

MINUTES OF MEETING

MEETING SUBJECT	ADEPT Transport & Connectivity Board	MEETING DATE	12 March 2021
RECORDED BY	Anushia Vettivelu	TIME	10:00 -13:00
		VENUE	TEAMs

ATTENDEES PRESENT	<p>Mark Kemp (MK) (CHAIR)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adrian Gray (AG) • Adrian Davis (AD) • Aideen Young (AY) • Andrew Jones (AJ) • Andrew Murray (AM) • Andy Cope (AC) • Ann Carruthers (ACA) • Anushia Vettivelu (AV) • Ceren Clulow (CC) • Clive Thomson (CT) • David Boyer (DB) • David Davies (DD) • Gary Bartlett (GB) • Giles Perkins (GP) • Graham Parkhurst (GPH) • Hannah Bartam (HB) • Ian Ahurch (IA) • Jill Hayden (JHA) • Jamie Hlland (JH) • John Lamb (JL) • John Kelly (JK) • Kamal Panchal (KP) • Karl Rands (KR) • Kevin Hargreaves (KH) • Matthew Eglinton (ME) • Paul Crick (PC) • Paul Copeland (PC) • Paul Fermer (PF) • Paul Rusted (PR) • Pam Turton (PT) • Philip Heseltine (PH) • Rob Krzyszowski (RK) • Sarah Spink (SS) • Shona Butter (SB) • Stephen Fidler (SF)
APOLOGIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geoff Pickford • Keith Wilcox • Mark Tilley • Ruth Du-Lieu • Sarah Turnbull

ITEM		BY WHO	ACTION WHEN
1 & 2	Welcome and Apologies, minutes of last meeting & matters arising	MK	Agreed
3	<p><u>Updates from National Organisations</u></p> <p>Department for Transport – Stephen Fiddler</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decarbonisation Plan is likely to be published after May 2021 • Highway Maintenance funding allocated to authorities is lower than authorities would have expected • Levelling Up Fund – Local Authorities (at District Level) have been allocated into three bands based on their levelling up need, the outcomes will be weighted more towards ‘Place’ in the top band. Any bid can include transport if consent has been provided from the relevant Highway or Transport Authority and there is a delivery arrangement in place. <p>Questions</p> <p>MK – Authorities need an understanding of what a strong bid needs to include particularly those from a band three</p> <p>Answer: Specific guidance will be made available soon however the expectation is that a strong economic case and why this will deliver benefits will be required.</p> <p>Department for Transport – Dr Jill Hayden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project on providing guidance to local authorities to help open/share/exploit transport data • The evidence review has been undertaken, the next phase is to understand user needs and issues which the guidance needs to address. • Requesting input from ADEPT to provide support - National Traffic Managers Forum and Traffic Systems Working Group to initially engage. <p>Local Government Association - Kamal Panchal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leadership of Disruptive Change – specifically on active travel with longer term thinking on what help authorities will need due to the changes expected over the coming years • Engaging with colleagues about potentially undertaking a review of EV charging infrastructure to consider the gap in Government’s 2030 and 2050 targets and the expected role of local government <p>Association of Transport Co-ordinating Officers</p> <p>No Update</p>	NTMF & TSWG	March/ April
4.	<p><u>Updates from Working Groups</u></p> <p>Mk Welcomed new Group Chairs – Shona Butter and Ceren Clewlow and thanked Paul Newark and Nichola Macoy-Brown for all their work as previous chairs of their respective groups.</p>		

	<p>The National Traffic Managers Forum – Kevin Hargreaves</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerns delivering DfT's Active Travel Fund, Tranche 1 and 2 schemes particularly with resourcing and local pressure towards low traffic neighbourhoods. Several Tranche 1 schemes have had to be removed E-Scooter trials are continuing for several authorities – no issues have been particularly raised TfL are looking into options for Cargo bikes to replace/reduce types of construction vehicles in London. <p>The Rights of Way Working Group – Shona Butter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A joint survey with ADEPT/IPROW has been completed with 77 authorities, analysis of the results is being completed - feedback will be provided in due course. Consultation is being undertaken on the new draft guidance for managing level crossing safety. A new project has emerged entitled ' <i>In All Our Footsteps: Tracking, Mapping and Experiencing Rights of Way in Post-War Britain, 2021 to 2024.</i>' (HB) contacting the group for further information. Next meeting for RoW is on 25th March 2021. <p>The Road Safety Working Group - Paul Copeland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued disappointment there is no lead on casualty reduction targets which is creating a disjointed approach from authorities Stats 19 review should be recommencing in Spring Next meeting for Road Safety is on 11th May 2021. <p>The Traffic Systems Working Group – Adrian Gray</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerns and ongoing issues with SIDs and speed limit reminder signs – once manufactured it appears that testing of devices are not being done, products are then being offered onto the public road <p>Questions posed to ADEPT</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Does ADEPT have a position if we should be using speed limit reminder signs or SIDs What advice should we be giving to those procuring these signs <p>A challenge paper to be considered in response to the questions raised</p> <p>The Digital Connectivity Group - Ceren Clulow</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Digital Connectivity Group met February 2021 and were given a presentation by Gigatech on how to achieve take up from delivered gigabit. UK 5G presented on the health/anti 5G attacks and what the Government is planning to do to avoid or stop these attacks. 	<p>HB</p> <p>HB/AG</p>	<p>March/ April</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Campaign for Aging Better - Dr Aideen Young</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation attached <p>Sustrans: "Understanding the barriers and enablers of active travel among people in mid-life" – Adrian Davis</p>		

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6.	<p>ADEPT SMART Places Live Labs Programme: an update - Giles Perkins</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation attached
7.	<p>CRAFTeD: Project on freight decarbonisation - Professor Graham Parkhurst</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation attached
8.	<p>National infrastructure Strategy – Andrew Jones</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The National Infrastructure Assessment is published every 5 years, the currently assessment is was undertaken in 2018 and the next will be published in 2023. The Government is obliged to respond to the assessments detailing their views, how they are going to implement and if not outlining their reasons why not. • Annual monitoring reports have been completed https://nic.org.uk/app/uploads/170221-NIC-Annual-Monitoring-Report-2021-Final-Web-Vrsn.pdf • There are four objectives to determine if the Government is on 'track' to deliver projects <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The long-term perspective for infrastructure 2. There are clear, measurable and published goals for infrastructure provision 3. Funding is sufficient to deliver goals 4. The Government is committed to change/do things differently • The Chancellor has set a new study to investigate infrastructure in towns - considering how infrastructure investment can support economic prosperity and quality of life. • There are three pathways for growth that infrastructure can bring; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Infrastructure can unlock constraints to growth 2. For a town that is economically depressed, is infrastructure the right investment to unlock transformation 3. Should there be a minimum standard of infrastructure that all places have access to enable a good quality of life for residents. • As part of the remit, the study has been tasked to provide a workable definition of a 'Town' <p>https://nic.org.uk/news/new-study-on-infrastructure-in-towns/</p>
9.	AOB
	Date of Next Meeting – 11th June 2021 (VIA TEAMS)