

TAYSIDE AND CENTRAL SCOTLAND TRANSPORT PARTNERSHIP

Minute of Meeting of the Tayside and Central Scotland Transport Partnership held in the Grampian Room, The Quality Hotel, Leonard Street, Perth on Tuesday 16 January 2007 at 1.30pm.

Present: Councillors K Ritchie and D Selfridge (Angus Council); Councillors G Reegan (as substitute for Councillor F Grant); K Keenan and R Wallace (Dundee City Council); Councillors A Livingstone, J Hulbert and J Mair (Perth and Kinross Council); Councillors G Thomson and J Paterson (Stirling Council); R Andrew, M Duffy, Professor M Horner, and B Wright (Members).

In Attendance: E Guthrie (Director), M Scott (Travel Plan Officer); E Lawson (Angus Council); M Galloway and N Gardiner (Dundee City Council); R Bean, A Dean, G Taylor and V Goldthorp (Perth and Kinross Council); L Goodfellow and C Bell (Stirling Council); N Farrell (Scottish Executive); L Morgan (CDU Limited).

Councillor Livingstone, Chairperson, Presiding.

Prior to commencement of business the Convener welcomed Merry Scott, Travel Plan Officer to the Partnership and congratulated Councillor Gillie Thompson who had received an OBE in the New Year's Honours List.

1. APOLOGIES

Apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor F Grant.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made in terms of The Code of Conduct.

3. MINUTE OF MEETING OF 19 DECEMBER 2006

The Minute of Meeting of the Partnership of 19 December 2006 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

4. REGIONAL TRANSPORT STRATEGY; APPROVAL OF DRAFT FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION

There was submitted a report by the Regional Transport Strategy Steering Group (RTP/07/03) seeking the Partnership's approval to the Draft Regional Transport Strategy and arrangements for public consultation.

Resolved:

- (i) The Draft Regional Transport Strategy for public consultation as detailed in report RTP/07/03, amended to reflect comments by Board Members at the preceding Regional Transport Strategy Workshop, be approved.

- (ii) The programme for public consultation on the Draft Regional Transport Strategy as detailed in report RTP/07/03 be approved.
- (iii) A progress report on the public consultation be provided at the next meeting of Partnership on 20 February 2007.
- (iv) The considerable efforts of staff on the Steering Group in preparation of the Draft Regional Transport Strategy be commended.

5. CONSULTATIONS ON REGIONAL TRANSPORT STRATEGIES

There was submitted a report by the Director (RTP/07/05) seeking agreement to proposed responses to consultations by the other Regional Transport Partnerships on their Draft Regional Transport Strategies.

Resolved:

- (i) The responses to consultations by the other Regional Transport Partnerships on their Draft Regional Transport Strategies as detailed in the Appendix to report RTP/07/05 be approved, an additional comment to SPT regarding the A82 Improvements, around Loch Lomond, that the SPT should have regard to environmental issues highlighted by the Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Authority.
- (ii) It be remitted to the Director to respond in accordance with (i) above.

6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There was submitted a report by the Director (RTP/07/04) detailing progress on various matters of relevance to the work of the Partnership.

Resolved:

- (i) The report on Governance Issues and Policies be submitted to the Partnership meeting on 20 February 2007.
- (ii) A comprehensive report on the proposed 2007/08 Revenue Budget be submitted to the Partnership meeting on 20 February 2007.
- (iii) The proposed requirement that Regional Transport Partnership's publish a Disability Equality Scheme by December 2007 be supported.
- (iv) The proposed transfer of Scottish Executive funding for Demand Responsive Transport to Regional Transport Partnerships from 2008/09 be noted and a further report be submitted to a future meeting of the Partnership.
- (v) The Partnership otherwise noted the contents of the Report.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting be held on 20 February 2007 at 10.30 am in the Salutation Hotel, Perth.