS to follow up with SCC lighting and signals team</p> <p>Next two meeting dates set as detailed on the agenda</p> <p>Wednesday 23rd April 10am to 1pm</p> <p>Tuesday 3rd June 10am to 1pm</p>	GS