

# NOTES OF MEETING

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| <b>Title of Meeting:</b>   | Newmarket Vision Transport Delivery Group  |
| <b>Purpose or Mandate:</b> | A meeting to discuss and progress solutions for transport issues in Newmarket and Newmarket Vision Priorities  |
| <b>Date:</b>               | 27/06/2018   |
| <b>Place:</b>              | Ernest Cassel Room, Newmarket Town Council, Newmarket  |
| <b>Times:</b>              | 10:00 to 11:30   |
| <b>Attendees:</b>          | <p>Louis Busuttil – (LB) Suffolk County Councillor &amp; Deputy Cabinet Member for Operational Highways and Transport Strategy (Meeting Chair)</p> <p>Councillor Peter Hulbert (PH) - Newmarket Town Council</p> <p>Councillor Warwick Hirst (WH) - Newmarket Town Council</p> <p>Councillor Chris Barker (CB) - FHDC</p> <p>Nick Patten (NP) - Jockey Club Estates</p> <p>Carl Ashton – (CA) Suffolk County Council, Transport Strategy</p> <p>Joseph Hough – (JH) Suffolk County Council, Transport Strategy</p> <p>Nick Patten – (NP) Jockey Club Estates</p> <p>Sally Easton – (SE) West Suffolk DC</p> <p>Darren Dixon – (DD) West Suffolk DC</p> <p>Oran Redmond – (OR) West Suffolk DC</p> <p>Ray Keeley – (RK) High Street Design Brief Consultant</p> <p>Ben – Waitrose Manager</p> |
| <b>Non-attendees:</b>      | <p>Councillor Rachel Hood (RH) – Suffolk County Council</p> <p>Councillor Robin Millar (RM) – Suffolk County Council</p> <p>Roberta Bennett (RB) – Newmarket Town Council Manager</p> <p>Graham Philpot (GP) – Newmarket BID Manager</p> <p>Francesca Clarke (FC) – Suffolk Highways</p>   |

**Chairman - Cllr Louis Busuttil**  
**Notes of Meeting – Carl Ashton**

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| 1.  | <b>Introductions</b> – were made around the room   |        |
| 2.  | <p><b>Apologies</b> – received from;</p> <p>Roberta Bennett, Graham Philpot &amp; Rona Burt</p> <p>There are a number of group members who rarely attend the meetings. Those present agreed to review the attendance list and objectives of the group. LB to request County Councillor attendance at future meetings</p> | LB     |
| 3.  | <p><b>Minutes of previous meeting &amp; matters arising</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agreed as a true record</li> </ul>  |        |

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|    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Snailwell Rd horsewalk – WH requested that Cllr Robin Millar comments further at the next meeting with regards to the latest situation.</li> <li>• Snailwell Rd horsewalk – NP commented that tree survey carried out and there is damage to 2 or 3 trees which will be felled and replaced</li> <li>• Wyndham Rd verges – LB informed meeting that verge cutting has been seen as a lower priority to filling potholes, maintaining drainage and other highway maintenance. WH to take the issue with Robin Millar</li> </ul>   | WH |
| 4. | <p><b>Newmarket Car Parking Strategy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JH explained to the meeting that SCC are working with West Suffolk to develop a car parking strategy for Newmarket. It's a new initiative and Newmarket has been chosen as the first urban area.</li> <li>• JH would like comments sent to him about what currently works well, what doesn't and any suggestions welcome. Joe's email address is: <a href="mailto:joseph.hough@suffolk.gov.uk">joseph.hough@suffolk.gov.uk</a></li> <li>• NP – Deliveries a major issue, no where to park so block the road. Deliveries to be timed? Parking on High Street banned?</li> <li>• DD – Currently people park on single yellow and double yellow lines and there is little enforcement. When CPE comes in where will these people be displaced too? What are people's views on Resident Parking Zones?</li> <li>• On street parking charges – West Suffolk Officers supported the idea of introducing charges. Are there opportunities for Pay &amp; Display on roads. The Avenue mentioned as was Park Lane. PH Does not support increase in cost of parking by meeting does support principle of on street pay and display.</li> <li>• PH asked about how often EV charging points are used. DD reported that they are frequently being used and that it's a pilot scheme under review.</li> <li>• JH to attend next meeting and provide an update</li> </ul> | GP |
| 5. | <p><b>High Street Design Brief</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SE introduced brief and outlined that report has come from TRET group and seeks to develop a blue print for the High Street.</li> <li>• Underpinned by two principles i) Must adhere to planning policy &amp; ii) must be deliverable</li> <li>• A sub group has been set up, chaired by Boyd Nicholas (West Suffolk)</li> <li>• RK – talked through the report, outlining some of the key improvements and proposals. Regarding car parking, overall numbers stay the same but remove taxi parking from High Street. National Express bus moved to Rowley Drive.</li> <li>• CA made points previously raised to sub group regarding proposed impact on highway e.g. removing traffic capacity on The Avenue and concerns about how vulnerable users may use the 'shared space' approach. Also maintenance of high spec materials needs careful consideration, Suffolk Highways have limited revenue budgets to maintain these high quality public realms.</li> <li>• WH said that he would support the reduction of taxi parking on the High Street.</li> </ul>  |    |

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|     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PH Would like to see buses remain in the High Street, although WH said that National Express coaches could go to bus station and local services remain in High Street</li> </ul>  |    |
| 6.  | <p><b>Waitrose Entrance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ben – explained problems Waitrose are having at certain times with regards to access and egress from the car park onto the highway. People can wait 20 minutes at the signals at times</li> <li>CA to investigate current signal staging and timings and report back at next meeting how junction operates and if there can be anything done to change/improve timings</li> <li>NP - Second access – possible planning application submitted by church to build two houses on land that could be used for second access. CB not aware of this application and will look out for it</li> </ul> | CA |
| 7.  | <p><b>AOB</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DD – Made meeting aware that market is moving from beginning of September. Guy Smith and Mark Wedgwood (Suffolk Highways) have approved this.</li> <li>NP – Asked for confirmation from Suffolk Highways of when the resurfacing at Bury Road was taking place. CA to investigate. POST MEETING NOTE: Resurfacing scheduled for 23 July for 3 nights.</li> <li>PH – Wanted to thank SCC and FH Officers for their support with regards to the Weatherby Crossing.</li> </ul>  | CA |
| 19. | <p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Sept 2018 10:00 to 12:00</li> <li>Meet at Ernest Cassel Room at Newmarket Town Council, hopefully we can have the town walk about that we were due to have at this meeting. Agenda to follow.</li> </ul>  |    |

Meeting ended at 11.45