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Transport Forum Minutes

Wednesday 26th June 2019 – 9.30am – 11.30am

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Minutes

Present

Peter Kennan – Chair of Transport Forum
Ian Appleby – Vice Chair of Transport Forum/PWC
Tom Sutton – Sheffield Chamber of Commerce
Jonathan Spruce – Fore Consulting
Laura Etheridge – East Midlands Trains
Jim Sweeney – Go Electric
Alex Forrest – Sheffield City Region
Alex Bray – Cross Country Trains
Nigel Wragg – Supertram
John Young – Stagecoach
Kevin Parkes - Amey
Ellen Lishman – JNP Group Consulting Engineers
Shammi Raichura - Uber
Greg Challis – Sheffield City Council
Penny Marshall – Institution of Civil Engineers: Yorkshire & Humber

Apologies

Richard Wright – Sheffield Chamber of Commerce
Emma Marshall – 3Squared
Mark Bailey – Specialised Tools
Jonathan Saunders – Alan Wood & Partners
Melissa Farmer – SYPTE
Tim Hale - Champion Hire Limited
John Bowes – Mott MacDonald
Shaun Hessey - Peterman Fork Lifts
Faye Davies – Ecus Ltd
Sam Chapman – The Flow
Arnie Singh – City Taxis



Presentation – Jonathan Spruce, Director at Fore Consulting

- Transport for the North (TFN) set up 3 or 4 years ago to create a transport vision for the north
- Created the Strategic Transport Plan - Ambition to create 850,000 jobs and add an additional £100bn to the economy
- Flagship programme for the Transport for the North is Northern Powerhouse Rail (NPR)
- NPR programme is 15 years worth of investment with a broad cost of £39bn
- Next 9-12 months is to determine the most appropriate options for each corridor
- HS2 and NPR are running on the same network, so they are fundamentally linked
- 7 Priority economic corridors have been identified (Strategic Development Corridors)
- Important corridor for the SCR is from Liverpool to Hull
- Importance of linking advanced manufacturing clusters that the SCR is one of – Currently not linked via the road network
- Work ongoing to develop the business case for the Trans-Pennine Tunnel
- TFN have created an Investment Programme that is phased in order to gain commitment from Government
- January 2019 – SCR Transport Strategy was refreshed
- SCR Transport Strategy Aims to connect businesses and residents to economic opportunity
- SCR Integrated Rail Plan – Should no longer be talking about HS2 in isolation but rather how NPR can be a catalyst to support a more integrated transport system in the SCR
- Transforming Cities Fund - £1.22bn fund that is focused on active travel. SCR is one of the 12 areas shortlisted
- Doncaster Sheffield Airport – proposal to create a new rail station at the Airport, providing a spur link from the East Coast Main Line and a connection to the Lincolnshire Line
- Rail link at DSA is included in TfN's STP Investment Plan as a post-2027 scheme
- Mayor asked Clive Betts MP to Chair a review of buses in South Yorkshire
- Bus Review will be independent and seek to report back to the Mayor

South Yorkshire Bus Review

- 2 Meetings thus far have taken place
- Membership of the panel has national experience
- Tackling congestion is a key issue
- Other areas of thought include smart ticketing, bus lane provision and removing the number of bus stops to improve journey times
- The Forum encourages members to complete the Bus Review, whether they use the bus service or not
- The link to the Bus Review will be circulated to the Forum

Sheffield City Council – Clean Air Zone (CAZ)

- Consultation opens on 1st July, which was publicly announced last week
- The Chamber will consider its response to the CAZ
- Forum queried the existence of Green Parking Scheme in Sheffield and the associated terms

Rail Franchises Update

- Network Rail were very keen to explain that they are looking to engage with SME's directly with regards to Supply Chain
- Network Rail reorganisation is positive
- Sheffield Chamber and East Midlands Chamber are keen to see reinstatement of electrification plans from Market Harborough to Clay Cross
- The Chamber is working hard for active advocacy of HS2 – The Chambers in the North are working together
- 100% Customer satisfaction rate on Tram Train – Over 500,000 passenger journeys in the first 6 months

