

# Stratford upon Avon Town Transport Group [TTG]

Minutes from a meeting at 9.30am - 11.30am

on Thursday 11 December 2025 at the Town Hall

**Present:** Cllr Steve Albon, Cllr George Cowcher, Elizabeth Dixon *Secretary*, Cllr Ian Fradgley, Cllr Jenny Fradgley, Cllr Lorraine Grocott, Mark Haselden, Cllr Susan Juned SDC Leader, Andy List, Richard Lees, Caroline Nash, Louisa Slator, Colin Stewart *Chair*, Jann Tracy, Steve Turner

Nigel Whyte and Clive Jones, WCC Transport and Highways

**Circulated to Members of the TTG and**

**WCC Councillors:** George Finch, 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

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## 1 Welcome by Colin Stewart Chair and to

Nigel Whyte and Clive Jones from WCC Transport and Highways, Transport Planners.

Jacque O'Hanlon RSC was unable to attend due to unexpected work commitments in London.

**Apologies:** Stuart Green, Dani Hunter, Manuela Perteghella, Kate Rolfe and Jacque O'Hanlon RSC.

## 2 WCC Buses: Nigel Whyte and Clive Jones gave a presentation about buses in Stratford and SDC, *attached*.

A mix of questions from the TTG were answered including facilities at the P&R, cancellations, staff breaks delayed due to traffic, recruitment and retention. New buses should have space for two wheelchairs or buggies.

Further questions have been submitted to NW and CJ.

SJ has met West Midlands Combined Authority about transport.

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## 3 Minutes of 13 November 2025 were approved.

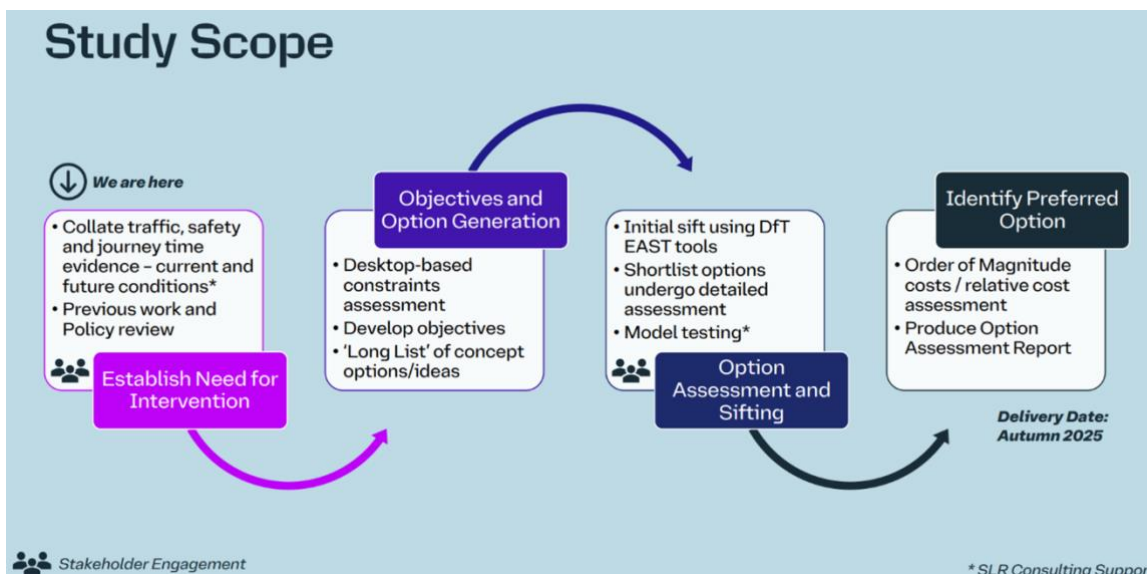
## 4 Actions and Matters arising and not on the Agenda:

No update on signage for P&R at the A46.

5 **South Warwickshire Local Plan (SWLP):** GC reported the SWLP will be delayed.

6 **Integrated Transport Strategy & Action Plan:**

**Bypass Study:** CS reminded the meeting that Atkins, who are undertaking the study on behalf of WCC & SDC were still in box three of the diagram (model testing and more detailed assessment of a shortlist) when last reported to him. GC advised the report was due on 17 December.



7 **Projects:** see their status below

8 **Planning Applications:** CS proposed draft wording for Objection to the following two applications, primarily based on the prejudicial effect they would have on transport bypass options. All to confirm agreement to wording, then ED will submit.

- 25/02533/OUT Land West of Shottery
- 25/02596/OUT Land East Of Shipston Road

All  
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**The next TTG meeting is from 9.30am - 11am  
on Thursday 12 February 2026 by Zoom**

Stratford-upon-Avon **11 December 2025**  
**Stratford-upon-Avon Transport Project Status**

	Project	Status	Action	Last Update
1	Pedestrian priority of Bridge Street & High Street	<p>At the recent Strategic Partnership Meeting, WCC advised that WCC is now in favour of progressing directly to a permanent scheme, rather than a temporary or experimental solution. This is both welcome news and a set-back. It will now take 18 months to implementation at the earliest, and the last 12 months planning a temporary solution has been lost.</p> <p>WCC is to set up a Strategic Partnership working group to develop &amp; monitor the project.</p>	WCC	11.12.25
2	Birmingham Road	<p><b>Dangerous side road entries and exists exist at Oakleigh Road and Justins Avenue:</b></p> <p>LG has been trying to get a meeting for CS with WCC team, but they are unable to fix a date. Given serious concern, CS therefore wrote to Mark Ryder ( Strategic Director WCC) illustrating that these layouts do not comply with the design standards. Richard Fenwick (Director of Highways) responded on 7.11.25 and has now referred to the designers for a formal response. This is still awaited.</p>	WCC	13.11.25
3	Clopton Bridge / Tiddington Road Junction	<p><b>Original scheme withdrawn.</b></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 proposal was <b>first aired in 2021</b>, questioning whether 2-lanes were needed.</p>	WCC	12.6.25

		<p>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.</p> <p>WCC insist the planned changes are suitable.</p>	<p>KR</p> <p>KR</p>	<p>9.10.25</p> <p>13.11.25</p>
4	Evesham Roundabout	<p>Now open, WCC to decide how to connect cycle paths through the junction. WCC still to commission design work.</p> <p>Update awaited.</p>	<p>WCC</p> <p>SA</p>	<p>14.12.23</p> <p>9.10.25</p>
5	Alcester Road A46 Roundabout (Shottery Relief Road)	<p>Work has now started .</p>		<p>13.11.25</p>
6	Alcester Road Cycle Tracks	<p>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.</p>	<p>AL</p>	<p>15.07.25</p>
7	Western Bypass	<p>Route options study has started in two stages. TTG were requested to input, but there has been no further involvement. Initial meeting held WCC, SDC, Atkins.</p> <p>See item 5 on agenda</p>		<p>13.11.25</p>
8	Greenway All-weather Surfacing	<p><b>Phase 1: Milcote to SuA</b></p> <p>Still unresolved.</p> <p>WCC swept the loose gravel on 17 November. KR,CS,ED Met WCC on site on 1.12.25. Surface is now less dangerous, but very thin, with potholes, undulating surface, and ponding in places, consequently unpleasant to ride. CS handed the WCC reps, the S106 wording which is for a change of use “to make the</p>		

		<p>route suitable for cycle commuting and other utility journeys from the Long Marston.” It is currently a country park.</p> <p>SDC have allocated £600k for Milcote to Long Marston. All agreed a specification should be agreed before work commences.</p>	WCC	11.12.25
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 demolition.	SDC	13.11.25
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	13.11.25
12	Tow Path improvement, Bishops Lane to Timothy’s Bridge Rd.	<p>S106 Funding available from Bishopton Housing development. SDC negotiating with Canal &amp; 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> <p>GC will investigate</p>	<p>SDC</p> <p>GC</p> <p>GC</p>	<p>12.10.23</p> <p>8.05.25</p> <p>13.10.25</p>
14	Banbury Road cycle route extension to Sonnett Park.	<p>S106 funding received from development.</p> <p>Feasibility study being undertaken</p>	<p>WCC</p> <p>WCC</p>	<p>20.3.24</p> <p>8.05.25</p>
15	Tramway footpath extension	Funding for extension past Seven Meadows road and going past Waitrose.	AL	13.10.25