

# TRANSPORT & INFRASTRUCTURE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

# MEETING TO BE HELD AT 10.00 AM ON THURSDAY, 19 JANUARY 2023 IN CONFERENCE ROOM 1/2, WELLINGTON HOUSE, 40-50 WELLINGTON STREET, LEEDS, LS1 2DE

# AGENDA

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- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE To note apologies for absence and confirm the quorum of 11 members is met.
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS
- 3. POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC
- 4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 17 NOVEMBER 2022 (Pages 1 - 4)
- 5. CHAIR'S COMMENTS AND UPDATE
- 6. MAYOR'S QUESTION TIME (Pages 5 - 12)
- 7. TRANSPORT SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 13 - 22)
- 8. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING 9 MARCH 2023

Signed:

Managing Director West Yorkshire Combined Authority



# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TRANSPORT & INFRASTRUCTURE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2022 IN CONFERENCE ROOMS 1/2, WELLINGTON HOUSE, 40-50 WELLINGTON STREET, LEEDS, LS1 2DE

#### Present:

- Councillor Andrew Pinnock (Chair) Councillor Joanne Dodds Councillor Anna Watson Councillor Caroline Firth Councillor Tina Benton Councillor Dot Foster Councillor Mark Thompson Councillor Harry McCarthy Councillor Kayleigh Brooks Councillor Jessica Lennox Councillor Tony Hames Councillor Jackie Ferguson
- Kirklees Council City of Bradford Council City of Bradford Council City of Bradford Council Calderdale Council Calderdale Council Kirklees Council Kirklees Council Leeds City Council Leeds City Council Wakefield Council Wakefield Council

#### In attendance:

Noel Collings Helen Ellerton Matthew Page Dave Pearson Hannah Scales West Yorkshire Combined Authority West Yorkshire Combined Authority West Yorkshire Combined Authority West Yorkshire Combined Authority West Yorkshire Combined Authority

#### 1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Amanda Parsons-Hulse and Ian Cuthbertson.

The meeting was confirmed as quorate, with 12 members present out of 11 needed for quorum.

#### 2. Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests.

#### 3. Possible exclusion of the press and public

There were no items requiring the exclusion of the press and public.

# 4. Minutes of the meeting held on 22 September 2022

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 22 September 2022 be approved.



#### 5. Chair's comments and update

The Committee received a verbal update from the Chair. The Chair addressed his deputising as chair for the meeting.

**Resolved:** That the Chair's verbal update be noted.

#### 6. Decarbonisation

The Committee received a report which updated members on the Combined Authority's Decarbonisation programme, including an overview of the work pertaining to the carbon impact assessment. The Committee also received further detail verbally on appendices A and C of the Mott MacDonald report, linked but not included in the agenda pack.

#### Net Zero Targets and Carbon Impact Assessments:

- The net zero targets are different at different levels (WYCA 2038, Leeds City Council 2030, and National Government 2050) but all a common methodology for carbon impact assessment (CIA), across all schemes.
- The CA and the five authorities are attempting to align all carbon neutral work, despite the differences in targets.
- These are carried out by the scheme promoters and included in business cases at the appropriate decision point in the assurance process. The early stage of assessment is qualitative, in the second stage when the scheme if further developed the carbon emissions can then be quantified and confirmed.
- Concerns were expressed that the CIAs in the Mott Macdonald report appeared to show that carbon emissions had not been reduced to date.
- Officers reported many of the assessments did not consider things such as "induced impact traffic" that would have shown lower traffic and emissions over time.
- Officers confirmed that, according to analysis, the Combined Authority was on target to achieve the 2030 target – though a lot of work is still needed between then and now.
- The CA's Climate & Environment Committee is responsible for monitoring progress on net-zero targets and scrutiny can also be provided sight of these reports.
- Scrutiny members requested further information and data in future, for closer analysis by members, so they can see the challenges and progress areas for themselves, including data regarding the current emissions from the transport sector, the projections to 2030 as a result of policies and when the pathway will be decided.

#### Behaviour Change & Young People:

 In addition to work undergone by local authorities and the national government, every person in the region would ultimately have to be a part of any long-term reduction in carbon emissions through changed habits.



- The scrutiny committee had previously discussed behaviour change principles, such as gamification, last year and some of these are now in development at the CA as part of wider work, officers confirmed.
- Further information on this, building on the committee's previous discussions, can be shared, and revisited at a future date.

#### **Bus Service Quality and Transport Emissions:**

- Transport, roads, and cars is one of the biggest emitters of carbon in the region, at nearly half of all emissions.
- A reliable bus service which encourages people to use it is vital to reaching decarbonisation targets.
- Despite Combined Authority initiatives subsidising bus travel, as long as services remaining unreliable or are reduced on certain routes, patronage will not rise to the level needed to meet net zero targets.
- Bus services are still struggling and facing persistent issues with workforce and reduced patronage which has not been replaced following the pandemic.
- Other historic structural challenges in the bus network also remain and are exacerbated by the reduced income and investment from reduced patronage currently relying on central government funding, currently being renewed on six monthly basis following negotiation without a long-term guarantee.
- Wider work related to the Bus Service Improvement Plan is underway will continue to be monitored by the Transport Committee and scrutiny.
- The CA is intervening where it can, within a deregulated and commercially controlled bus network, for instance, to procure and roll out electric buses and other measures which seek to reduce the carbon footprint of bus services. The technology is still in its infancy but is progressing with time.

#### Energy Generation and Natural Environment:

- Members shared concerns with regards to the robustness of the power supply and its ability to sustain growing demand in the context of cleaner and more renewable energy sources and greater use of electric vehicle. Officers were assured by the National Grid that the system can withstand this increase in use.
- Offshore and onshore wind is the cheapest form of electricity to in principle, but currently the cost of wind and other cheaper sources are tied to the price of gas, which makes them more expensive in practice. Discussions have been taking place nationally to decouple renewable energy prices from gas in order to incentivise its uptake further.
- Some members also shared concerns with the definition of renewable energy, considering some power stations have reverted to burning wood which has a large carbon footprint and also affects the wider sustainability of the environment, as defined by the UN other goals related to natural environment, such as trees and animal habitats.

**Resolved:** That the report be noted, and the Committee's feedback, conclusions and requests for further information be considered further.



## 7. Transport and Infrastructure Scrutiny Work Programme

The Committee noted the Work programme for 2022/23. Members discussed the Mayor's Question Time (MQT), including the MQT Planning workshop scheduled for 20 December 2022, and reiterated the request made in the previous item for further information and sight of net-zero related activity. Members also discussed an intention to oversee and monitor the work of the main Transport Committee more closely in future.

**Resolved:** That the appended 2022/23 Work Programme be approved.

#### 8. Next meeting date – 19 January 2023

# Agenda Item 6



Report to:	Transport & Infrastructure Scrutiny Committee	
Date:	19 January 2023	
Subject:	Mayors Question Time	
Director:	Angela Taylor, Corporate and Commercial Services	
Author:	Hannah Scales, Scrutiny Support Officer	

#### 1. Purpose of this report

1.1 To introduce the Mayor's Question Time.

## 2. Information

- 2.1 Every year the Mayor of West Yorkshire is invited to each of the Combined Authority's scrutiny committees at least once to answer the Committee's questions, on any matter related to that committee's remit, in a public and livewebcast setting.
- 2.2 It is an opportunity for Scrutiny Members to hold the Mayor directly to account for the policies they adopt, the money they spend, the decisions they make, the services they are delivering and the outcomes they are achieving for the people of West Yorkshire.
- 2.3 The session will be divided into sections, each with a topic heading, which members can ask related questions on; every member will have the opportunity to speak and ask follow-up questions to their original question.
- 2.4 This session will aim to focus on the following transport/infrastructure-related areas, including:
  - Buses
  - Rail
  - Mass Transit
  - Net zero and decarbonisation
  - Active travel
- 2.5 The Mayor is permitted to invite relevant senior officers of the Combined Authority – such as the Chief Executive or a relevant Director – to join them at the session. This session will include the following officers:
  - Director of Transport & Passenger Services

- Acting Director of Transport Delivery & Policy
- Acting Head of Transport Policy
- 2.6 An extract of the minutes of the last Transport Scrutiny Mayors Question Time session at the Transport Scrutiny Committee, which took place on 20 January 2022, is attached for information.
- 2.7 This year the Mayor is scheduled to attend the following Mayor's Question Times at scrutiny committees:

Date	Committee	Time	Location
18 November 2022	Corporate Scrutiny	10am	Wellington House, Leeds
19 January 2023	Transport Scrutiny	10am	Wellington House, Leeds
15 March 2023	Economy Scrutiny	10am	Wellington House, Leeds

# 3. Tackling the Climate Emergency Implications

3.1. There are no climate emergency implications directly arising from this report.

# 4. Inclusive Growth Implications

4.1. There are no inclusive growth implications directly arising from this report.

# 5. Equality and Diversity Implications

5.1. There are no equality and diversity implications directly arising from this report.

# 6. Financial Implications

6.1. There are no financial implications directly arising from this report.

# 7. Legal Implications

7.1. There are no legal implications directly arising from this report.

# 8. Staffing Implications

8.1. There are no staffing implications directly arising from this report.

# 9. External Consultees

9.1. No external consultations have been undertaken.

# 10. Recommendations

10.1 To question the Mayor of West Yorkshire, Tracy Brabin, on matters pertaining to the remit of the Transport & Infrastructure Scrutiny Committee.

# 11. Background Documents

None.

# 12. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Notes of Transport Scrutiny Mayors Question Time – 20 January 2022

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# Notes of Informal Consultative Meeting of the Transport Scrutiny Committee (Mayor's Question Time) Meeting held on 20 January 2022 via Zoom

Agenda Item 6

Appendix 1

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#### Item 1 – Welcome and apologies

Attendees (15): Councillors Mohsin Hussain, Ruth Wood, Peter Clarke, Peter Caffrey, Amanda Parsons-Hulse, Dot Foster, Donald Firth, Yusra Hussain, Anthony Smith, Robert Finnigan, Paul Wray, Sharon Hamilton, Harry Ellis, David Jones (substitute), Stephen Fenton.

Apologies (1): Councillor Jackie Ferguson.

In attendance: Tracy Brabin (Mayor), Dave Pearson, Helen Ellerton, Khaled Berroum, Hannah Scales

#### Item 2 – Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None.

#### Item 3 – Possible exclusion of the press and public

None.

#### Item 4 – Minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 2021

Minutes were agreed as an accurate record.

#### Item 5 – Chairs comments and update

The Chair updated Members on the recent meetings of Scrutiny Chairs Steering Group where a system for project scrutiny was discussed, including criteria to prioritise projects for scrutiny in future. The Chairs welcomed any ideas or comments.

The Chair also informed Members of the 'Motorbike Live' event she attended in December and discussed how motorbikes could better be considered in future transport strategising and planning as a possible topic of further enquiry for the committee.

#### Item 6 – Transport network and projects update

The Chair briefly introduced the information report and invited Members to ask any questions. Clarification was sought about emergency timetables and reduced bus services and it was explained that the situation was fast-moving there was a possibility of bus companies reducing services due to the decreased patronage if funding was not secured. Updates would be provided when known.

#### Item 7 – Transport Scrutiny Work Programme

Members were reminded of the next meeting due to be held on 10 March 2022 and one of the key items being behaviour change, based on the committee's deliberations this year so far.

#### Item 8 – Mayor's Question Time, Tracy Brabin

The Chair welcomed and thanked the Mayor Tracy Brabin for attending and outlined the format of the Mayor's Question Time. The session would be split into pre-agreed topic areas and members could ask any questions under those topic areas in turn.

The topic areas were:

- Mayoral and Combined Authority transport powers
- Buses
- Mass Transit and connectivity
- Rail
- Active Travel

Following questions and discussion took place:

- Mayoral and Combined Authority's powers: Members noted that although the Mayor had some direct powers, relatively she had more soft power than direct. Mayors across the regions work together through the M8 and M10 groups to pool 'soft power' influence and leverage relationships in parliament and government to influence policy and decisions and secure funding. The Mayor also works alongside the 5 local council leaders and considers herself "one of a group of six" part of a collective approach, as expressed in the CA's governance structure. Members discussed which additional transport powers the Mayor might need going forward such as powers around climate change and electric bus fleet management, as well as possible rail and road powers.
- **Buses:** The FlexiBus ("demand led" bus service) pilot in East Leeds was discussed along with the importance of ensuring access to buses for people in all areas of West Yorkshire. The Mayor outlined how the Bus Service Improvement Plan planned to support West Yorkshire's rural communities, although an announcement on funding for the BSIP was still awaited. It was hoped in the meantime that the Enhanced Partnership would give the Combined Authority more insight and opportunity to influence bus companies to provide a reliable and desirable service.

The government and the Combined Authority supported bus companies during the pandemic to keep services running. The government had yet to announce how funding would continue after March and as a result bus companies are planning ahead, with possible reductions in timetabled services due to uncertainty. The Mayor confirmed she had written to bus operators about this.

It was noted that travel behaviours have changed since the pandemic and long-term impact is still being analysed. The pandemic reduced journeys, but patronage had returned back to approximately 80% of pre-pandemic patronage before the Omicron variant. This means that demand is still there initiatives such as free bus Sunday, the £1 boxing day offer and cheaper summer tickets for young people had helped in that.

Inclusivity in the network was noted as being crucial and Members noted the Network Navigation Project, including real time navigation screens on bus stops across West Yorkshire. Printed timetables (removed as a result of Covid-19) were due to be reinstalled. Audio-visual information on all buses and of the telephone contact centre available for people who prefer speaking to a real person regarding buses were other changes. Improvements such as investment in 'tap in, tap out' payment systems, the disparity of pricing across the region and extra bus priority lanes mitigating delays caused by traffic were discussed. The Mayor acknowledged the challenges in having a network focusing on a core city such as Leeds and Members were informed that Leeds specific transport funding awarded by government 5 years ago was the reason for the seemingly large number of Leeds-focused schemes being delivered compared to the other areas. The mass transit and connectivity plans hoped to bridge current gaps in connecting more areas to the network.

- Mass Transit: It was noted that Leeds and by extension WY as an urban area was the only city in Europe that doesn't have a mass transit system. Funding for a Mass Transit system was contained within the current government's manifesto and the Combined authority was given £200 million to begin work on this, following consultation and public engagement. It is key that the plan is future proof and that each individual locality had the best mode of transport for the area to enable seamless routes. The proposed mass transit system is going to the CA in March for approval. Members noted that the Mayor had written to ministers to emphasise long term nature of the project and the need for funding commitments so that future mayors and local governments could see it through to completion.
- **Rail:** The cancellation of HS2 and HS3, and its impact on the whole region and Bradford in particular, was discussed and the Mayor explained that she had written to ministers expressing disappointment at the decision and work was underway to assess the full impact and identify mitigations. Region-wide rail station accessibility and inclusivity concerns were discussed as proof of the necessity of investment in rail station infrastructure after years of seeming neglect. The Mayor expressed her support for electrification of the Calder Valley line had written to ministers but had not yet received a response.
- Active Travel: The importance of active travel was discussed as being vital to meet climate targets, though it was acknowledged that areas with varying typography can be more challenging to adapt for inclusive active travel. Some members detailed their experience with consultations on transport schemes and discussed the need to incentivise earlier and wider public and member participation in consultations in future. Behaviour change was identified as key to any success in this area and some ideas included investment in pavement markers and safer segregated cycle lanes.

#### Next meeting date - 10 March 2022, venue to be confirmed

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# Agenda Item 7



Report to:	Transport and Infrastructure Scrutiny Committee		
Date:	19 January 2023		
Subject:	Transport and Infrastructure Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23		
Director:	Angela Taylor, Director of Corporate & Commercial Services		
Author:	Hannah Scales, Scrutiny Support Officer		

## 1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 To note the Transport and Infrastructure Scrutiny Work Programme for 2022/23.
- 1.2 To consider any additional agenda items, formal referrals to scrutiny, reviews, call in, and any other tasks, issues or matters the Committee resolves to undertake or consider further.
- 2. Information

# Transport and Infrastructure Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23

- 2.1 The Work Programme (**Appendix 1**) is set at the beginning of the year and considered at each meeting where it can be amended and changed as the year progresses. It outlines the work the Transport and Infrastructure Scrutiny Committee has agreed to undertake, investigate, and focus on in the municipal year (June 2022 June 2023) within the resources, remit, and powers available.
- 2.2 At the September meeting the Committee agreed to bring the decarbonisation item to this meeting (17 November), bring back the Bus Service Improvement Plan (and real time information) to a future meeting, and consider workshops on active travel and bus service cuts. It was also suggested that the committee consider workshops receiving updates on mass transit and rail reforms.

# **Referrals to scrutiny**

2.3 Under Scrutiny Standing Order 7, any Scrutiny Member, any Combined Authority Member, or any elected Member of a West Yorkshire council (or the City of York Council) may formally refer a matter to the Committee for consideration. The referral must be in writing to the Statutory Scrutiny Officer. The Committee must then consider and discuss the referral and respond to the referrer explaining whether it will consider the matter further and why.

2.4 There are no formal referrals for this committee to consider.

# Key decisions and call in

- 2.5 Scrutiny members may call in any decision of the Mayor, Combined Authority, a decision-making committee, and any key decisions taken by an officer (with the exception of urgent decisions). Key decisions are defined as any decision incurring a financial cost or saving of £1 million or more, or a decision likely to have a significant effect on two or more wards.
- 2.6 Decision-makers have two days to publish notice of a decision, at which point scrutiny members have five working days to call in the decision, delaying its implementation, and formally requiring the decision maker to reconsider.
- 2.7 Any five members of a scrutiny Committee including at least one member from two different constituent councils (West Yorkshire) – may call-in a decision by notifying the Statutory Scrutiny Officer in writing by 4.00 pm on the fifth working day following publication of a decision notice. The relevant scrutiny committee then has 14 days to scrutinise the decision and make recommendations. Further information is set out in Scrutiny Standing Order 14.
- 2.8 The latest key decisions and forward plans of key decisions are published and available for viewing on the <u>key decisions section of the Combined Authority's</u> <u>website</u>.

# Membership

2.8 There have been no changes in membership since the last meeting.

# **Actions for Scrutiny Officers**

2.9 As outlined in Scrutiny Standing Order 17, scrutiny officers provide support to a scrutiny committee's work programme and all scrutiny members in exercising their scrutiny duties and fulfilling their objectives.

# 3. Tackling the Climate Emergency Implications

3.1 There are no climate emergency implications directly arising from this report.

# 4. Inclusive Growth Implications

4.1 There are no inclusive growth implications directly arising from this report.

#### 5. Financial Implications

5.1 There are no financial implications directly arising from this report.

# 6. Legal Implications

6.1 There are no legal implications directly arising from this report.

# 7. Staffing Implications

7.1 There are no staffing implications directly arising from this report.

# 8. External Consultees

8.1 No external consultations have been undertaken.

## 9. Recommendations

9.1 To note or amend the Transport and Infrastructure Scrutiny Work Programme for 2022/23.

# 10. Background Documents

Key Decision Forward Plans – 2022/23

## 11. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Joint Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23

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# Scrutiny Work Programmes 2022/23

# Summary of main topics and meeting dates

Committee	Topic areas	Meetings	
Corporate	<ul> <li>Inflation, Budget and Gainshare</li> <li>Assurance Framework</li> <li>Staffing (incl recruitment &amp; retention)</li> <li>Accomodation and other corporate projects (incl ICS, Cyber Security, social value in procurement)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>23 September 2022</li> <li>18 November 2022 (Mayors Question Time)</li> <li>20 January 2023</li> <li>10 March 2023</li> </ul>	
Transport & Infrastructure	<ul> <li>Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP)</li> <li>Active Travel</li> <li>Decarbonisation and Behaviour Change</li> <li>Freight, Waterways &amp; Rail</li> <li>Consultation and Planning</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>22 September 2022</li> <li>17 November 2022</li> <li>19 January 2023 (Mayors Question Time)</li> <li>9 March 2023</li> </ul>	
Economy	<ul> <li>The state of the region's economy</li> <li>Cost of Living crisis</li> <li>Skills and the Adult Education Budget</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>21 September 2022</li> <li>16 November 2022</li> <li>18 January 2023</li> <li>15 March 2023 (Mayors Question Time)</li> </ul>	
All Committees	<ul><li>Mayors Pledges</li><li>Work Programme</li></ul>		

# **Corporate Scrutiny Committee**

Meetings	Topics	Attendees	Objectives
23 September 2022	Inflation & Budgets	Director of Corporate	Discuss the impact of inflation on strategy, projects and finances and what plans and measures are in place to mitigate the issue.
	Update – Social Value in Procurement	Head of Procurement	Update (from March 2022 meeting): to better understand the principles, practice and examples of social value in procurement and suppliers.
18 November 2022	Mayor's Question Time	Mayor Tracy Brabin & Chief Executive	Question the Mayor on matters pertaining to corporate scrutiny since her last attendance in November 2021.
20 January 2023	Budget, Business Planning And Workforce 2023/24	Director of Corporate Director of Delivery	Expand on the discussion at the November 2022 Workshop. Scrutinise the draft budget 2023/24, especially with regards to risk management, safeguards and 'Plan Bs' with regards to expected inflation and economic conditions.
	Update - Assurance Framework	Head of Portfolio Management	Consider changes to the Assurance Framework during its annual review, especially with regards to current economic pressures on capital projects.
10 March 2023	Wellington House Refurbishment Project	Director of Corporate Director of Delivery	Using the accomodation project as a case study into the authority's project management performance and principles – and consider whether the project achieved its goals, added value and performed well.
	Update – Integrated Corporate System	Director of Corporate Director of Delivery	Update (from March 2022): on project development and progress
	Update – Cyber Security	Head of ICT	Update (from March 2022): on developments and progress
Workshops (dates TBC)	Workforce and staffing	Head of HR	Receive update on staffing issues since March 2022 and determine scope of January 2023 meeting's discussion.
(4466 126)	Budget and Gainshare	Head of Finance	Consider budget 23/24 and Gainshare plans – with particular attention to inflation and economic conditions and risk management.

# **Transport & Infrastructure Scrutiny Committee**

Meetings	Topics	Attendees	Objectives
22 September 2022	Update – Bus Service Improvement Plan (with focus on real time information)	Director of Transport Operations and Passenger Experience & RTI System Manager  Dr Ben Hanson, Leeds University	Monitor progress of Bus Service Improvement Plan (since November 2021) with particular attention to Flexi Bus Scheme and Real Time Information systems.
17 November 2022	Decarbonisation	Director of Transport Operations and Passenger Experience & Head of Transport Policy Poss: Delivery, Strategy officers  Mott Macdonald report authors	<ul> <li>Understand and identify</li> <li>1. issues raised in the Mott Macdonald report and what has changed since, in terms of actions and strategies.</li> <li>2. CA's direct purview/control and what can it influence indirectly.</li> <li>3. possible solutions, including strategic gaps in CA decarbonisation activity e.g. waterways and inland ports, rail freight, PLVs/e-bikes, motorbikes, etc.</li> </ul>
19 January 2023	Mayor's Question Time	Mayor Tracy Brabin & Chief Executive	Question the Mayor on matters pertaining to transport and infrastructure scrutiny since her last attendance in January 2022.
9 March 2023	Consultations and Planning	Interim Director, Transport Policy and Delivery	Review consultation and planning processes and whether they sufficiently consider transport links and infrastructure, and whether they take into account the views of residents (especially on active travel)
	Update – Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP)	Director of Transport Operations and Passenger Experience	Update (since September 2022): on improvement of real time information system accuracy, engagement with bus companies on data and service cuts, and future of bus funding.
Workshops or other updates (dates TBC)	Bus Service reductions	Director of Transport Operations and Passenger Experience	Consider the impact of funding and the changing commercial environment on bus service provision and plans to lessen the impact on residents
	Update – Mass Rapid Transit (MRT) and Rail Reforms	Interim Director, Transport Policy and Delivery	Update (since March 2022): on plans to develop mass transit system for WY and impact and progress of rail reforms

Active Travel	Interim Director, Transport Policy and Delivery	Update on active travel progress and plans, with particular attention on disability access, consultations and public opinion, and e-bikes
Behaviour Change	Interim Director, Transport Policy and Delivery	<ul> <li>Expand on Behaviour Change session at March 2022 meeting and discuss progress and plans on decarbonisation and active travel, including: <ul> <li>Carbon emission targets</li> <li>'Low Traffic Neighbourhoods',</li> <li>'the last mile'</li> <li>possibility and accessibility of e-bikes</li> <li>Active travel</li> <li>'Nudge Unit' and 'Tyndall Manchester' research on influencing behaviour change</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Decarbonisation	Interim Director, Transport Policy and Delivery	Follow up on issues raised and information requested at 17 November meeting

# **Economy Scrutiny Committee**

Meetings	Topics	Attendees	Objectives
21 September 2022	Update – The state of the economy and cost of living crisis	Head of Economic Policy Research & Intelligence	Update on the state of the economy and cost of living crisis, with some attention to impact of Brexit, inflation, cost of living crisis, and skills.
16 November 2022	Adult Education Budget (AEB) and Labour Market Assessment	Head of Employment and Skills Research & Intelligence Head of Economic Policy	Explore current labour conditions and how new powers and funding from the Adult Education Budget (AEB) meets the short term and long term needs – with particular focus on if AEB to FE providers has been well spent, what success looks like and how we compare to other regions.
18 January 2023	Economic Strategy	Interim Director of Economic Services	Talk about economic strategy.
	Business Spaces and Enterprise Zones		Business space/ enterprise zones – the current data on business land and availability plus research on enterprise zones. Key sectors, history and background on enterprise zone and its current status.
15 March 2023	Mayor's Question Time	Mayor Tracy Brabin & Chief Executive	Question the Mayor on matters pertaining to economy scrutiny since her last attendance in March 2022.
Workshops (dates TBC)	TBC		Consider whether the £6 million of capital grants to manufacturers (for procurement of machinery etc.) is giving a tangible return on the investment.

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