

**THE MORAY COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

MORAY FORUM TRANSPORT STEERING GROUP

DATE: Tuesday 21 November 2017, 10am.

VENUE: Moray Council Meeting Room 6 (Annexe)

ATTENDEES:

Anita Milne, Moray Transport Working Group (AM)
Angela Sutherland, Forres Area Forum (AS)
Donald MacRae, Public Transport Manager (DM)
Leah Rossvoll, Buckie Area Forum (LR)
Julie Cromarty, Hitrans (JC)
Andrea Fuller, Speyside Area Forum (AF)

APOLOGIES:

Nicola Moss, Transportation Manager (NM)
Iain Catto, Elgin Community Council (IC)
Fabio Villani, Chief Officer, tsiMoray (FV)
John MacDonald, Community Transport Association (JM)
Linda McDonald, Buckie Area Forum (LM)
Craig Woodall, Stagecoach (CW)
Councillor Lorna Creswell (LC)
Stevie Robertson, Planning Officer Community Transport (SR)

IN ATTENDANCE:

Kathryn Evans, CEO, Moray Sports Centre (KE)

Item	Subject	Action
1.0	Apologies and Introductions	
1.1	Apologies as noted above. Anita welcomed Andrea Fuller who is representing the Speyside Area Forum. Introductions were also made for the benefit of Kathryn Evans from the Moray Sports Centre.	
2.0	Kathryn Evans – Moray Sports Centre	
2.1	Kathryn Evans attended the meeting and provided the background and progress with the sports centre.	
2.2	With regards to travel – Kathryn will make contact with Stagecoach MD Marc Whitlocks.	
2.3	Donald advised Kathryn that the Council have quarterly meetings with Stagecoach and will add the sports centre and travel to the agenda for discussion. Kathryn to be invited to a future stagecoach – PTU quarterly meeting.	DM

2.4	Julie agreed to provide information to Kathryn on electric charging points and funding.	JC
3.0	Minutes of Previous meeting Dated 26.9.17	
3.1	2.3 – Julie confirmed that hitrans contribution for the last seminar has now been paid and Anita confirmed that she had received it.	
3.2	2.5 – Anita and Donald still need to meet to discuss holding an event or celebration that all the organisations could be invited to.	AM/DM
3.3	3.3 – Kingston-Garmouth-Urquhart-Lhanbryde – Anita said that the final figures were averaging about 15-20 passengers and the chair of Milnes Forum would like to have a discussion with Donald.	DM
3.4	6.7 – Patient transport – Nicola was trying to arrange a meeting with NHS to discuss.	NM
3.5	9.4 – Speyside Rep – Andrea Fuller is the representative.	
4.0	Matters Arising	
4.1	Banffshire Partnership – to be invited to attend the next meeting of the group. Leah will raise the idea of holding a coffee morning type meeting in the Buckie area.	LR
5.0	Transport Updates	
5.1	<p>Public Transport – Donald advised that there will be network changes from 8.1.18. Consultations are underway with the following highlighted changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inverness service – every 30 minutes instead of 3 buses per hour. - Low floor vehicle to work the short journeys Inverness – Elgin and new coaches on full length journey Inverness – Elgin. - New coaches are in place on the Aberdeen service. - Kinloss to Forres – Donald has asked about a Forbeshill branch being added and he will chase up a response. - Elgin to Inverness – it was proposed that passengers could change to a different vehicle at Nairn to go to the airport but the numbers for demand appear to be small. - Speyside service – no change to the hourly service. - Burghead service – no change proposed. - Lossiemouth service – every 30 minutes instead of every 20 minutes. - Aberdeen via the coast – to be hourly. - Buckie 38 service – small tweaks. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Elgin service (funded via developer contributions) – will continue until the road is adopted. - 334 service – route looking to be tidied up and a change made to the last journey of the day. Drop at the side of tesco is also proposed. Extension of some journeys to Haugh Road, Tesco store on passenger request. 	
5.2	Transport for Health and Social Care – no update.	
5.3	Dial M – no issues to report.	
5.4	Community Transport – Leah wanted to mention the stagecoach driver who stopped his journey during the remembrance parade in Buckie and tipped his hat to those attending as a mark of respect, it was noted by all that this was a kind gesture that was appreciated. Donald agreed to pass on thanks to stagecoach.	
5.5	Andrea asked Donald for the background on the Speyside car share scheme. Donald outlined the current position whereby a Council committee decision was made to cease the £7k of funding that has been paid to them yearly from the Council. Nicola has written to them and outlined the situation.	
6.0	2018 Seminar	
6.1	Provisional date of 24.3.18 agreed. Anita to look at booking the community centre in Lhanbryde.	
6.2	Theme: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Access to public transport. 2. Physical access to transport (i.e. transport with low floors or a lift and access for all disabilities and not just wheelchairs). 	
6.3	Age Scotland and Citizens Advice looking at issues with travel and access.	
6.4	Suggested that a speaker could be invited from the bus manufacture side.	
7.0	AOCB	
7.1	Donald will send Kathryn Evans a link to the dial m services pages on the website.	DM
7.2	Anita will invite the manager from Elgin Citizens Advice Bureau to the next meeting.	AM
7.3	Age UK are looking at the concession age and whether the age should be 60 years old or if a payment should be made like it is for	

	blue badges.	
8.0	Date, Time and Venue - Next Meeting	
8.1	Monday 22 January 2018, 10am – Meeting Room 1, Annexe	ALL
8.2	Future dates set as follows: Tuesday 13 March 2018, 10am – Meeting Room 6, Annexe Tuesday 22 May 2018, 10am – Meeting Room 1, Annexe Tuesday 17 July 2018, 10am – Venue TBC Tuesday 18 September 2018, 10am – Venue TBC Tuesday 20 November 2018, 10am – Venue TBC	ALL