

Tees Valley Combined Authority Transport Committee Agenda

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Date: Monday, 26th March, 2018 at 2pm

Venue: Meeting Room 1, Cavendish House, Teesdale Business Park,
Stockton-on-Tees, TS17 6QY

Membership:

Councillor Bill Dixon - Chair (Leader of Darlington Borough Council)

Councillor Nick Wallis (Darlington Borough Council)

Councillor Kevin Cranney (Hartlepool Borough Council)

Councillor Lewis Young (Middlesbrough Council)

Councillor Bob Norton (Redcar and Cleveland Borough Council)

Councillor Mike Smith (Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council)

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Declarations of Interest**
- 3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th September, 2017**
Minutes attached
- 4. Tees Valley Strategic Transport Plan**
- 5. Any Other Business**
- 6. Date of the Next Meeting**

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Teess Valley Combined Authority Declaration of Interests Procedures

1. The purpose of this note is to provide advice and guidance to all members (the Mayor, elected and co-opted members, substitute members and associate members) of the Combined Authority Cabinet, Sub-Committees and Local Enterprise Partnership Board, on the procedure for declaring interests. The procedure is set out in full in the [Combined Authority's Constitution](#) under the "Code of Conduct for Members" (Appendix 8).

Personal Interests

2. The Code of Conduct sets out in full, the principles on the general conduct of members in their capacity at the Combined Authority. As a general principle, members should act impartially and should not use their position at the Combined Authority to further their personal or private interests.
3. There are two types of personal interests covered by the constitution:
 - a. "disclosable pecuniary interests". In general, a disclosable pecuniary interest will involve any financial interests, such as paid employment or membership of a body, interests in contracts, or ownership of land or shares. Members have a pecuniary interest in a matter where there is a reasonable likelihood or expectation that the business to be considered will affect your well-being or financial position, or the well-being or financial position of the following persons:
 - i. a member of your family;
 - ii. any person with whom you have a close association;
 - iii. in relation to a) and b) above, their employer, any firm in which they are a partner, or a company of which they are a director;
 - iv. any person or body in whom persons described in a) and b) above have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £25,000; or
 - v. any body as described in paragraph 3 b) i) and ii) below.
 - b. Any other personal interests. You have a personal interest in any business of the Combined Authority where it relates to or is likely to affect:
 - i. any body of which you are a member (or in a position of general control or management) and to which you are appointed or nominated by the Combined Authority;
 - ii. any body which:
 - exercises functions of a public nature;
 - is directed to charitable purposes;
 - one of whose principle purposes includes influencing public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union) of which you are a member (or in a position of general control or management).

Declarations of interest relating to the Councils' commercial role

4. The constituent councils of the Combined Authority are closely integrated with its governance and financial arrangements, and financial relationships between the Combined Authority and Councils do not in themselves create a conflict of interest for Council Leaders who are also Combined Authority Cabinet members. Nor is it a conflict of interest if the Combined Authority supports activities within a particular council boundary. Nevertheless, there are specific circumstances where the Cabinet is considering entering into direct contractual arrangements with a council, for example in relation to a particular commercial investment project, or in which that council is a co-funder. In these circumstances a non-pecuniary declaration of interest should be made by the Council Leader or their substitute.

Procedures for Declaring Interests

5. In line with the Code of Conduct, members are required to adhere to the following procedures for declaring interests:

Register of Interests

6. Each member is required to complete a register of interests form with their personal interests, within 28 days of their appointment to the Combined Authority. Details of any personal interests registered will be published on the Combined Authority's website, with the full register available at the Combined Authority's offices for public inspection. The form will be updated on an annual basis but it is the responsibility of each member to notify the Monitoring Officer of any changes to the register throughout the year. Notification of a change must be made to the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of becoming aware of that change.

Declaration of Interests at Meetings

7. The Combined Authority will include a standing item at the start of each meeting for declaration of interests. Where members are aware that any of their personal interests are relevant to an item of business being considered at a meeting they are attending, they must declare that interest either during the standing item on the agenda, at the start of the consideration of the item of business, or when the interest becomes apparent, if later.
8. Where members consider that their interest could be considered by the public as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the members' judgement then they may not participate in any discussion and voting on the matter at the meeting, but may attend the meeting to make representations, answer questions or give evidence relating to the business, before it is discussed and voted upon.
9. If the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest (as summarised in paragraph 3a) then the member must leave the meeting room during discussion and voting on the item of business, but may make representations, give evidence and answer questions before

leaving the meeting room. Failure to comply with the requirements in relation to disclosable pecuniary interests is a criminal offence.

Sensitive Information

10. Members can seek the advice of the monitoring officer if they consider that the disclosure of their personal interests contains sensitive information.

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TEES VALLEY TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

**Meeting held at Cavendish House
9am on Tuesday, 5th September, 2017**

ATTENDEES

Members

Councillor Bill Dixon (Chair)	Leader of Darlington Borough Council	DBC
Councillor Kevin Cranney	Hartlepool Borough Council	HBC
Councillor Lewis Young	Middlesbrough Council	MBC
Councillor Bob Norton	Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council	R&CBC

Apologies for absence

Councillor Nick Wallis	Darlington Borough Council	DBC
Councillor Mike Smith	Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council	SBC

Officers

Andrew Lewis	Managing Director Tees Valley Combined Authority	TVCA
Ada Burns	Chief Executive of Darlington Borough Council	DBC
Richard McGuckin	Stockton-On-Tees Borough Council	SBC
Sally Henry	Tees Valley Combined Authority	TVCA
Mark Wilson	Tees Valley Combined Authority	TVCA
Chris O'Keeffe	Darlington Borough Council	DBC

TVTC APOLOGIES

1/17 As above

TVTC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2/17 None

TVTC MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 30th NOVEMBER, 2016

3/17

Minutes of the meeting held on 22nd March, 2017 were approved.

TVTC POSITION STATEMENT FROM LARGE LOCAL MAJORS PROJECTS

4/17

The Committee were provided an update on the Large Local Majors Projects.

The A66 East-West Connectivity and the New Tees Crossing (central option) projects received Large Local Majors funding in Q4 2016.

Strategic Outline Business Cases for both schemes have been approved by Transport Committee and TVCA to enable progression of individual Outline Business Cases for submission to DfT in December 2017. The Outline Business Cases for both schemes are approximately 50% through their delivery phase.

The New Tees Crossing (Eastern Option) project is now in a position to commission specialist support to take work forward.

There has been a series of stakeholder engagement events and, to date, 443 responses have been received.

All 3 projects remain within budget and are forecast to be completed within budget. The Managing Director of the Combined Authority has identified a small contingency pot from the Development Fund in case of unavoidable overspend or scope change between now and December.

Members were given the opportunity to make comment and ask questions on the report and these could be summarised as follows:-

1. Members enquired as to whether local consequences of these schemes have been considered and were assured that detailed investigation and modelling work is on-going.
2. Members enquired about further funding available for these schemes and were advised that there are a number of different funding streams available, including further Large Local Majors funding.

RESOLVED that:-

1. Members noted the content of the report.

TVTC 5/17 TEES VALLEY STRATEGIC TRANSPORT PLAN

Members were provided with a presentation which updated them on progress to date, the timeline for the draft Strategic Transport Plan and supporting documents being available for Members to consider and also the next steps.

An update on the "Vision for Buses" was also supplied. A twin track approach is still being investigated for the future of the Tees Valley Bus Network.

Members were given the opportunity to make comment and ask questions on the report and these could be summarised as follows:-

1. Members enquired whether a breakdown was available of consultees by geography. Mark Wilson agreed to investigate and respond.
2. Members enquired how we are going to continue to engage with consultees in the future and were advised that focus groups will be organised, social media utilised and a communications plan will be established.

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RESOLVED that members note the contents of the presentation.

TVTC 6/17 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. The Committee agreed that a 9am start was acceptable for future meetings.
2. The Committees requested that an item on the Aviation Strategy be added to the agenda for a future Transport Committee.

TVTC 7/17 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

11th January, 2018