Stratford upon Avon Town Transport Group [TTG]

Minutes from a meeting held on Thursday 12 November 2026

by Teams

Present: Cllr Steve Albon, Jo Bozdoganli, Cllr George Cowcher, John Deegan, Eizabeth Dixon *Secretary*, Cllr Jenny Fradgley, Cllr Lorraine Grocott, Mark Haselden, Richard Lees, Cllr Lindsay McDonald, Cllr Kate Rolfe, Colin Stewart *Chair,* Steve Turner, Cllr Jennifer Warren [WCC].

Circulated to Members of the TTG and:

WCC Councillors: George Finch, Leader; Dale Keeling, Chair; Stephen Shaw *Transport Portfolio Holder;* Jennifer Warren, *Cabinet Support for Transport*.

WCC Officers: Mark Ryder, *Strategic Director for Communities;* Richard Fenwick, *Director of Highways*; David Ayton-Hill, *Assistant Director Communities, Transport Planning*.

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

Town Council: Caroline Nash, *Town Clerk;* Cllr Sam McNaught Barrow, *Mayor*.

Member of Parliament: Manuela Perteghella

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1 **Welcome** by Colin Stewart, Chair. **Apologies:** Aaron Corsi, Richard Fenwick, Andy List, Caroline Nash, Graham Nelson, Jann Tracy.

2 **Minutes** of 8 October 2026 were agree

3 **Actions and Matters arising and not on the Agenda:**
Park & Ride: A meeting was held 19 Oct with 4 officers from WCC, councillors, CS & ED to discuss current issues of boarding signing, etc. A further meeting is planned to discuss the future of P&R.
It was noted the first direct train from and to London is due to start on 19 November.

4 **South Warwickshire Local Plan (SWLP):** All comments have now been considered. As previously reported, this will go before SDC and WDC councils for consideration agreement in December and will then be submitted later than originally stated in January 2027 as extra time has been allowed. **GC/JB**
The Infrastructure Delivery Plan is awaited.

5 **TTG Terms of Reference:** They were agreed but **CS** asked that all groups review their nominated members to see if they fit the Members list – **send to ED by 1 December**. **All**

6 **Projects:** See attached schedule.

7 **Planning Applications:** Nothing new but lots of adjustments to existing plans. Developers are choosing smaller plans without a 5-year stock.

8 **Any Other Business:** *Accessible Stratford,* SDC are renewing their taxi policy with comments from anyone to them by 6 December. Several suggestions are being made for the provision of wheelchair accessible vehicles, [Hackney carriages].
Very few public **electric vehicle** charging points found and none met the accessibility requirements of PAS1899.

The next TTG meeting is from 9.30am – 11.30am on Thursday 10 December 2026 at Stratford Town Hall

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Stratford-upon-Avon Transport Project Status

	Project	Status	Action	Last Update
1	Pedestrian priority of Bridge Street & High Street	A working party meeting is to be scheduled week beginning 19 Nov to review progress by PJA associates. Timescale will be requested.	WCC	12.11.26
2	Birmingham Road	Proposals are still awaited. Meanwhile TTG is still seriously concerned about the safety of Justins Avenue, and Oakleigh Road junctions. Following the last meeting CS wrote to Richard Fenwick again as follows: *There continue to be collisions at these junctions, and as you are aware from previous correspondence, the Stage 1 Safety Audit covered only problems related to Walking and Cycling (RSA requirements Appendix B4), and there is no mention of having checked Junctions (Appendix B3). In fact the accompanying drawings did not show junction details. I'm sure if they had been reviewed, the lack of adequate sight-line would have been picked up.* *Right from the outset (2020), the TTG raised concerns that 2-lanes into the town and one out was contrary to the concept of lane balance, as it allows more traffic to enter the already congested town, and negates any attempt to persuade folk to use the Park & Ride. At that time we were not aware that there would be no outbound right turn facility for vehicles turning into Justins Avenue and Oakleigh Road. The latter compounds the problem on a single lane, and the result is now plain to see with frequent congestion back into the town.* *Can you advise what is to be done to solve these two issues?*	WCC	12.11.26

3	Clopton Bridge / Tiddington Road Junction	**Original scheme withdrawn.** Project now limited to replacing the pelican crossings outside Cox's Yard with a signal-controlled junction. Works are getting nearer to happening, a reminder given of the recent problems during an emergency utilities repair at this location with 5-way traffic lights and traffic chaos for days south of the river which also backed up to much oi Stratford.	WCC WCC	12.6.25 12.11.26
4	Evesham Roundabout	Scheme to connect cycle paths through the junction awaited.	WCC	9.7.26
5	Alcester Road A46 Roundabout (Shottery Relief Road)	Opening imminent		12.11.26
6	Alcester Road Cycle Tracks	Scheme has been promised for over 10 years, and provides an important link to the newly expanded High School. Some funding was available, but WCC transferred it to Warwick Road which was never a priority. Request has been made to use WCC's portion of the £4.5m cycle fund announced by Government in July. Understood this is with Councillor Shaw. JW agreed to follow this up.	JW	12.11.26
7	Western Bypass	Update on further work requested.		
8	Greenway All-weather Surfacing	Phase 1: Better since swept-off, but is painful to ride as laid by hand and is ridged. Phase 2: (Milcote to Long Marston), design awaited.	WCC	12.11.26
9	Canal Quarter Regeneration	Waiting for a decision after the site is bought. Check on site to be made.	SDC JB	8.05.25 9.7.26
10	Gateway	Work commissioned for Arden Street Car Park demolition. Likely to start in September.	SDC	13.11.25 9.07.26
11	Warwick Road	LG advised extension along front of Grovenor House Hotel due for Jan/Feb implementation.	LC	12.11.126

12	Tow Path improvement, Bishops Lane to Timothy's Bridge Rd.	S106 Funding available from Bishopton Housing development. Implementation held up due to landslip. No progress in3 years, JB asked to chase.	 JB	 12.11.26
14	Banbury Road cycle route extension to Sonnett Park.	S106 funding received from development. Feasibility study being undertake. KR advised this has now hit the buffers as the S106 allocation was £220k, and works expectation is £600k. KR advised bus stops to be installed and central island. 40mph speed limit under consideration.	 KR	 12.11.26
15	Tramway footpath extension	Funding available for extension past Seven Meadows Road and going past Waitrose. AL to update	AL AL	13.10.25 11.06.26