Enhanced Partnership Board

Action Log from 21 March 2023

Open and Recently Completed Actions

Meeting Date	Minute No	Action	Action Owner	Update	Status
21/03/2023	50	Any Other Business The Director of Public Transport Development to explore the possibility of a representative from TM Travel attending future meetings, either with voting rights or in an observer capacity.	Pat Beijer	Discussing future representation with CPT.	Ongoing
21/03/2023	48	Update on Bus Priority Measures Members suggested that a bus priority plan for the network as a whole be considered at the meeting to be arranged with local authority colleagues (at Minute No 44). Progress to be reported at the next meeting.	Nick Brown	To be included in the meeting of transport portfolio holders referenced below (minute 44(iv)).	Ongoing
21/03/2023	47a	EP Forum Updates The Director of Public Transport Operations and Bus Partnerships Project Director to plan the dates of any proposed future network changes and the related stakeholder engagement periods into the EP Forum meeting schedule to ensure adequate contribution from the Forum and operators.	Tim Taylor & Nick Brown	Raised at EP Forum on 18 April 2023	Ongoing
21/03/2023	46a	Use of Prospective Scheduling Software to Improve Punctuality	lan Humphreys	Due to be considered at the September meeting.	Pending



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		The First Representative to provide an update on the use of Prospective Scheduling Software, confirm when it is planned to be implemented in South Yorkshire and its effects on punctuality to be brought to the September meeting.			
21/03/2023	44 (iv)	Update on EP Programme Delivery	Nick Brown	A meeting of transport	Ongoing
		The Bus Partnerships Project Director to arrange a meeting with appropriate local authority colleagues to discuss bus priority measures and agree a coordinated approach.		portfolio holders has been proposed following local government elections.	
21/03/2023	44 (iii)	Update on EP Programme Delivery	John Dowie &	Working group established. Oral update on progress to be provided on 9 May 2023.	Ongoing
		A Working Group, including the Executive Director of Infrastructure & Place, the Bus Partnerships Project Director, Operator and TravelMaster Representatives to be set up to look at progressing the EP scheme and refreshed EP programme deliverables. An update to be provided to the next meeting.	Nick Brown		
21/03/2023	44 (ii)	Update on EP Programme Delivery	Matt Kitchin		
		The Stagecoach Representative to write to the Chair, setting out the plan for the delivery of 'tap and cap' within Stagecoach.			
21/03/2023	44 (i)	Update on EP Programme Delivery	John Dowie	To include in possible mini-	
		The Executive Director of Infrastructure & Place to explore alternative funding options to run a Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) pilot scheme.		BSIP bid for Doncaster; will review scope for tender top- slice as current bidding round is finalised.	

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21/03/2023	43	Minutes & Actions of the Previous Meeting	lan Humphreys		
		The First Representative to seek to resolve internal agreement for the onward travel for wheelchair users in time for the next Board meeting.			
31/01/2023	41 (ii)	Any Other Business	Ellen Hinsley	An item on Coach to be	Pending
		The Democratic Services Officer to add an item on Coach to an agenda of a future meeting.		considered at a future meeting.	
31/01/2023	41 (i)	Any Other Business	Jordan Kemp	Meeting held on 3 March	Ongoing
		The Marketing Manager to share a marketing plan with the Board prior to the next meeting.		with marketing leads at First and Stagecoach to discuss a 12-month marketing plan from 1 April 2023. Budget contributions need confirming and the partnership marketing agreement needs drafting and approving.	
31/01/2023	39b	EP Forum Members - Changes Proposed	Pat Beijer		Ongoing
		The Director of Public Transport Development to further consider how best to secure health service representation whether from a Trade Union or the ICP.			
31/01/2023	39a	Customer Charter (Transport Promise) Update	Ian Humphreys	See Minute No.43 for	Superseded
		The First Representative to explore the possibility of implementing a policy to provide onward travel for any wheelchair user who was unable to be accommodated on board in South Yorkshire.		progress.	by Minute No.43

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31/01/2023	37b	Update on Punctuality & Comparison with 2019 Bus operators to contribute items on progress or actions underway at future meetings.	Operators	Email inviting agenda items sent to operators on 22 & 28 February.	Ongoing
31/01/2023	37a (ii)	Mayor's £2 Fare Cap The Executive Director of Infrastructure & Place and operators to explore cheaper single and return fares to promote bus travel with infrequent users and to consider the possibility of targeting specific groups of actual and/or potential passengers.	John Dowie	Government funded £2 fare cap for buses extended to the end of June 2023. Commercially funded exit being explored with operators alongside work on ticket simplification.	Ongoing
31/01/2023	37a (i)	Mayor's £2 Fare Cap Operators to identify several areas (deprived, rural, etc) where trials could be conducted on reduced, simplified fares and targeted support, working with the Bus Partnerships Project Director.	Operators & Nick Brown	Operators considering flatter fares structure following end of £2 flat fare scheme. Operators have indicated trials of targeted, reduced fares over and above where fares would be positioned under this flatter structure are unlikely without public subsidy. Funding options being pursued.	Ongoing
29/11/2022	31c	2023 Fares Change A Working Group incorporating operators and MCA officers to be established to investigate how the removal of single-operator day (and other period) products could be delivered at pace.	Tim Taylor & Nick Brown.	Data provided by operators being analysed to identify impact of ticket removal at different price points for multi-operator products.	Work subsumed into Working Group identified in minute 44(iii) above.

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04/10/2022	26	Enhanced Partnership Scheme Progress Report The Director of Public Transport Development to provide a regular update on the progress of the DRT Scheme to the Board.	Pat Beijer	Bus Services Team are considering potential pilot areas and a proposal will be brought to EP Board in due course in the first Quarter of 2023.	Ongoing
09/08/2022	11	EP Targets Report Members to share their views on the appearance and content of the dashboard with the Director of Public Transport Operations.	All members	Awaiting feedback.	Ongoing

Completed Actions

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31/01/2023	38b	Update on EP Programme Delivery The Democratic Services Officer to add an item on Bus Priority to the agenda of the next meeting and invite relevant Officers from each local authority to attend this discussion.	Ellen Hinsley	Covered under agenda item 4.a: Bus Priority Measure Implementation on 21 March.	Complete
31/01/2023	37b	Update on Punctuality & Comparison with 2019 The First Representative to provide an update on their work with Prospective at the next meeting.	Ian Humphreys	Covered under agenda item 4.b: Use of Prospective Scheduling Software to Improve Punctuality on 21 March.	Complete

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31/01/2023	37b	Update on Punctuality & Comparison with 2019 The Bus Partnerships Project Director to provide an update on the bus priority programme across the 4 districts to the March meeting.	Nick Brown	Covered under agenda item 4.a: Bus Priority Measure Implementation on 21 March.	Complete
29/11/2022	32c	Partnership Marketing Budget	Cllr Chris Read	Rotherham MBC has	Complete
		The Leader of Rotherham MBC to raise the issue of Rotherham's contribution to the marketing budget internally.		agreed to contribute £20,000 to the EP marketing budget.	
29/11/2022	31c	2023 Fares Change	Tim Taylor	TravelMaster attended EP Board on 29/11/22. Subsequent discussions have taken place between SYMCA Officers and TM members. Fares rises implemented for number of operations, others to follow.	Complete
		TravelMaster members to arrange a meeting to discuss the 2023 Fare Change.			
29/11/2022	31a	October Bus Service Change Impacts on Enhanced Partnership Targets	Tim Taylor	Covered under item 3.b on the agenda of 31 January	Complete
	levels with those in 20 improved to meet the	Officers and operators to compare current punctuality levels with those in 2019 and explore how this can improved to meet the 95% target. The findings to be presented at the next meeting.		2023 meeting.	
29/11/2022	31a	October Bus Service Change Impacts on Enhanced Partnership Targets	Tim Taylor	Circulated on 1 February.	Complete

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		The Director of Public Transport Operations to share the ticket types used to demonstrate the different prices across the country with operators.			
04/10/2022	24	Notice of Enhanced Partnership Scheme Variation	Steve Edwards	Included in the agenda at the November meeting.	Complete
		The Corporate Director of Public Transport to arrange a meeting between EP Board representatives and TravelMaster to discuss the multi-operator tickets.			
04/10/2022	23	Data Plan – Exchange & Analysis	Pat Beijer,	Included in the agenda at	Complete
		Director of Public Transport Development, Head of Policy and Bus Operators to come up with a shortlist of areas for potential growth using available data to be presented to the November meeting.	Jonathan Guest & Operators	the November meeting. A follow up meeting has also been held with bus operators and data sharing has started.	
04/10/2022	22	Towards a Patronage Recovery Action Plan	Pat Beijer	Now included in Demand	Complete
		The Director of Public Transport Development to explore possibility of a seasonal marketing campaign in time for Christmas.		Recovery Action Planning.	
04/10/2022	22	Towards a Patronage Recovery Action Plan	Oliver Coppard	Discussed at EP Forum	Complete
		The Mayor to arrange a meeting with the Bus Users representative to discuss how to increase passenger levels as a matter of urgency.		meeting on 1 November.	
04/10/2022	22	Towards a Patronage Recovery Action Plan	Pat Beijer	Now included in Demand	Complete
		The Director of Public Transport Development to produce an ambitious, targeted marketing plan using available data to ensure efficacy.		Recovery Action Planning.	

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04/10/2022	22	Towards a Patronage Recovery Action Plan The Democratic Services Officer to add the £2 fare cap to the agenda of the November meeting.	Ellen Hinsley	An item on the £2 Flat Fare was added to the agenda of 29 November meeting.	Complete
04/10/2022	21	Operator Plans for Bus Recovery Grant and Short–Medium Term Service Changes The Stagecoach Representative to update the Leader of Rotherham MBC on the Dearne Valley services.	Matt Kitchin	Meeting held on 19 October.	Complete
04/10/2022	20	Enhanced Partnership Operating Group Progress Report The Executive Director of Infrastructure & Place to write to DfT on behalf of the Board, to raise concerns around the short notice of Government funding decisions and its effect on planning and implementation.	John Dowie	Letter sent on 16 November.	Complete
04/10/2022	20	Enhanced Partnership Operating Group Progress Report The Director of Public Transport to develop an agreed schedule for significant service changes prior to the next meeting.	Steve Edwards	As per the report 'EP Operating Group Progress Report October 2022' at the last meeting; the group have agreed in principle that the two significant service changes take place at the start of September (or late august) on the last Sunday prior to school returning for the start of the academic year, and on the first Sunday after the Good Friday/Easter Monday	Complete

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				weekend.	
09/08/2022	17	Matters arising The possibility of using the Adult Education Budget to uplift driver shortages was discussed in reference to a case study in West Yorkshire. Officers to discuss with AEB colleagues and bring an update to the next meeting in October.	Steve Edwards & Tim Taylor	Discussions held with AEB colleagues, now awaiting operator feedback. Raised with operators at EP Operating Group on 15 September. Operators were unanimous that they'd welcome additional investment/activity on driver training akin to the scheme in West Yorkshire. We now need to develop, with SYMCA AEB colleagues what this might look like.	Complete
09/08/2022	15	Forum Membership Proposal Officers to work through a timeline of key dates that may affect the timings of Forum meetings.	Pat Beijer	Forum meetings now planned. Decision to hold single Forum meeting, instead of staggered thematic Forum meetings has resolved the risk of not all relevant topics being considered by all members of the Forum.	Complete
09/08/2022	14	Approval of Variations to EP Schemes P Beijer to consider which variation option is best suited and prepare the EP Scheme Variation for EP Board approval in correspondence.	Pat Beijer	Proposed EP Scheme Variation circulated to EP Board members on 15 September 2022 for approval by 30 September	Complete

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				2022. Covered under item 7 on the agenda of 4 October 2022.	
09/08/2022	13	New EP Schemes Proposed Priorities	Pat Beijer	Pat Beijer met with Lucy	Complete
		Officers to engage with L Nickson and the LEP about retailer discounts for bus users.		Nickson on 19 October 2022.	
09/08/2022	13	New EP Schemes Proposed Priorities	Pat Beijer	Covered under item 5 on the	Complete
		Officers to look at which of these priorities could be delivered in the next 4-6 months and prepare a paper with suggestions to be agreed on at the October meeting.		agenda of 4 October (Data and Intelligence Plan).	
09/08/2022	13	New EP Schemes Proposed Priorities	Pat Beijer	Covered under item 5 on	Complete
		Officers to further investigate and plan this work prior to the next meeting for members to comment on.		the agenda of 4 October (Data and Intelligence Plan).	
09/08/2022	13	New EP Schemes Proposed Priorities	Pat Beijer	PB followed up with supplier	Complete
		P Beijer and T Taylor to follow up on their meeting with the provider and commence research into similar providers.		of retail discount app linked to bus usage. Included and to be considered as part of action plan (item 5 on agenda).	
09/08/2022	11	EP Targets Report	P Beijer to	Covered under item 6 on the	Complete
		EP Development Group to create a piece of work which explores better data in terms of travel flows and public movement.	inform EP Development Group.	agenda of 4 October (Data and Intelligence Plan)	
09/08/2022	11	EP Targets Report	Gabriella Kocsis	Added to the agenda.	Complete

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		Democratic Services Officer to add 'EP Targets Report' onto the November agenda for members to review the targets following the impact of the changes to be made in October.			
09/08/2022	11	EP Targets Report	Pat Beijer	Covered under item 6 on	Complete
		SYMCA to share economic intelligence on travel patterns with bus operators.		the agenda of 4 October (Data and Intelligence Plan).	
09/08/2022	11	EP Targets Report	Pat Beijer	Covered under item 5 on the	Complete
		Officers to collate the information on the reasons for reduced bus patronage and possible recovery options for members to decide on during the next meeting in October.		agenda of 4 October (Data and Intelligence Plan).	
09/08/2022	11	EP Targets Report	Matt Kitchin &	Covered under item 4 on the	Complete
		M Kitchin and K Belfield to report back to the Board with a projected bus patronage figure following the service cuts in October.	K Belfield	agenda of 4 October (Recovery Action Plan (Oct 2022 – Mar 2023)	
21/06/2022	8	Any other business	South		Complete
		SY Mayor to put his name to a letter asking for formal feedback and highlight his disappointment that we missed out on BSIP funding.	Yorkshire Mayor/ Head of Mayor's Office		
21/06/2022	7	Feedback from the EP Forum and review of commercially sensitive papers to be added to the standing agenda.	Pat Beijer	Added as requested.	Complete
21/06/2022	5	Members to correspond with P Beijer via email and inform her of their suggestions for EP Forum members so a solid list can be brought together and discussed at the next meeting.	All members	Suggestions were received and discussions held between P Beijer & Dawn Badminton- Capps to create	Complete

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				a finalised list.	
21/06/2022	5	Remove bi-monthly and include 'every other month' in the ToR for both the EP Forum and EP Board.	Pat Beijer	Updated EP Board and EP Forum ToRs attached.	Complete
21/06/2022	5	Add a statement of intent for the EP Forum to the Terms of Reference.	Pat Beijer	Updated EP Forum ToR attached (V2.0 dated 07/07/22).	Complete
21/06/2022	5	The Mayor asked to remove reference to 'customers' and instead use the 'travelling public of South Yorkshire', whether they are current customers or not. EP Board ToR to be looked at and updated with this in mind.	Pat Beijer	Updated EP Board ToR V2.1	Complete
21/06/2022	4	Amend Part 1 of the EP Board ToR to include a Statement of Intent.	Pat Beijer	Updated EP Board ToR attached here with (V2.1 dated 07/07/22)	Complete
21/06/2022	4	Item 10 of the EP Board ToR to be amended so the Board is transparent, and all papers will be published unless they feature sensitive information.	Pat Beijer	Updated in EP Board ToR attached here with (V2.1 dated 07/07/22)	