

Preston Three Tier Forum: Action Sheet

Meeting Date: 2nd December 2014

Lead Officer Comments Needed By: ASAP

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<p>Smart ticketing; An update is required when NOW Card agreed with Bus companies</p>	<p>Chris Anslow LCC</p>	<p>Negotiations are still ongoing with the bus companies and an update will be provided to members of the forum when available</p>
<p>Public Transport in Preston</p>	<p>Mark Wardale LCC</p>	<p>It was requested that this be a standing item on the Action Sheet with any Preston public transport initiatives/updates be provided to the Forum There is nothing to report this Forum</p>
<p>Fishergate Railway Bridge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A request was made for the outside of the bridge, which was unsightly, to now be painted. • It was suggested that local artists would welcome an opportunity to showcase their work on the bridge and Members asked if this matter could be pursued 	<p>Mark Wardale LCC</p>	<p>We are advised that Network Rail have wishes to paint the bridge however for Health and Safety reasons this would require a closure of the track underneath which as it is the West Coast Main Line this is not something they undertake lightly. The next probable available time would be in a couple of years when we understand Network Rail have some major works planned on the WCML and it may be an opportunity to work it in then however no decision has been made as yet</p> <p>We are currently in discussion with Network Rail regarding painting on the bridge by local artist (s) once I have further information I will advise the Forum, there are a number of issues Network Rail want to consider further regarding the installation of any paintings and these will be discussed at a meeting of the Fishergate Central Gateway group, chaired by Phil Barrett, to be</p>

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<p>Cycling within Preston There was some frustration that no progress had been made in providing access from Avenham Park via the Preston Railway Station Cycle Link despite previous assurances that it would be completed. It was considered important to move forward and have a timescale for completion. Mark Wardale undertook to pursue this;</p> <p>Regarding the Guild Wheel, it was understood that the original plan had included 'spokes' from the circuit to provide cycle access into the city – confirmation and further detail was sought. Mark Wardale undertook to look into this.</p>	<p>Andy Mullaney, Alasdair Simpson LCC</p>	<p>held in January</p> <p>I have sought further information on both these questions and will continue to provide further more information for the Forum when this is available</p> <p>However we are not confident that there will be any progress on negotiations with Network Rail on Vicars Bridge in the short term.</p> <p>There should be money allocated to the scheme in 2015/16 so we should be able to fund it though at this stage We are not optimistic that the scheme will happen next year. We cannot give a firm timetable as it is dependent on property negotiations.</p> <p>Virgin have applied to Dft for a grant to build a large cycle parking facility at the station and should hear whether their bid for a "cycle hub" at the railway station is successful or not before the end of March 2015. The Cycle Hub will provide parking for 100 to 150 bikes.</p> <p>From the City Deal perspective all the new and widened roads Preston Western Distributor, Penwortham Bypass, Broughton Bypass and A582 will have full off road cycle facilities as part of their design. Additionally the PT corridors in the City deal are being designed to include sustainable transport (including cycling) facilities</p>
<p>Fishergate Central Gateway</p>		

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<p>A number of issues were discussed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LCC is discussing taking targeted enforcement action on parking on Corporation Street in the evenings. • Mike Thorpe PCC will be discussing issues raised at next Taxi driver's enforcement meeting. • Fishergate Speed limit. Fishergate has been designed to be a slow road and 20mph signs are not being introduced. That would be too fast in most occasions and as we can't post anything less than 20mph legally, the design should keep the speeds down. Members commented that speeds were generally low and respected. • A boards do not need planning permission, as they are temporary structures, however we are working with businesses and BID to reduce their use. • Fishergate Phase 2; Members wished to be updated on plans for Phase 2 of this programme 	<p>Mark Wardale LCC</p>	<p>The second phase of the Fishergate scheme will be undertaken by the LCC in-house contracting team</p> <p>The reason this decision has been made is that the capacity and capability exists for them to undertake the works. It offers savings in the removal of the need for a tendering exercise and the ability to undertake it at an "at cost position".</p>

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		<p>Before this decision was made pre-qualification questionnaires (PQQ) were received from contractors, including Casey Ltd (the contractors who carried out the first phase) interested in undertaking the works. There is no feeling within the county council that the phase 1 contractor fell below an acceptable standard and based upon their submitted PQQ they would certainly have been included on a tender list for the next phase were the works to have been tendered. We have written to that contractor to confirm that our decision to carry out the work with our own team is not a reflection upon their performance or the standard of work they produced.</p>