

Stratford upon Avon Town Transport Group [TTG]

Minutes from a meeting at 9.30am - 11.30am

on Thursday 9 October 2025 by Zoom

Present: Steve Albon, John Deegan, Elizabeth Dixon *Secretary*, Lorraine Grocott, Mark Haselden, Richard Lees, Kate Rolfe, Louisa Slator, Colin Stewart *Chair*, Steve Turner.

Circulated to Members of the TTG and

WCC Councillors: George Finch, Interim Leader; Edward Harris, Chair; Jennifer Warren Transport Portfolio Holder; Stuart Green, Cabinet Support for Transport.

WCC Officers: Mark Ryder, Strategic Director for Communities; David Ayton-Hill, Assistant Director Communities, Transport Planning.

SDC: Officers: Tony Perks, Deputy Chief Executive; Councillor Susan Juned, Leader

Town Council: Caroline Nash, Town Clerk; Councillor Dani Hunter, Mayor.

Member of Parliament: Manuela Perteghella

Additional information can be found on the Stratford Town Council website, <https://stratford-tc.gov.uk/town-transport-group/>

1 Welcome by Colin Stewart Chair.

Apologies: Aaron Corsi, George Cowcher, Stuart Green, Ian Fradgley, Jenny Fradgley, Dani Hunter, Andy List, Caroline Nash, Manuela Perteghella, Jann Tracy.

2 Minutes of 11 September 2025 were approved.

3 Actions and Matters arising and not on the Agenda:

Trains: Geoff Grant WMT Stakeholder reported to ED that “There are no material timetable changes planned in respect of WMR services. As requested I have liaised with Chiltern, and we are both attending a forthcoming MP roundtable to discuss Stratford Station and services. The ticket office compliance to scheduled hours of opening has been strong, and we are awaiting the relevant permissions for the cafe area to be fitted out. The station planter has also been restored. The wayfinding issues I will pick up with Vicky, WCC and I will also look into some parking issues I have been made aware of at the station. I also attended the SLRUG AGM recently to present there.”

Missing signage for Stratford Parkway Station around the A46 roundabout and approach roads is a mix of WCC Highways and National Highways. CS has discussed with National Highways.

**GG/CS
/LG**

Still seeking membership of the WCC Buses group with invitation to a TTG meeting.

ED

- 4 **South Warwickshire Local Plan (SWLP):** SDC is still going through the consultations which is reported to be on schedule. LS
- 5 **Integrated Transport Strategy & Action Plan**
Town Bypass - CS is chasing for an update as the Stage 1 report should be complete by now. The remit has been widened, and CS also to request “Objectives”, as these are understood to be complete. CS
- 6 **Projects: see their status below**
- 7 **Planning Applications:**
Scope/00042 Land West of Shottery Relief Road, Hansell Farm. This early scoping application, would impact on bypass options. ED to circulate to TTG and ED track.
- 8 **Any Other Business:**

**The next TTG meeting is from 9.30am - 11am
on Thursday 13 November by Zoom**

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Update: 9 October 2025

Stratford-upon-Avon Transport Project Status

	Project	Status	Action	Last Update
1	Pedestrian priority of Bridge Street & High Street	<p>WCC have advised the pilot will now have to be 12 months duration in order to get a TRO. At the last Strategic Partnership meeting (July), an implementation date of mid-March 2026 was agreed. WCC to progress and update costings for approval. Revised proposal awaited.</p> <p>CS understood approval to go ahead and acceptance of some costs were required by WCC. SG requested copies of the paperwork.</p>	<p>WCC</p> <p>CN /CS</p>	<p>11.9.25</p> <p>11.9.25</p>
2	Birmingham Road	<p>LG meetings with WCC project group ongoing since meeting with residents voicing concerns.</p> <p>CS showed excerpts from the highways design manual which illustrate that the current installation which has 2-lanes inbound, and consequently difficult or dangerous side road entries and exists at Oakleigh Road and Justins Avenue falls outside junction safe design guidance.</p> <p>LG advised that Western Rd left out only was being considered again, with officers suggesting a “Give Way” right turn out. TTG advised against this, on safety and capacity terms. CS has sent detailed information to LG, and offered to assist LG.</p>	<p>LG</p>	<p>9.10.25</p>
3	Clopton Bridge / Tiddington Road Junction	<p>Original scheme withdrawn.</p> <p>Project now limited to replacing the pelican crossings outside Cox’s Yard with a signal-controlled junction.</p> <p>KR advised the scheme has run into difficulties as a sliver of land is required to allow for the circulating lane on the gyratory to be widened to 2-lane. CS and AL repeated their comments from when this</p>	<p>WCC</p>	<p>12.6.25</p>

		proposal was first aired in 2021 , questioning whether 2-lanes were needed. CS showed the meeting the layout and traffic figures which he had sent to councillors, illustrating only a relatively small number of vehicles would use the widened 2-lane approach, and suggested this should be reviewed for value for money, when an alternative would be to keep existing kerblines, and change the electronics from pelicans to traffic signals.	KR	9.10.25
4	Evesham Roundabout	Now open, WCC to decide how to connect cycle paths through the junction. WCC still to commission design work. Update awaited.	WCC SA	14.12.23 9.10.25
5	Alcester Road A46 Roundabout (Shottery Relief Road)	Meeting 28 Feb. arranged by our MP, confirmed this work will start once Birmingham Road is complete. Advised this work will start shortly.	WCC CS	8.5.25 11.9.25
6	Alcester Road Cycle Tracks	Stephen Rumble presented proposals to TTG at 11.7.24 meeting. CS wrote with simple suggestions to accommodate LTN1/20 requirements at junctions on 12.7.24. No response. Councillors to chase. Plans have been shown to Cycle Forum and there will be consultation. Connection to A46 OK, but connection to town is still an issue. AL to arrange meeting with three Councillors.	AL	15.07.25
7	Western Bypass	Route options study has started in two stages. TTG requested to input. Initial meeting held WCC, SDC, Atkins. See item 5 on agenda		9.10.25
8	Greenway All-weather Surfacing	Phase 1: Milcote to SuA works complete, however the surface which was understood to be bonded all weather tar & chip, appears to be loose unwashed round gravel including significant fine material and dust. It has been noted it is difficult to wheel through on bikes, push chairs. S106 wording, which specifies a “sealed all-weather surface on the Greenway between the site and Stratford-upon-		

		<p>Avon, to make the route suitable for cycle commuting and other utility journeys from the site.” Which clearly is not what has been constructed.</p> <p>Still unresolved. KR has received a call from WCC’s Andrew Pau, saying they will be meeting with the contractor to understand why this surface was put in place rather than a chip and tar with composite surface. AP will come back to KR mid October.</p>	WCC	9.10.25
9	Canal Quarter Regeneration	Waiting for a decision after the site is bought.	SDC	8.05.25
10	Gateway	Work commissioned for Arden Street Car Park.	SDC	8.05.25
11	Warwick Road	<p>Complete. Cycle Forum had been discussing extension into town using existing wide paving in front of Grosvenor Hotel, with TS. Works are mainly signing. LG requested to chase.</p> <p>Request from LG again</p>	LG	8.05.25
12	Tow Path improvement, Bishops Lane to Timothy’s Bridge Rd.	<p>S106 Funding available from Bishopton Housing development. SDC negotiating with Canal & Rivers Trust to do the work. Third Party insurance claim is the hold up.</p> <p>GC requested to follow up possibility of SDC doing the work to remove the landslip and recharge land owner.</p>	SDC GC	12.10.23 8.05.25
14	Banbury Road cycle route extension to Sonnett Park.	<p>S106 funding received from development.</p> <p>Feasibility study being undertaken</p>	WCC WCC	20.3.24 8.05.25