

Preston Three Tier Forum: Action Sheet

Meeting Date: 14th April 2014

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Smart ticketing ; An update is required when NOW Card agreed with Bus companies	Chris Anslow LCC	Negotiations are still ongoing with the bus companies and an update will be provided to members of the forum when available
Fishergate Central Gateway Project ; Pavement Works – An update was requested on the scheme and in particular an update on discussions with Network Rail about improvements to the Station approach	Phil Wilson LCC	<p>The Fishergate Central Gateway Project is now projected to be completed in October 2014 (please see Dashboard)</p> <p>In regard to the Station approach; Over the past 12 months we have held meetings with Virgin and Network Rail in relation to the development of the Station forecourt area, which would create a better arrival and departure experience into the City Centre, and to mirror the quality of the environment the Fishergate Central Gateway project will deliver.</p> <p>To date outline design / plans have been agreed for the area with Virgin and Network Rail representatives, who are fully supportive of the development and keen to see this come forward.</p> <p>The next step required to progress the development is to gain the necessary formal permissions from Network Rail, via a Station Change protocol, which Virgin are currently preparing to submit.</p> <p>The ideal timescales to undertake the development would be Summer this year, which would coincide with the completion of the Fishergate scheme, however this would be dependent on the outcome and timings of the Station Change process.</p>

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School Performance Figures; The meeting expressed its concern that Jonathan Hewitt could not attend and have asked that he attend the next meeting, the Chair gave his assurance that Jonathan would be at the next meeting	Jonathan Hewitt LCC	Jonathan has been advised of the Forum's request that he should attend the September meeting of the Forum
Highway between the Saddle Inn and the Smiths Arms; It was asked whether 'there is now work needed on Darkinson Lane as a result of all the traffic that went down it when the work was being carried out.' Is any work envisaged for Darkinson Lane?	Paul Dunne LCC	Lea Lane was closed whilst Network Rail replaced the bridge on Lea Lane, and although Darkinson Lane was not officially the diversion route for this closure it was heavily used during the works at Lea Lane and this has resulted in damage to the carriageway/verges on Darkinson Lane. Work has been identified and a works order will be issued in the near future for repairs to be carried out during the current financial year
Dashboard; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An update required on the Preston Station Cycle Link (was supposed to be completed Q4 2013/14) Guild Wheel/Shared cycle/path ways; it was suggested that cycling organisations urge their members to be more considerate to pedestrians A briefing regarding the "reinstatement" of the Colne to Skipton line was requested 	<div>Alasdair Simpson LCC</div> <div>Andy Mullaney LCC</div> <div>Dave Colbert LCC</div>	<p>We are still trying to get Network Rail's agreement to the proposed link. Because they are large bureaucratic organisation we are finding it difficult to get a response from them, despite contacting them at both a director and regional level.(Negotiations are now taking place, please see Dashboard for the up to date position)</p> <p>This is difficult to deliver because no such organisations or groups exist for the sort of cyclists that use the Guild Wheel. We will be increasing efforts on the share with care message however.</p> <p>The County Council is not undertaking a specific feasibility study into the reinstatement of the Colne to Skipton line. However, LCC has just commissioned an East Lancashire Rail</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central Lancashire Highways and Transport Master Plan; the schemes on the dashboard all related to South Ribble and members would wish to see more Preston information 	Dave Colbert/Commissioning Team/Mark Wardale LCC	<p>Connectivity Study, which is tasked with examining whether or how the rail network can contribute towards a transformational change in East Lancashire's economic fortunes, in particular, the importance of enhanced connectivity between East Lancashire and the growth areas of Preston and Central Lancashire, Manchester including Manchester Airport, and Leeds. The study will also identify how best to achieve this enhanced connectivity if there is demonstrable evidence that investment will deliver significant wider economic benefits for East Lancashire. This could include addressing gaps in the network, either physical and/or service patterns. The study's principal objective is to develop a 'Conditional Output Statement' setting out what East Lancashire requires of the rail industry in support of growing its economy, but accepting that realisation of each output will be subject to an affordable and value for money solution. It is due for completion by the end of this year.</p> <p>We will ensure future briefings do contain more Preston information</p>
Preston Bus Station ; regular updates to the Forum were requested	Andrew Barrow LCC	Further updates will be provided to the Forum (Please see Dashboard for the most up to date position)
Cycle casualty figures ; Paper to be shared when available	Paul Binks LCC	This paper will be provided to the Forum when available (Attached as part of the agenda)
City Deal ; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preston West Distributor, the Forum encourages the ideal that the 	Sarah Parry LCC	Every effort is being made to construct these roads as soon as possible within the constraints of the statutory processes i.e.

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<p>East/West spine road is finished before work on housing developments were started</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Hall Lane Gateway; An update on when improvements would be started was requested 		<p>2017/18 and 2016/17 starts on site respectively. It is not possible to preclude developers from starting on site without the roads being in place if they submit planning applications with numbers of houses which can be accommodated within the existing highway network (with some alteration).</p> <p>The Infrastructure Delivery Plan identifies that during 2014/15 we will be developing plans for each of the corridors identified within the Masterplan to be implemented at a time appropriate with the changes/additions to the highway network.</p>
<p>Planning Decisions;</p> <p>It was suggested that in order to explain why cases sometimes cannot be heard in public an illustrative case should be provided to the forum</p>	Preston City Council Planning	<p>Chris Hayward the City Council Planning Officer is meeting with the City Council's planning solicitor David Haley to see if they can come up with a possible scenario which is not Preston or site specific and could be sent or presented to the next meeting. (attached as part of the agenda)</p>
<p>Future Agenda Items;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The decline of the retail sector and a strategy to reinvigorate it An update on the Growth bid (it was suggested that a recent county council Task Group report "Local Growth and Business Support" be shared with the Forum) Collaborative agreements between the city and county council Preston Tramway School Performance Figures (requested that Jonathan Hewitt attend the next Forum meeting) 		<p>Briefing paper on the Growth Bid attached as part of the agenda. Task Group report to be presented to the Scrutiny Committee on 12 September after which agreed recommendations will be shared with the Forum.</p>

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Parish Council Matters raised; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning Decisions; It was suggested that in order to explain why cases sometimes cannot be heard in public an illustrative case should be provided to the forum (see above) 		See Above Planning Decisions