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**TRANSPORT FOR TEES VALLEY**

**City Learning Centre, Eston at  
2.00pm on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2010**

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ATTENDEES

Councillor Bob Cook	Stockton on Tees BC	In the Chair
Councillor David Lyonette	Darlington BC	
Councillor David Budd	Middlesbrough BC	
David Marshall	Association of North East Councils	
Vanessa Gilbert	Highways Agency	
Tony Gordon	Redcar & Cleveland BC	
Penny Marshall	Government Office North East	
Richard McGuckin	Stockton BC	
Andrew Bainbridge	North Yorks County Council	
Brian Glover	Middlesbrough C	
Alastair Smith	Hartlepool BC	
Ross Smith	NECC	
Robin Knight	Stagecoach North East	
Jonathan Spruce	Tees Valley Unlimited	

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APOLOGIES

Councillor Peter Jackson	Hartlepool BC
Simon Dove	One NorthEast
Dave Stubbs	Hartlepool BC
Tom Bryant	North Yorkshire County Council

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**1 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

There were no conflicts of Interest declared

**2 NOTES OF THE MEETING ON 27 APRIL 2010**

The minutes of the meeting held on 27 April 2010 were agreed as a true record.

**3 MATTERS ARISING**

Tees Valley Economic and Regeneration Statement of Ambition

Members considered a report that summarised the development of a new Economic and Regeneration Statement of Ambition for the Tees Valley and outlined the process and timetable for its completion.

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It was explained that the Leadership Board had agreed the statement for wider circulation.

Members were referred to paragraph 3.3 of the report, which detailed a number of questions. Members were asked to consider the questions and provide views by mid August. A final version of the statement would be available in October

RESOLVED that members be contacted and requested to provide views on the statement by mid August.

#### **4 MAJOR TRANSPORT SCHEMES FUNDING UPDATE**

Members considered a report that provided information about funding on major transport schemes within the region, in the light of announcements from the Government.

##### Bus Network Improvements

Members noted that, with regard to the Bus Network Improvements, the Government had announced that the Full Approval status of the scheme had been confirmed but subsequent discussion with the DfT indicated that some re profiling would be preferable to account for overall departmental cuts in FY10/11. An amended scheme funding profile had been agreed and this had been submitted to the DfT as part of ongoing negotiations.

##### Tees Valley Metro

Members considered the Tees Valley Metro and noted that there was significant risk to 3 of the 4 funding packages for phase 1. No further funds would be committed until the results of the spending review was known.

Work was being undertaken with Network Rail to identify other sources of funding should that prove necessary. Particular reference was made to rail franchises and how longer franchises were likely to provide more certainty and attract greater private investment.

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Noted that schemes with IT elements were being reviewed, so this may be affected. Need to make the case why this should be exempt.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

#### **5 TEES VALLEY CONNECTIVITY AND ACCESSIBILITY STUDY**

The Panel was reminded that a study into Strategic Connections for the region was being undertaken. Members were provided with the Executive Summary of the Phase 1 report along with the preliminary long list of options for interventions to tackle issues identified. It was explained that

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the full phase 1 report and Evidence Base report would be published on the TVU website.

As there was uncertainty over the future of the Delivering a Sustainable Transport System process the Phase 1 report would be an evidence base used to underpin the case for future transport investment. In addition it was considered that this valuable work would sit at the front end of LTPs.

Noted that Carbon Challenge would be a key issue for transport funding in the future.

Noted that a study into rural accessibility, which included East Cleveland as a case study area would be undertaken by a small Team at ANEC. The work would be completed in May and would be distributed to authorities. Again this would be a valuable evidence base.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

## **6 CONNECT INFORMATION PORTAL – STAGE 2**

The Panel was provided with a demonstration of the latest version of the connect portal. Members provided feedback on its functionality and noted that they, and others, would get the opportunity to test the system during August with a view to launching in the Autumn. Initial comments were very positive.

Issues/comments raised included:-

- Need to consider ways of getting people to use the portal regularly – must give it a real push.
- What impact will it have – will it get people to change transport choices.
- Important to get mobile use spot on

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

## **8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING(S)**

- Tuesday 25 January 2011
- Tuesday 19 April 2011
- Tuesday 19 July 2011

Meetings to be held at 2pm – venue to be confirmed.

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