

Moseley Forum

NOTES

PUBLIC MEETING

7:00 – 9:00 25 JULY 2023

PREP'D BY:	TGR	
PRESENT:	Vice	(RR)
	Secretary	(TR)
	Safeguarding Lead	(JA)
	Committee Member	(JH)
	Committee Member	(JG)
	Committee Member	(HD)
	Committee Member	(HDr)
	Councillor	(IK)
	TfWM	(KT)
	WMRE	(AW)
	VolkerFitzpatrick	(CGT)
	WMRE/WMCA	(CP)

23 others as per the sign in sheet

APOLOGIES	Becky Greenhill	Minutes Secretary	(BG)
	Richard Kimberlee	Treasurer	(RHK)
	Councillor Kerry Jenkins	Councillor	(KJ)
	David Isgrove	Chair	(DI)
	Steve Halliday	Social Media Officer	(SH)
	Geraldine Fisher	Committee Member	(GF)

ITEM		ACTION
1	<p>WELCOME</p> <p>1. REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES & CONFLICTS OF INTERSTS A register was taken and apologies received by the Secretary were noted as above. No one registered a conflict of interest.</p> <p>2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 28 MARCH 2023 The meeting last month was an open meeting and the Forum's AGM. The meeting of 25th April was not minuted. No questions were raised.</p> <p>3. PRIVACY STATEMENT RR noted that by virtue of signing in all those present gave their permission for their contributions here to be recorded either by means of film, video or audio recording or by the taking of notes any of which will be made public by means of the Forum's website. He noted that should anyone not wish to be recorded then they should make this known.</p> <p>4. INTRODUCTION TO SPEAKERS RR introduced the guest speakers;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Kate Trevorrow (KT) - Rail Delivery Director at Transport for West Midlands Anthony Walsh (AW) – Aecom/VolkerFitzpatrick Connor Goodwin-Tindall (CGT)– Project Manager at VolkerFitzpatrick Caroline Parmenter (CP) – WMRE/WMCA 	

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2	<p>Moseley Village Station Update</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. KT introduced the presentation noting the disappointing news that the scheme was delayed by various factors; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.1. Listed wall at Pineapple Road 1.2. Well at Kings Heath 1.3. Badgers at Moseley Village <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.3.1. As an endangered species works were constrained by the calendar but monitoring was now coming to a close and works would be progressing imminently. 1.4. Blockade required to upgrade the track by Network Rail 1.5. Pandemic, inflationary pressures, supply chain problems 2. It was noted that there were different timescales for each station 3. The contractor was liaising with all parties to endeavour to re-programme the works 4. No 'value engineering' was being considered at this time as the scheme had to be delivered to the rail authority standards and to match the planning approval. 5. CGT presented the site works side of the scheme noting; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5.1. The track and drainage had been renewed 5.2. Soil nailing and ground stabilisation was well progressed 5.3. The new badger setts had been identified and closed but the exclusion zone of some 90m prevented the continuation of construction to a large part of the station 5.4. A programme timetable was presented for the whole development 5.5. Options were presented for the construction of the roundel alongside layout drawings. All options were based on being completed in Feb – Mar 2024 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5.5.1. OPTION 1 involved a three stage operation with diversions to alleviate the worst of the congestion 5.5.2. Option 2 involved a complete closure and works would be completed in a single phase with diversions to alleviate the worst of the congestion 5.5.3. OPTION 3 would have the works completed in night time working only. 5.6. CGT noted that the opinions of the community would be appreciated. 5.7. CGT noted that the necessary diversion routes were being investigated 5.8. Councillor Izzy Knowles noted that these works may be impacted by Phase 2 of the LTN works. 5.9. HD asked if there were any unknowns with regards to the utilities. CGT noted that these were being surveyed. 5.10. Sgt Chris Gallon (CG) asked if any additional traffic calming could be incorporated into the scheme. CGT noted that the roundel itself would 'calm' traffic flow. 5.11. Jill Adams (JA) noted that Wake Green Road was a busy road and had links far and wide including to the QE Hospital for the No.41 bus. CGT noted that due regard was being paid to the disruption anticipated. 6. CGT noted that additional information was being gathered to submit for clearance of the outstanding planning conditions and the submission was likely to be made in August 2023. He noted that these final designs had to be signed off by the various parties including Network Rail who would be leasing the station back to West Midlands Trains 7. Jean Gilkison asked if power and water supplies would be available on the forecourt. AW noted that these would only be available for the station and not for community use. 	

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<p>2 (Cont'd)</p>	<p>Moseley Village Station Update</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. AW concluded the presentation with some answers; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8.1. The choice of materials to be used were heavily constrained by Network Rail and West Midlands Trains but would be compatible with the existing i.e. the bricks for the lifts would match those of the wall to St Mary's 8.2. Moseley Society would be consulted only through the channels of the regular planning process and would have no opportunity to influence the choices before submission 8.3. AW confirmed that the station would be owned by Network Rail and leased back to West Midlands Trains 8.4. He confirmed that the lighting to the station and forecourt would be dimmed as and when unnecessary. 8.5. He noted that adoption of the station was possible. [See Below] 8.6. He confirmed that covered storage for 52 cycles was to be provided on the forecourt 9. HD asked if the station works would include linking up the cycle lane currently ending at the bottom of St Marys Row. KT noted that they were working with Adam Tranter of WMCA in this regard. 10. JG asked about the connectivity but Carline Parmenter noted that WMRE could not control the timetable of the buses. 11. CG asked what measures were being implemented to prevent anti-social behaviour on the station. It was noted that the PSPO [See below] would cover the station and that CCTV cameras were being installed. 12. Trevor Hocking (TH) asked what measures were being implemented to reduce the problems of noise and light. KT noted that the works were constrained by the planning approval and standards of network Rail. 13. At this point the guests (CP, KT, CGT & AW) were thanked by the chair and left the meeting. 	
<p>3</p>	<p>Adoption & Friends of Moseley Village Station Group</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jean Gilkison (JG) noted that an initial meeting had been held of a steering group with the intention of setting up a 'Friends of Moseley Village Station' group who would adopt the station. This group was drawn from members of Moseley Forum and Regen who came to the meeting with differing focuses. 2. It was noted that it was unusual for a group to adopt a station still in construction 3. The group discussed the possibility of adopting the whole Camphill Line 4. The rules applied to adoption from the perspective of the train operator are more to do with aesthetics, planters, information boards and art work whereas Regen would be interested in how the station could become a vehicle for the strategic regeneration. 5. It was noted that funding streams were available through the train operator. 6. A further meeting is being organised to set the ground rules and expectations of the steering group and that of any adoption group. This would then report back to the two groups with a plan involving the whole community. 	

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4	<p>PSPO Update</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. RR explained that no one was available to provide an update from BCC but they had sent the following message;<ol style="list-style-type: none">1.1. <i>“So once we receive the go ahead from the Ops Committee then we need to pull together a consultation. This will involve at least 6 weeks of getting the views from those groups that will be most affected by the PSPO prohibitions. I will launch a Be Heard survey which we will then encourage people to take part in, I will aim to try and visit as many groups, like yourselves, to explain the PSPO and encourage people to give feedback. I will also be enlisting the help of the Police to spread the word. Once the Be Heard survey is closed, I will then need a couple of weeks to go through all of the evidence that it has produced. Two weeks might sound like a long time but in my experience there is a lot of evidence that will need to be pulled together and it takes time. Once it is ready it will then need to go to legal again for a final sign off and any amendments. If it is approved then signage etc. will need to be approved and ordered and this can take several weeks. I would rather be honest with everyone involved as I find it helps to manage expectations so at this point I would say that if consultation was to launch in the next couple of weeks, the PSPO is unlikely to be in place until Nov/Dec time and that’s if there are no issues raised.</i>2. Q&A<ol style="list-style-type: none">2.1. CG noted that the consultation would commence on Monday2.2. IK noted that the map had been authorised and was the same as before the previous PSPO lapsed prior to the pandemic2.3. It was requested that the PSPO should include the miss use of Nitrous Oxide2.4. It was asked if there would be sufficient Police Officers available to enforce the order. CG confirmed that there would be following a re-prioritising of the force and incoming newly qualified officers. He confirmed that 30 new response officers would be based at Woodbridge Road.2.5. CG gave a brief update into the actions of the local police force noting various facts and figures;<ol style="list-style-type: none">2.5.1.21% reduction in crime2.5.2.2 robberies in Moseley compared to 25 in Kings Heath2.5.3.45% reduction in vehicle crime2.5.4.Additional officers now on the beat to deal with Section 59 powers enabling them to impound vehicles being driven in anti-social manner.2.5.5.It was noted that parking enforcement was in the hands of Traffic Wardens in the employ of BCC. Where vehicles are causing an obstruction to the highway then WMP can ticket the vehicle. This is no longer done with a physical ticket but there are moves to bring back the visual deterrent to others.2.5.6.He was in touch with various bodies who were organising large events so that traffic etc. can be organised.2.6. He welcomed the opportunity to return to the Forum	

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5	<p>LTN's Update</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. RR explained that no one was available to provide an update from BCC but they had sent the following message;<ol style="list-style-type: none">1.1. <i>Places for People in Kings Heath & Moseley aims to reduce traffic in residential neighbourhoods so that it is safer for people to walk and cycle, and nicer to be outside. A first phase of this scheme was introduced as temporary measures in 2020, which were made permanent in April 2022 with the intention that a second phase would implement a revised area-wide scheme.</i>1.2. <i>A concept design for phase two was published in March 2022 following consultation on proposed layout options held in Autumn 2021. Following publication of this, we sought further feedback about how the scheme should work close to them, for example determining the location of modal filters on a particular stretch of road. Considerable feedback has been captured from these consultations and engagement exercises, as well as from general correspondence*. [Letter attached separately]</i>1.3. <i>Birmingham City Council's Cabinet approved the Outline Business Case for the next phase of this project in January 2023. This scheme has now been handed over to Transport Projects (our specialist delivery team) to oversee the completion of detailed designs and the Full Business Case required to proceed to delivery. Previous feedback will be taken into account as part of this, such as informing the siting of individual measures or highlighting wider concerns that should be considered.</i>1.4. <i>Where there is need for further clarification on specific points to progress design work, this will be arranged in conjunction with the relevant ward Councillors and may involve localised engagement with identified stakeholders, including residents, where appropriate. Final implementation will be subject to formal (statutory) consultation as part of the TRO (Traffic Regulation Order) process.</i>1.5. <i>We are currently in the process of briefing ward Councillors on delivery of this scheme, including any revisions to the timescale. We are also putting together a communications plan to ensure that people are kept informed of progress and will issue regular project updates as part of this.</i>1.6. <i>Further information is available at:</i> https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/placesforpeople.2. Q&A<ol style="list-style-type: none">2.1. No questions were raised	

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6	<p>Finance</p> <p>1. RR explained that Richard Kimberlee (RK) had tendered his apologies at the last minute but he had sent the following message;</p> <p>1.1. <i>“Last years’ accounts have now been signed off by our independent examiner and me (the treasurer). It awaits Chair’s sign off too”</i></p>	
7	<p>REPORTS</p> <p>1. Moseley Regeneration – JK</p> <p>1.1. JK felt she had said enough already as above</p> <p>2. Moseley In Bloom – RR</p> <p>2.1. RR noted that the Open Gardens had raised £10k which would enable them to go in to schools and continue to fund the planters around the village</p> <p>2.2. A pop-up plant sale was being arranged</p> <p>3. Moseley Society – FA</p> <p>3.1. [Not Recorded]</p> <p>4. Councillors</p> <p>4.1. Izzy Knowles reported;</p> <p>The PSPO has been signed off and we are just waiting for it to be published for consultation which is expected to be next week.</p> <p>Cllr Jenkins and I held our ward meeting on Monday 24th July. Sgt Gallon gave us an update on recent changes to the police team. We also discussed and agreed funding of six projects through the Celebrating Communities Fund. These are briefly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A community garden in a grot spot in Woodstock Road; • Outdoor Gym equipment for Queensbridge School; • Extra play sessions at Highbury Orchard; • A series of engagement sessions at Moseley Park & Pool; • Arts activities by Kinmos; • A community event at Riverside House. <p>We are inviting community groups to make bids to the Brum Breathes fund to fund projects around reducing pollution / increasing active travel.</p> <p>https://www.brumbreathes.co.uk/BrumBreathesFund</p> <p>What is the Brum Breathes Fund? A campaign to support communities improve air quality and raise awareness, see link below;</p> <p>https://www.brumbreathes.co.uk</p>	
8	<p>MATTERS FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE FORUM</p> <p>1. Mark Hudson noted that Birmingham City Council are currently consulting on their ‘Our Future City – Draft Central Birmingham 2040’ planning + transport policy framework document. BCC have extended the consultation deadline by just under a month to Thurs. 17th August. Hard copies of the document are available to view in Kings Heath and Balsall Heath libraries.</p>	

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9	AOB No matters were tabled	
10	RR closed the meeting thanking all for their attendance.	
11	DATE OF NEXT MEETING RR noted that Forum would not meeting August and that the next planned meeting was to be at 7:00 – 9:00 Tuesday 26 th September 2023 although the date and venue is subject to confirmation.	



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