

Bude Partnership

Theme Groups: Transport



Minutes of a Meeting held on Wednesday 7th November 2007.

Present: Bryan Dudley Stamp, Peter Le Broy (part) and Ali Rowe: facilitator.

Agenda:

- 1 What (if anything needs changing in preparation for the second public consultation event on 10th Nov?
- 2 What can be pulled out from the comments so far, and what research can we be carrying out now?
- 3 How and when will this group meet next?

1 Further Consultation Event(s)

The comments etc on the subject of Town Centre had been circulated before the meeting. It was format for collecting data. Ali was congratulated on her PR following the last public consulatation event.

- 2 **Comments so far** (To be read in conjunction with the précis of comments previously circulated.)

Buses

It was agreed that contact should be made with Peter Harwood, to ask if he would work with the Partnership on the call for additional buses etc. Contact might also be made with David Hill-Smith in Stratton. (Action: Ali)

Barnstaple

Discussion took place around the links to Barnstaple, the Atlantic Highway and the proposed new car ferry to South Wales from Ilfracombe. As Bude is between North Devon and other tourist areas of Cornwall (e.g. Newquay) Bude must make the most of its geographical location, as projects develop.

Other Public Transport

Bryan reported that although it is possible to buy a through ticket fro London to 'Bude Strand' from Great Western (using a coach link fro Exeter) the link is not shown on South West Trains maps. (Link is only shown to Okehampton). Agreed Ali should contact SouthWest trains about this. (Action: Ali)

NOTE: Town Centre Theme group has also discussion a suggestion for a free bus around the town to/from beach car parks, town centre etc.

Walking and Cycling

It was agreed that Ali should make contact with Tim Dingle (NCDC) to discuss the current footpath/cycle track situation. He would be the person to contact about the apparent closure of the Broadclose footpath (diversion notice in place, but reports received that it has been closed. **(Action: Ali)**

3 Future Meetings:

It was agreed that Ali should send copies of the minutes to all those on the Town Centre Theme Group who had not managed to attend today, for their comments and information. All members will communicate with each other on their actions etc between now and the next meeting.

The next meeting of the Theme Group has not been fixed .