

NOTES OF MEETING

Title of Meeting:	Newmarket Vision Transport Delivery Group
Purpose or Mandate:	A meeting to discuss and progress solutions for transport issues in Newmarket and Newmarket Vision Priorities
Date:	18/04/2018
Place:	Ernest Cassel Room, Newmarket Town Council, Newmarket
Times:	10:00 to 11:30
Attendees:	Councillor Jane Storey (JS) – Cabinet Member for Highways, Transport & Rural Affairs, Suffolk County Council
	Louis Busuttil – Suffolk County Councillor with special responsibility for highways performance
	Councillor Peter Hulbert (PH) - Newmarket Town Council
	Councillor Warwick Hirst (WH) - Newmarket Town Council
	Councillor Chris Barker (CB) - FHDC
	Roberta Bennett (RB) – Newmarket Town Council Manager
	Nick Patten (NP) - Jockey Club Estates
	Carl Ashton – (CA) Suffolk County Council, Transport Strategy
	Darren Dixon – (DD) West Suffolk DC
Non-attendees:	Councillor Rachel Hood (RH) – Suffolk County Council
	Chamber of Commerce
	Councillor Robin Millar (RM) – Suffolk County Council
	Suffolk Police
	Graham Philpot (GP) – Newmarket BID Manager
	Francesca Clarke (FC) – Suffolk Highways

Chairman - Cllr Jane Storey Notes of Meeting - Carl Ashton

Ref	Notes	Action
1.	Introductions – were made around the room	
2.	Apologies – received from;	
	Graham Philpot & Francesca Clarke	
	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. JS to request County Councillor attendance at future meetings	JS
3.	Implications of Hatchfield Farm decision (A142 junction Rayes Lane crossing)	
	 Current status – understood to be back in local plan and awaiting official consultation 	

4.	Access from Waitrose	
	 GP gave apologies and provided an update to RB a as follows: '1 think the store is having some difficulty identifying who from Head Office's property team should attend and also lead on this. I've received no update despite asking.' 	GP
	Bobbi has invited Diane Robertshaw of Waitrose to the next meeting	
	 NP added that there is a planning application on for two houses by the church with access off Rayes Lane 	
5.	High Street Design Brief	
	 Draft document discussed at recent TRET group. Views of FHDC and SCC have been sought via Boyd Nicholas. Date for full public consultation not known at present. 	
	 Concern that group have not seen document before it goes in public domain and would like to see and comment on report. Link to report can be found attached below. 	
	 CA to request Boyd Nicholas attends next meeting to present report 	CA
	1.INTERNAL consultation draft le	
6.	Palace Street - No Entry	
	Update from GP below	
	• 'I'm not sure where it has come from that NTC, BID and BTM Group are looking to close the street. We're not! We are looking at how we can change the street to be more accommodating for pedestrians and better link into the High Street. A TRO on the street may be more appropriate for certain times of the day when footfall should be at a high point. We have not begun the consultation yet until 'the dust settles' with certain local businesses and there is less emotion around it. We are probably going to do it in May.'	
	Further discussion and update at next meeting	GP
7.	Modifications to the Snailwell Road concrete horsewalk	
	 JS gave an update that Graham Taylor at Suffolk Highways has completed 90% of the design work and that physical works are planned for three weeks either side of 21 June (end of May to early July) 	
8.	Management of horse crossings, including new vehicle activated signs	
	 Project budget of c£300k agreed between Jockey Club and SCC 	
	 Prioritised location – Barbara Stradbroke Ave – 2 crossings. Works to be ordered this week. 	
	 NP tells group that Rayes Lane now seen as a low priority because it will be subject of S106 contribution and upgrade when Hatchfield Farm is developed. 	
	 WH would like to see copies of proposed plans. CA agreed to attach to minutes – See attached. 	CA

18. **AOB**

- Speed indicator signs David Chenery SCC. Movable signs around the town part funded by Jockey Club and Town Council, working well.
- WH raised the condition of the verges in Wyndham Way. RM has been involved. LB explained SCC's position across the county with regards to clearing the backlog of potholes and other priorities such as drainage which have resulted in the state of verges being a low priority
- PH thanked FHDC and SCC for their support with the work in relation to the Weatherby Crossing. The hearing is due on the 1st and 2nd May
- Darren Dixon gave an update with regards to CPE and the possible impact on delivery due to Brexit. RB informed that group that from Sept a PCSO will be paid for to help enforce parking in Newmarket.
- RB raised an item that GP would like to raise regarding cycle provision on the A142. Some large businesses have asked if consideration can be given for improvements and also for a commuter bus service from the Snailwell Rd area in peak times.

19. Date of Next Meeting

- Wednesday 27th June 2018 10:00 to 11:30
- Ernest Cassel Room at Newmarket Town Council

Draft Agenda:

- Group Objectives
- 30 min tour of Newmarket to look at issues discussed RB to arrange
- JS to chase for County Cllr attendance
- High Street Design Brief Boyd Nicholas
- Horse Crossings

Meeting ended at 11.22