Growth & Regeneration Scrutiny Commission 11th March 2021 Public Forum



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Statements:

S1: David Redgewell, David Redgewell, South West Transport Network and Railfuture Severnside

We are very pleased with the progress being made on the Regeneration of Bristol Temple Meads Station and Temple Quarter master plan.

It is very important that Bristol Temple Meads Station is seen as a key gateway to south west of England for Railway passengers.

We are pleased to see support from the Metro Mayor Tim Bowles and WECA Mayoral Combined Authority. Western Gateway Transport Board, Network Rail western routes and First group PLC GWR SWR, Cross Country Trains, Stagecoach all support this regional Transport Hub.

We welcome the work to station train shed roof and Eastern entrance.

With regards to buses it's important to have a clear design of covered wind and watertight walkways between the passenger shed and new passenger facilities in the Midlands Train shed to the Friary bus and coach interchange. Including lifts and escalators and disabled access with luggage facilities.

The booking hall needs refurbishment and a more modern tickets office with disabled friendly windows and a modern travel centre.

Bus rail ferry and rapid transit system information screens, seating and waiting facilities.

We wish to see more shops within the station; chemists, supermarket's, bars and restaurants, buffet, cafes and shops. Also left luggage facilities and British Transport Police station.

And extra platforms and capacity for metro west new service to Pill and Portishead.

Ashley Down, Filton Abbey, Filton North, Henbury and future option for the line to Avonmouth. Metro west railway services. And an extra train service to St Anne's Park, Keynsham Saltford, Bath Spa, Freshford, Avoncliffe, Bradford on Avon, Trowbridge, Westbury Warminster and Frome.

New service to from Bristol Temple Meads Lawrence Hill, Stapleton Road, Ashley Down, Filton Abbey Wood, Bristol Parkway Station, Yate, Charfield, Cam and Dursey Stonehouse, Bristol road Gloucester Central and Cheltenham Spa.

Metro West routes.

There needs to be a bus interchange on Temple Gate with covered facilities for passengers travelling onward by bus to south Bristol, Knowle, Hengrove and Whitchurch and also Arnos Vale, Brislington and Broomhill.

Somerset bus service.

Bus service 178 Brislington ,Keynsham, Timsbury, Farmborough, Paulton Midsomer Norton and Radstock.

376 Bristol Temple Meads, Knowle, Hengrove, Whitchurch, Pensford Farrington Gurney, Chewton Mendip Wells bus station Glastonbury and Street.

349 Arnos Vale Brislington Keynsham Park Estate.

From the Friary we need buses to Bristol Airport - City Centre via Old Market and Cabot Circus and on to Clifton Down.

To the City Centre and the hospital complex at the BRI Cancer Centre children hospital Dental hospital and eye hospital.

As well as Bus service we also have a ferry services to the City Centre, Bristol Harbour and Hotwells and to the Netham.

A proposed terminal for the falcon coach services to Bristol Airport, Churchill, East Brent Bridgewater, Taunton, Wellington, Exeter Newton Abbot and Plymouth coach station. Operated by Stagecoach South West.

And a light rail station for future light rail links to East Bristol via Lawrence Hill.

Brislington via the North Somerset Railway, Callington Road to Hengrove Whitchurch, Hartcliffe, Withywood, Parsons Street, Bedminster and the City Centre and Bristol Temple Meads.

A route to Brislington, Keynsham Salford Newbridge, Weston Bath Spa, transport interchange and Batheaston and Bathford.

And a link via Redcliffe, Cumberland Road, South Bristol link Yardley and Bristol Airport.

Needs to be designed in the station and preserve the historic building as a Grade 1 *listed building as a modern station.

The quality of the waiting rooms and Restaurant and Buffet all need upgrading similar to the renovation the works by Network Rail at Sheffield Midlands Station

We need a bus interchange at the Eastern entrance with bus service to East Bristol, St George, Kingswood, Warmley, oidland common, Bitton St George, Kingswood, Hanham, Longwell Green, Cadbury Heath.

We also need buses to St Anne's and Brislington.

Bus lane along Feeder Road and Cattle Market Road. Also, a shuttle bus to the rest of the University campus in Clifton.

We welcome the proposed conference centre on Temple Island, University flats and housing. We need affordable and social housing within the Temple Quarter area.

There is also a need for car parking for staff and passengers at the southern entrance. RAILWAY staff work 24/7 including the station night shift and Network Rail western routes and the British Transport Police.

Aslef RMT Unite and Tssa require car parking.

Welcome disabled parking on the station forecourt and public realm.

The Taxis interchange needs covered waiting shelters and canopies and electrical charging points . The master plan and design of the station complex are supported with good quality public realm and architecture of the new station new footbridge to the platform 15 will need a design for disability passengers the whole station complex requires a diversity impact assessment Dia because of the different levels of subways platform and lifts .

The integration with the harbour university campus housing and waterfront housing including affordable housing and rented housing.

In St Phillips Marsh it very important to protect the St Phillips Marsh Railway Maintenance depot Network rail western routes land for First group Great western railway Depot.

It is very important with WECA mayoral combined authority western gateway Transport board. North Somerset council.

Western Gateway partnership Network Rail western routes. south west Transport board that we push the Department for Transport and Government to fund with Homes England the Temple Meads master plan as a top regional priority.

And is raised as a Regional priority at the western gateway transport board business and stakeholders meeting on 10th March 2021 by WECA mayoral transport authority and Bristol city council.

Park and Ride

Representations on transport strategy to the South Gloucestershire Local Plan.

Please note the Bristol Transport strategy Park and ride sites are not allocated in their proposed plan.

We are concerned about the South Gloucester Local Plan appears not to allocate any Park and Ride sites for the Greater Bristol area.

2 site s are happening which we fully support at Yate with its Bus services to Yate Town centre bus station and chipping Sodbury. Y1 y2 and 84, 85, 86

Yate park and ride to Bristol city centre

It's close to the Railway station as well with train service to Bristol Parkway Filton Abbey Wood Stapleton Road Lawrence Hill and Bristol Temple Meads.

Keynsham, Oldfield Park, Bath Spa and station to Westbury and Weymouth.

And North from Yate to cam and Dursey Gloucester central and Cheltenham Spa.

Their a second park and ride at Emerson Green for Bristol city centre on metro bus route with bus priority required on the Avon ring road.

But there's no Park and Ride site at Henbury railway station on Cribbs Causeway.

Where a park and ride Rail services and bus interchange facilities are planned

With train services to Bristol Arena Filton North station, Filton Abbey Wood Ashley Down station Stapleton road and Lawrence Hill station and Bristol Temple Meads station. Metro west service.

Bus service down the showcase bus route to Clifton down station and Bristol city centre Bristol Temple meads and Bromhill service 1.

At the top of the M32 no park and ride site mention for Bristol City Centre and bus interchange for bus service to Downend and Kingswood. Or to North Bristol fringes U W E bus station, Bristol parkway Cribbs causeway bus station, Southmead Hospital.

There's a park and ride at Fairfield which is welcome as a share and ride.

We need a ring of park and ride sites and Bus interchange around East and North Bristol Fringe.

A site is required In Longwell Green Hanham area.

Theses interchange Park and ride site fit in with WECA Mayoral Transport Authority Bus Strategy.

At Railway stations at Patchway and Severn Beach car park are required.

To make best use of the metro west railway network.

The Henbury Loop line is required from Bristol Temple Meads Lawrence hill

Stapleton Road, Ashley down Filton Abbey Wood Filton North Henbury the line needs to continue to St Andrew Road Avonmouth Dock for Severn Beach. To access Severnside. Enterprise zone.

The role of Pilning station needs to be addressed by a new footbridge lighting waiting room shelter and a car park and bus interchange.

Charfield station is very important on The Bristol Temple Meads Lawrence hill station, Stapleton road Ashley down Filton Abbey wood Bristol parkway yate Charfield Cam and Dursey Stonehouse Bristol road Gloucester central.

We just concerned about the need to work with WECA mayoral transport authority and south Gloucestershire Transport planner to make sure all the projects for improving Public transport are shown in the plan.

The Thornbury Tytherington Freight Branch line is not shown in the plan or the westerleigh freight branch.

Or railway freight facilities for the power station at Severn Beach.

We also need to show the routes for the mass transit system need to be added into the plan as the routes to east Bristol North Bristol and Bath are part of weca mayoral transport authority plans .

Clean air zones In Bristol:

We want to be sure that their exemption for disabled people to travel to Bristol city centre for service s and importantly access to the Region Hospital complex at Bristol Royal infirmary, cancer centre children hospital Heart institute Dental hospital and Eye hospital.

On the Thornbury to Bristol city centre T1 call at Bristol Royal infirmary.

Yate to Bristol via coalpit heath and winterbourne.

Bristol city council are sorting out the exemption with the clean air zone.

For south Gloucestershire council,

Bath and North east Somerset and North Somerset residents.

The council need to check disabled expansion and hospitals access.

The coach network will need upgrading on long Distance Coaches that operate via Uwe bus station.

The Bristol Bond street and Bristol bus station. and into the south west of England and Wales.

Bath clean air zone goes public on the 15 th march 2021.

Stagecoach west are fitting euro 6 engine upgrade for Both the Bristol and Bath. Clean air zones.

We would like to see progress on the clean air management area on the Avon ring at Hambooke and the traffic orders .

And the clean air management at in Kingswood and Warmley and staple hill

We would like to have progress on clean Air in urban south Gloucestershire council area.

South Gloucestershire disabled equalities forum transport group welcome the on going discussions to make the Thornbury high street scheme fully accessible.

And for work to progress on the rock street public transport interchange facilities for the bus network to Bristol cribbs causeway bus station. Yate

Chipping sodbury. Wotton under edge cam Dursey and Gloucester and Taxi facilities.

We welcome the regeneration of Kingswood Town centre again we want to make sure the pedestrianised scheme is accessible to disabled people.

In the case of Kingswood this will require close working with Bristol city council.

on traffic management pavements drop kerbs and castle kerbs.

Bath Transport plan.

In the oidland common willsbridge Bitton, swinford area their a need to make comments and representation on the Bath Transport plan.

Which includes key bus corridor to From Bath spa bus station to Weston RuH back entrance Kelson Swinford ,Bitton Longwell green, Hanham, st George park Lawrence hill station ,Bristol bus station. Bus 37

Bath spa bus station to Weston Kelson Bitton Cadbury heath warmley kingswood, Hillfields, Staple Hill, Downend UWE Bristol parkway station and cribbs causeway bus station bus 19.

Avon valley railway and cycle way from Newbridge to Kelson, Bitton, oidland common and warmley. Bath Newbridge Saltford Keynsham

Willsbridge, Oidfield ,North common Warmley and Kingswood. Bus 18.

Closing date is the 1st of March 2021.

On bus service we are keen that as the economy opens up and school and college bus start to operate that as bus service and rail service uplifts in April and may the timetable can be put back up on bus stops shelter s and interchange s .and on railway stations.

And the lifts switched on at Patchway station.

Hope these issues can be addressed

Statement 2: Martin Garrett on behalf of Transport for Greater Bristol (TfGB)

Good public transport and connectivity also promote well-being and social justice.

We like the Vision in the Temple Meads proposal.

It is still vague about locating the buses, and any detail we could find shows a long walk from them to the platforms, unsuitable for

- 1. encouraging modal shift for local journeys,
- 2. those with mobility issues.

We have campaigned for buses on Friary, but the documents show only a spur, unsuitable for the non-terminating buses going by on Temple Gate.

Consider other options such as a through route along Friary and Temple Back East.

Ensure that provision for trams and possibly tram-trains is future-proofed. They are essential if we are to reach 2030 targets.

Talk to us in TfGB. We have thought about this for years.

Statement 3: Gavin Smith on behalf of Transport for Greater Bristol (TfGB)

TfGB is concerned regarding the Strategic Transport Plans report that the Belfast Glider bendibus appears to be being recommended as the future 'rapid/mass transit' system for Bristol.

There has been no public consultation of alternative options. TfGB's view is that Bristol should be pushing for the integration of WECA's MetroWest rail plans, with trams on non-rail corridors - as is being developed in comparable cities like Birmingham, Nottingham, Sheffield and Cardiff. In particular we should be bidding for government funding for a pilot tram line crossing the city, inclusive of a city centre circuit. If Bristol lowers its expectations to a bendibus we will never get access to the level of government funding of comparable cities.

A public consultation exercise is required.

TfGB's initial rail & tram Rapid Transit Plan is published on our website tfgb.org (under 'campaigns/Bristol transport plan'), from which the attached map is taken. We are undertaking further detailed work with UKTram on possible pilot lines, to be published in due course.

Gavin Smith TFGB\TfGB LRT map full (002).jpg