



## New Tyne Crossing Strategic Partnering Forum

### Meeting Minutes

02/06/08

Jarrow Town Hall, 2pm

Item	Action
Introductions: Cllr Jim Allan (NTMBC) Jackie Pamler (NTMBC) Linda Whitworth ('A' Team – East Howdon) Ian Hughes (Rose Hill Residents Action Group) Chris Rowell (Jarrow Neighbourhood Manager) Ken Tyrrell (Jarrow Neighbourhood Management Board) Cllr Jim Perry (STMBC) Cllr Tom Hanson (STMBC) Aileen Brewis (STMBC) Paul Fewick (TWPTA) Richard Simpson (TWPTA) Nicola Ashworth (PB) Fabrice Cao (Bouygues TP) John Hogger (Environment Agency) Mark Wilson (Tyne & Wear Partnership) Mike Page (Tyne & Wear Partnership) Trevor Jackson (TT2) Peter Hedley (TT2) Tamsin Greulich (TT2) James Hudson (TT2)	
Apologies; John Sheerin, Highways Agency Claire Lancaster, NTMBC Jim Darlington, One North East Simon Dove, One North East, Stuart Smith, Wood Holmes Group John Edwards, STMBC Nicolas Caille, BYGTP	



Rebekkah Watson, NECC	
<p><b>North Project Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hardening of A19 to provide a large tarmac area allowing flexibility during works whilst maintaining tunnel traffic flow.</li> <li>River works (piling to begin within Howdon Yard).</li> <li>An application is being processed by Newcastle City Council to begin works in the dry docks at Wallsend Yard. A FEPA licence has also been requested and is being processed by DEFRA.</li> <li>North Tyneside Council maintenance works are being conducted along Tyne View Terrace towards Willington Quay. Closing the link road between the Northumberland Dock Road roundabout and the Tyne Tunnel roundabout whilst these maintenance works are being conducted would create traffic problems deep into Willington Quay and Rose Hill.</li> </ul>	<p>TT2 to identify when the maintenance works due to finish and if it is feasible to delay link road closure.</p>
<p><b>South Project Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Design negotiations regarding Curlew Road accessibility between STMBC and Bouygues TP have delayed the fences being erected at Riverside Park on South. Anticipated fences will go up within the next few weeks.</li> <li>South Junction will undergo evening works to ensure the tunnel is functioning whilst enabling works commence. These works will involve removing traffic islands and hardening, creating a large tarmac area. This will allow for flexible working whilst ensuring the tunnel maintains capacity.</li> <li>Some of the work will take place in the evening. Noise mitigation discussions are taking place between BYGTP environmental team and STMBC. Noise monitoring will take place throughout.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>South Local Partnering Forum Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The meetings will be held the Tuesday prior to SPF meetings.</li> <li>Group is made up Jarrow Neighbourhood Management Board, with additional residents and community organisations. An evolving group which has</li> </ul>	<p>TG/JH to issue with 'draft' SPF minutes</p>

Comment [JH1]: Or is it HA?



<p>flexibility for further additions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group is aiming to provide a link from Residents to TT2 and SPF, and provide additional information when requested.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>North Local Partnering Forum Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First meeting has been held. Well attended and format accepted.</li> <li>Meetings will be held bi-monthly to SPF.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Highways Agency Investment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Traffic issues with regards to a series of roundabouts on the A19 corridor were raised. Investment needs to be targeted at <b>Seater (?)</b> roundabout, Moor Farm roundabout, Holystone roundabout, Testo Roundabout, and Silverlink roundabout. It is perceived that the new tunnel will only shift traffic problems to this roundabout.</li> <li>The Regional Transport Board has allocated money for A19 roundabouts. The Highways Agency are working on all mentioned previously. Initially, they want to complete Testo's roundabout. It is anticipated that they will then conduct activities on Seaton Burn and Moor Farm, as these are less complicated than the Silverlink roundabout, and the Agency don't have the technical staff at present to create suitable options for Silverlink.</li> <li>At Holystone roundabout, the Agency do have funding to widen the slip-roads, and there are plans to execute this in the next 12/18 months. However, there is now a wildlife settlement on this roundabout which is causing increased difficulties in planning for these works.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Silverlink Issue</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is an allocation within the Regional Funding for investment at Silverlink roundabout, scheduled to commence in 2014. However, this is too late as the tunnel's will be functional by 2011.</li> <li>Short term measures are in place at Silverlink roundabout. New signal software is being implemented to ease traffic problems in the short term. This software has been developed with respect to the New Tyne Crossing project.</li> <li>2014 is too late to begin works on the Silverlink</li> </ul>	<p>TT2 fully support this issue and will organise a series of meetings to get this issue addressed.</p>



<p>roundabout. It currently has massive traffic problems and cannot cope, putting enormous strain on local communities. Needs to be a push from TT2, Bouygues TP, Local Council, MP's, Councillors, Community Groups and local residents TOGETHER, to get this issue addressed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ A business forum is establishing itself within the Cobalt Business Park, these should be involved.</li><li>▪ TT2 recently met with NTMBC Mayor and are encouraged by his commitment to the scheme to address Silverlink Junction. Suggestions on how to address and solve the problem are being designed to take forward to the HA.</li></ul>	
<p><b>AOB</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Safety measures in the new tunnel will include fire suppression and escape corridors.</li><li>▪ Any complains from contractors regarding the odours from Northumbrian Water site at East Howdon should be communicated to Linda Whitworth, and will be added to the local residents campaign.</li></ul>	
<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Next meeting to be held on 04/08/08. 2pm at TT2 Offices, Conference Room 3.</li></ul>	