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LEGOLAND multi agency traffic meeting
17th September 2014

Attendees:

Sue Kemp	LEGOLAND Windsor Resort (LLW)	SK
Karl Phipp	LEGOLAND Windsor Resort (LLW)	IF
Liz Edwards	LEGOLAND Windsor Resort (LLW)	LE
Rachel Hill	Nathaniel Lichfield & Partners (NLP)	RH
Ben Smith	Royal Borough Windsor & Maidenhead (RBWM)	BS
Russell Bell	Royal Borough Windsor & Maidenhead (RBWM)	RB
Cllr Hill	Royal Borough Windsor & Maidenhead (RBWM)	CllrH
Wayne Carey	Highways Agency (HA)	WC
Steve Parsons	Motion	SP
Wayne Scott	Bracknell Forest Council (BFC)	WS
Matthew Jezzard	Surrey County Council (SCC)	MJ

1.	Overview of the meeting minutes	Action	Due Date
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SK thanked all for coming and confirmed key objective of meeting was to align on traffic trial results and discuss feedback from outside parties, permanent route next steps and discuss longer term solutions. SK ran through minutes of the previous meeting. All actions were completed. CllrH asked WC to send all data of when signage was over ridden during trial 1, 2 and 3. Some local people feel that data can't be correct if junction 8/9 wasn't used at all times. WC confirmed that an outside contractor would need to look at this. LE stated that she would see what we did already have on file and would send. RB to obtain data from WC and include as part of the analysis of the trials 	LE RB	
2.	LEGOLAND update		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SK confirmed to wider group that although she delivered less visitor numbers in peak season (as requested), carried out the traffic trials (as promised), and showed a minus 14% swing on Imperial Road LEGOLAND still had a planning application refused. However she wanted to make it clear that the working group will still be in place to seek to find traffic solutions as a good neighbour and responsible business. SK confirmed that RBWM have formed a Task and Finish group that unfortunately due to work commitments she can't attend, however the objective is to review all data, documents and ideas from this working group. Unfortunately no minutes are taken of the meeting, but BS 		



	<p>gave the group a verbal update of discussions to date.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SK confirmed that a local residents meeting took place at LEGOLAND on 03.09.14 where she received feedback that the local traffic was much better and they were delighted with the improvement. SK also mentioned that the local residents were surprised at the new ride refusal. (They asked why it was refused; when SK explained that local ward councillors and residents spoke on their behalf for the refusal the some of the room spoke of their surprise and dissatisfaction). SK confirmed that reduction of visitor numbers was discussed with the residents. 		
<p>3.</p>	<p>Permanent route - next steps</p>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SK asked group to confirm if after reading the traffic trial technical note 3 they agreed with all data and conclusions. Officers from HA, BFC, SCC, RBWM and CllrH all agreed with the report and had no queries regarding the data. CllH updated the group that Cllr David Burbage, the leader of the council and ward Councillor for Bray has requested a full and detailed report on the traffic trials. RB and BS will complete the Report to detail all additional information, including the traffic counters from August. RB confirmed that he believes a 14% reduction was seen in August, in line with April and May trials. CllrH confirmed that some local people still believe that given that on a couple of occasions signs were moved, or the motorway signs were switched off it invalidates the trial; he believes the trials were a success and hopes this report will finally answer any concerns. CllrH stated that he wanted to make the report clear that the alternative routes were chosen because they are higher capacity roads, therefore reducing the bottle neck on Winkfield Rd/Clewer Hill Rd/Imperial Rd and reducing the risk of traffic queuing back onto the M4 at junction 6 which is an unaccpetalbe safety risk to the Highways Agency - which were objectives when the group was formed. SK confirmed that traffic flowed from M4, J6 using the new Windsor route and from M25 J13 and M4 J8/9 - so would like to understand next steps from CllrH. CllrH confirmed that without the new report for Cllr Burbage J8/9 cannot be used or decided, however did feel the route worked. WC confirmed that M25 has far more motorway signage than M4 so the data for that junction cannot be contested. MJ 		



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	<p>confirmed that he was happy for HA to place a brown sign on J13 given that local brown signage is already in place, however did highlight that J13 will be having upgrades so team need to be mindful of that when works are taking place. WC suggested the brown sign therefore get placed soon so it will be considered during the upgrade planning process.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SK, WC and MJ to catch up out of the meeting regarding next steps. • WS confirmed that although did agree to have a trial at Easter 2015 on Junction 10 (with BFC and Wokingham BC approval) this option is now no longer an option. BFC could not be comfortable with any trial for the next 2-3 years due to further major junction works along the M4 to M3 (A329(M), A329, A322) corridor. After this time a conversation could be had but any trial would only be approved after the need for further options is identified and agreed. • WC confirmed that HA have seen the benefit of trials on J6 and given concerns last year about safety and potentially closing the junction they are pleased with the effectiveness of the traffic trials throughout this year. • Surrey, Bracknell and the HA confirmed they were happy with Technical Note 03 and had no quires regarding the data/results presented • . (Is this needed, replicates pervious discussions) • Group agreed this short term solution is positive and will allow further data throughout the summer holidays. • CllrH confirmed that if new local road signage continues to reduce the safety risk at junction 6 of the M4 and reduces congestion in the Windsor he would be in favour of it becoming a permanent solution feeding into the wider traffic plan. • 		
4.	Longer terms solutions		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BS confirmed that the RBWM team have carried out the survey and initial costings for highway improvements. BS showed a diagram with various talking points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1. create a three lane road on Winkfield Road (from Windsor), close to the LEGOLAND roundabout. The additional lane would be for local traffic to bypass LEGOLAND completely allowing a continuous flow for non-LEGOLAND traffic. 	BS	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2. Create a permanent filter lane on Winkfield Road (Ascot side) so traffic can free flow into LEOGLAND and local traffic can use the roundabout as normal ○ 3. Change the roundabout layout to allow continuous movement in and out of the Resort without affecting local traffic movement. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BS confirmed that costs are estimates at this stage, but with the filter lane, the full works to the roundabout could be around £1m. If the additional lane on the Windsor approach through the roundabout was removed, the costs may reduce to around £0.5m • BS confirmed that if work was to take place the RBWM would have to get quotes and go through a procurement process and the actual works could take up to 6 months. • BS confirmed that planning permission may also be needed; Cllr H asked if it work could take place under highway powers. • SK asked BS and CllrH who would be paying for these works as LEGOLAND had paid for all traffic trials for them to be dismissed by local Councillors. SK confirmed that sadly works may have once been able to be covered via a section 106 agreement with a planning application, but after the Haunted House refusal her CEO will no longer allow her to spend money when the Resort isn't able to be granted new rides and attractions. 		
6. AOB			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BS confirmed that now travel plan has been submitted Gordon Oliver (Travel Plan officer) and KP will need to work on action plan. KP as Operations Director will also act as the LLWR travel coordinator. KP and Gordon Oliver (via BS) to set up meeting outside of the group. • WC confirmed that his HA Director would like to visit SK on 05.11 -SK confirmed she would be delighted to meet with him. WC to send details to SK. • WC asked LE to send all information regarding their partnership for their newsletter. LE confirmed she'll send by 19.09.14 • Next meeting confirmed for 10am on Wednesday 25th November at the Mansion House, LEGOLAND Windsor 	SK	