

## **CALDERDALE DISTRICT CONSULTATION SUB-COMMITTEE**

**MEETING TO BE HELD AT 2.00 PM ON TUESDAY, 16 MARCH 2021  
DUE TO COVID-19, THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD REMOTELY AND  
WILL BE LIVESTREAMED HERE:**

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### **A G E N D A**

- 1. OPEN FORUM**  
Open session for members of the public to ask a question, raise a concern or provide feedback.
- 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 3. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS**  
Transport Committee members only.
- 4. EXEMPT INFORMATION - POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**
- 5. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 OCTOBER 2020**  
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- 6. CHAIR'S UPDATE**
- 7. INFORMATION REPORT**  
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- 8. OPERATOR UPDATES**
- 9. WORKSHOP SESSION - CONNECTIVITY INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN**  
(Pages 11 - 12)

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**Director, Transport Services  
West Yorkshire Combined Authority**



## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CALDERDALE DISTRICT CONSULTATION SUB-COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY, 13 OCTOBER 2020 AS A REMOTE MEETING

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### Present:

Councillor Daniel Sutherland (Chair)	Transport Committee
John Sheppard (Deputy Chair)	Public Representative
Councillor Peter Caffrey	Transport Committee
Myra James (Public Representative)	Public Representative
Richard Potter (Public Representative)	Public Representative
Geoff Wood (Public Representative)	Public Representative

### In attendance:

Edwin Swaris	West Yorkshire Combined Authority
Tom Bridge	First Group
Pete Myers	Arriva Rail North Limited
Richard Isaac	Arriva Rail North Limited
Dwayne Wells	Arriva Yorkshire
Ben Kearns	West Yorkshire Combined Authority

### 10. Open Forum

There were no questions from members of the public.

### 11. Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

### 12. Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of pecuniary interests at the meeting.

### 13. Exempt Information - Possible exclusion of the press and public

There were no items that required the exemption of the press and public.

### 14. Minutes of the meeting held on 15 October 2019

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 15 October 2019 be approved

## 15. Minutes of the Joint DCSC meeting held on 17 July 2020

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the joint DCSC meeting held on 17 July 2020 be noted.

## 16. Information Report

Members considered a report which set out various updates on transport issues in Calderdale.

Members made the following comments:

- That it was good to see that the plans for a new bus station in Halifax were progressing and had been approved by members of the Calderdale Council's Planning Committee.
- That the design of the bus station was improved, and the inclusion of a green roof was positive.
- That T J Walsh had ceased trading and tenders had been invited for the company's services and contracts had been awarded to Yorkshire Tiger and South Pennine Community Transport.
- That the service between Halifax and Keighley had been reintroduced and also a service between Brighouse, Rastrick, Elland and Halifax on Sundays which was a positive.
- That an application for Tranche 2 of the Emergency Active Travel Fund had been submitted and a response from Government was awaited.

**Resolved:** That the report be noted.

## 17. Operator Updates

Members were provided with the following operator updates.

Northern:

- Northern were in the process of putting together their December timetable.
- Strains on timetabling during pandemic due to illness, self – isolation. Timetables had been amended as staffing levels improved.
- Altering of patronage in that there was no discernible morning or evening peak.
- Currently at between 30 and 35 per cent of pre Covid patronage.
- Mask compliance generally good but can only be legally enforced by police.
- Introduced flexible season ticket to be trialled in West Yorkshire to respond to the working pattern post Covid.

Arriva

- Arriva patronage was at around 50% of pre-pandemic levels.
- That the service from Halifax to Keighley had proved popular

- Arriva clarified their ticketing offer in the form of the m-card which was flexible and allowed use across multiple officers.

First

- Patronage on First bus services had also reached about 50% of pre-pandemic levels.
- First had amended their app so it displayed the number of passengers on a bus to enable passengers to know how busy the bus was before they board.
- Mask compliance was generally high.
- A Member asked a question regarding the 549 dropping to an hourly service from half hourly. First would take the question away and respond.

**Resolved:** That the operator updates be noted.

## **18. Workshop Session - Carbon Reduction Pathways**

Information on the Carbon Reduction Pathways would be circulated separately to members.

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**Report to:** Calderdale District Consultation Sub Committee

**Date:** 16 March 2021

**Subject:** **Information Report**

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**Director(s):** Dave Pearson, Director of Transport Services

**Author(s):** Various

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## **1. Purpose of this report**

- 1.1 To update the sub-committee on matters of information relating to the Calderdale District.
- 1.2 Updates on regional and national issues are covered in the papers for Transport Committee, the latest set are available on the following link;  
[Transport Committee Meeting 12 March 2021](#)
- 1.3 A list of current projects in Calderdale District where there is current activity is provided at Appendix 1

## **2. Information**

### Halifax Bus Station

- 2.1 Pre-construction works have started on site in preparation for replacing the existing bus station with a new state-of-the art facility. Construction of the new bus station is planned to start on site in Summer 2021, and is likely to take 18 months.
- 2.2 During the construction period, most of the bus services will be taken out of the bus station to call instead at existing and temporary bus stops in Halifax Town Centre. Six bus stands will remain on the bus station site for bus services that approach over North Bridge, and for the school bus services.
- 2.3 Changes will be publicised via the Metro website and social media, local newspapers, through posters in the bus station and through local organisations and networks including the Society for the Blind and other local access groups.

## Bus Services

- 2.4 In line with government guidance, bus service levels have been constantly adapted throughout this pandemic.
- 2.5 Services are currently temporarily reduced, however bus operators started to reinstate service levels from 8 March. This initially focused on bringing Monday-Friday timetables back to normal levels so that all school journeys can be made. Some weekend services will remain reduced.
- 2.6 There will then be a further ramp up of services from 12 April when non-essential retail opens. This should then bring service levels back to normal.
- 2.7 It is recognised that the impact of COVID will have a longer term effect on patronage levels and therefore there is a risk to the viability of some services when COVID government funding is reduced/withdrawn. The Combined Authority is liaising with the Department for Transport to understand what funding will be available to help support the recovery of the bus network going forward.

## Active Travel - Emergency Active Travel Fund

- 2.8 West Yorkshire Combined Authority and our Partner Councils are working to deliver a wide ranging programme of proposals to create more space for cycling and walking, funded through the Department for Transport's Active Travel Fund.
- 2.9 The Combined Authority received notification in November 2020 that it had been awarded the full amount requested for Active Travel Fund – Tranche 2 schemes from DfT. Our Tranche 2 proposals set out a programme of temporary and permanent infrastructure delivery across West Yorkshire, supported by accompanying behaviour change activities to enable more people to make use of the new infrastructure.
- 2.10 A list of the proposed schemes is available on the Combined authority website: [emergency-active-travel-fund-programmes.pdf \(westyorks-ca.gov.uk\)](#)
- 2.11 A consultation plan has been developed in partnership with the districts and has been published on the Combined Authority website [active-travel-tranche-2-west-yorkshire-consultation-plan.pdf \(westyorks-ca.gov.uk\)](#)
- 2.12 Consultation activity will be undertaken over the next few months and feedback will be considered before construction work commences on a scheme. Details of the consultations will be added to [Your Voice](#).

## **3. Recommendations**

- 3.1 That the information report be noted.



**4. Background Documents**

4.1 None.

**5. Appendices**

5.1 None.

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## Calderdale – Current project activity (March 2021)

Project	Scheme Description	Key Information
Improved Streets for People - North Halifax	Cycle and walking infrastructure improvements, increasing active travel between N Halifax and town centre	Public consultation launch early March 21
Improved Streets for People – West Halifax	Cycle and walking infrastructure improvements, increasing active travel	Public consultation launch mid March 21
Urban Traffic Management Control	Integration of five District Urban Traffic Control Centres to a single cloud system  Integration of the five traffic management systems.	Started March 2020 Due to complete March 2021  Due to start March 2021 Due to complete March 2022
ULEV Taxi Scheme	88 rapid chargers for electric vehicles across the whole of West Yorkshire	Completion July 2021
Bradley to Brighouse (CityConnect)	Off highway active travel route linking Bradley and Brighouse	Currently in development. Due on site early 2022.
A629 Phase 1B	To deliver improvements to a section of the A629 to the south of Halifax town centre, focused around the existing Calder & Hebble highway junction that includes the A629 Huddersfield Road, Stainland Road and the A6026 Wakefield Road	Started early construction works as part of the Design and Build Programme whilst also concluding land acquisition. FBC+ Part 2 to be submitted Aug 2021.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Scheme Description</b>	<b>Key Information</b>
Halifax Station Gateway	This scheme is part of the wider Station Gateways programme to transform public realm, expand retail opportunities and improve passenger experiences. This scheme aims to construct a new station building that links to the current Grade II listed building, bring a disused platform back in to use, and relocate the car parking. The land in front of the station will also be redeveloped to enable walking and cycling access from the station into the town centre.	Consultation has just closed (Late Feb) for this scheme to which Motts are produce the report based on the survey submissions
A641	The A641 project will identify interventions across all transport modes for the A641 between Odsal Top in Bradford and Huddersfield Ring Road, and the A644 between Brighouse and M62 J25.	The A641 Scheme is currently out for pre-consultation with a further in-depth consultation taking place in the Summer 2021.
A58 Corridor	Corridor improvements to reduce congestion, improve reliability as part of the Corridor Improvement Programme	Due to start on site Winter 21/22, to complete Winter 23/24
A646 Corridor	Corridor improvements to reduce congestion, improve reliability as part of the Corridor Improvement Programme	Due to start on site Winter 21/22, to complete Winter 23/24
A629N Ogden to Orange Street Rdbt	Corridor improvements to reduce congestion, improve reliability as part of the Corridor Improvement Programme	Consultation due to be undertaken in June 21 about the scheme proposals



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**Report to:** Calderdale District Consultation Sub Committee

**Date:** 15 March 2021

**Subject:** **Workshop Session – Connectivity Infrastructure Plan**

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**Director(s):** Dave Pearson Director Transport Services

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## 1. Information

- 1.1 The [Connectivity Infrastructure Plan](#) sets out a long-term transport infrastructure investment programme for the next 20 years, providing a picture of where improvements are most needed to enhance people’s quality of life and bring investment to the area.
- 1.2 It is built on detailed evidence on the role different types of transport can play:
- [Mass Transit 2040 Vision](#) - a bold and ambitious plan for a new form of transport for West Yorkshire.
  - [West Yorkshire Strategic Bus Network Review](#) – a review of the region’s core bus network and proposals for increasing the number of people travelling by bus
  - [West Yorkshire Rail Vision](#)– Setting out how better rail services can support our ambitions for the region
  - [Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans](#) – Proposals to improve infrastructure and remove barriers to people walking and cycling for more journeys
  - [Future Mobility Strategy](#) – a review of how transport technology and innovation can improve lives and reduce carbon emissions
- 1.3 Engagement on the West Yorkshire Connectivity Infrastructure Plan is now underway: [www.yourvoice.westyorks-ca.gov.uk/connectivity](http://www.yourvoice.westyorks-ca.gov.uk/connectivity)
- 1.4 A presentation on the Connectivity Infrastructure Plan will be given at the meeting and member’s views will be sought on how we develop these proposals further.

2. **Recommendations**

2.1 That the Sub-Committee's feedback be noted.

3. **Background Documents**

None

4. **Appendices**

None