

## ATAF 22 October 2019

### Aix En Provence Room, Guildhall 6pm to 8pm

**Attendees:** Cllr Joanna Wright, Alison Sherwin (BANES), Neil Terry (BANES), Justin Reeve (BANES), Alasdair Yule (BANES), Mandy Bishop (BANES), Cllr Sue Craig, Frank Tompson (Two Tunnels Group), Steven Little (Bath Bus Users Group/Cycle Bath), Mary Young (Bath Ramblers), Nigel Sherwen (FOBRA), Jon Usher (Sustrans), Mark Minkley (BANES), Adam Reynolds (Cycle Bath), Paula Spiers (BANES); Gabe Fisher (Cycle Bath); Cllr Ruth Malloy; John Taylor, Bryn Jones (Transition Larkhall), Gillian Risbridger (Living Streets), Ken Ayres (BERA)

#### 1. The previous minutes were agreed.

#### 2. Modeshift STARS presentation –Alasdair Yule

AR – Bathampton has a school street? JW – Not officially, signage in place but not a legally enforceable situation. AR – can school streets be implemented? AY – Bristol is trialling school streets, but requires extensive officer time. JW – under Climate Emergency, schools have been called together on 3 December to encourage schools to declare climate emergency. Working on collecting data to enable better planning with public transport etc. JT – how many schools engaged? AY – [numbers?] Walking bus toolkit also available to schools without officer support. MY – what secondary schools engagement takes place? AY – focus on primary schools at present, but looking at working with passenger transport team for future opportunities. Youth Travel Ambassadors programme might be a way forward. MY – Beechen Cliff school travel plan, high number of teachers drive. SL – Can schools do more to encourage car sharing? AY – schools may be able to, but would encourage non-car options where possible. JU – schools under pressure, can schools be pooled for buying resources? AY – looking at this for the future JU – Sustrans can provide help.

#### 3. Schemes update – Alison Sherwin

Churchill Gyratory -JT would this incorporate pavement cycling? AS – yes. JW – This is an important scheme. JG – must retain space for pedestrians. JW – notes presentation by Prof Parkin and work on conflict between pedestrians/cyclists.

Mulberry Park – JW has cycled route with Ward Councillors; looking at this route further.

Upper Bristol Road – SC where is proposed crossing point at Destructor Bridge? AS – this is delayed until recycling centre closed. **JW – will look into this.** SL – is the best location for cycle crossing, not on ideal desire line. JU – position of tactiles gives acute angle; could access be widened. JT – no safe route to access Victoria Park. JW – will look at location personally. FT – While the upgrade of the crossing was welcomed it appears to narrow the road with the result that any cyclist will be pushed out into traffic. Much more import on this road is, at minimum, the need to install wand orchas on the cycle lane to make it safer for cyclists. FT volunteered to assist in taking this item forward. **JU – example of offset crossing from Bristol; will send photos.**

Post meeting comment SC: A lot of pedestrians cross the road here - there is general pedestrian traffic that has cut through from the Lower Bristol road but also, people crossing for access to the park entrance. When the destructor bridge is opened the traffic will be one way south to north which will make this junction much busier – not sure a pedestrian refuge is enough?

Locksbrook Bridge FT – Highlighted that the dive study is the final piece of the jigsaw in the feasibility report for the bridge, essential to the delivery of the Strategic Transport Route (STR). FT had asked Cllr Butters to assist in hastening Highways England (HRE) to conduct the study.

Monmouth Street SC – widening of footway is long ambition. Broader re-design required to address wider issues, including theatre access. FT – Proposed that wider consideration and a fresh look was required to the Seven Dials project, and volunteered to assist in doing so.

Keynsham school route – AS trial of continuous footway. KA notes Cleveland Place west, third exit raised table ineffective.

Keynsham Station Road roundabout MM – notes public realm improvements could assist, meeting taking place in Keynsham in November.

Chew Valley Lake – JW Bristol Water supportive of route. MM Natural England also on board. BW, Council and West of England Rural Network working together to deliver funding bid application.

#### **4. LCWIP Update Alison Sherwin**

Anticipated consultation October delayed; now expected in new year. Will confirm consultation process details.

**JW – Can JLTP4 be added as an agenda item for future meetings.**

#### **5. Additional scheme updates from Mark Minkley**

NS- will include crossing on London Road? MM not planned, but other improvements will facilitate future links. JW – London Road very difficult to address, other ideas more positive to look at.

#### **6. Future of ATAF**

JW – title of group misleading. Does it reflect priorities of Climate Emergency. Proposes Zero Carbon Travel Forum to reflect changed priorities. What is groups views?

FT – new title doesn't reflect what group is meant to deliver.

JG – supports having a new title.

MY – New to group. Title needs changing, but a lot wrong with way the group functions. Proposes new terms of reference be developed through group exercise. Danger of making group too large to be manageable.

BJ – Carbon-free Mobility.

JW – next meeting should focus on mind-mapping exercise to create future terms of reference.

JU – should have extra-ordinary meeting in December.

**JR - to arrange Early Dec 5pm-7pm.**

JU – should have an impartial facilitator.

#### **7. AOB**

MY – Towpath access. **To send details of issue by email to JR, will pass on to MM for river partnership team.**

BJ – can a priority list for small scale improvements be developed for quick wins.

NS – changes to on-road markings for cycle lanes. Government has allowed changes for parking in a mandatory cycle lane. JW – taking to WECA to pressure central government.

JU – extension to Access Fund, what activities are taking place to plan for future funding opportunities.