

South East Wales Transport Commission

University of South Wales, Newport

11:00 – 15:00 Thursday 23 January 2020

Attendees:

Lord Burns (Chair)

Lynn Sloman

James Davies

Stephen Gifford

Elaine Seagriff

Peter Jones

Peter McDonald (Secretariat)

Matt Jones (Secretariat)

Sam Thomas (Secretariat)

Karen Fulford (Secretariat)

Mari Williams (Secretariat)

George Bate (Technical Team)

Gareth Potter (Transport for Wales)

Apologies

Beverly Owen

Introduction and Secretariat Update

Lord Burns opened the meeting and shared his thoughts on recent activities, including the reaction to the Commission's *Progress Update* report and 'fast-track' recommendations.

The Secretariat gave an update on their recent work.

The Commission were advised that its work would now focus on longer-term interventions. There was a brief discussion on how the Commission would approach this phase of work.

Stakeholder Engagement

The Secretariat gave an update on stakeholder engagement work undertaken to date and set out plans for the rest of the year.

Stakeholder engagement plans for the next few months include: meetings with key stakeholders, travel surveys at strategic sites, and online public engagement.

Assessment Framework: objectives and criteria

There was a detailed discussion which included: overarching objectives, indicators, metrics, and assessment criteria.

The Commission agreed the basic principles to follow when evaluating interventions.

Traffic analysis and points of particular concentration

The Secretariat provided an overview on further traffic analysis work and suggested discussed options for structuring some of interventions around key strategic sites. The Commission discussed the particular points at which a significant volume of traffic joins or leaves the M4.

Options for improving rail transport within the region were briefly discussed, and will be further explored in future meetings.

Modelling

The Technical Team explained the model that will be used to estimate the impact of selected interventions. The Commissioners discussed the merits and possible limitations of the proposed model.

The model will be used alongside other analyses. Further work will be done to understand the sensitivity of the model to potential levers and also to understand other analytical tools that can be used.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Thursday 13 February