Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee

Wednesday 16 March 2016 at 5.00 pm

To be held at the Town Hall, Pinstone Street, Sheffield, S1 2HH

The Press and Public are Welcome to Attend

Membership

Councillors Bob Johnson (Chair), Ian Auckland (Deputy Chair), Lewis Dagnall, Gill Furniss, Neale Gibson, Julie Gledhill, Ibrar Hussain, Helen Mirfin-Boukouris, Roy Munn, Robert Murphy, Joe Otten, Ray Satur, Martin Smith, Steve Wilson and Paul Wood

Substitute Members

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ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL WELLBEING SCRUTINY AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA 16 MARCH 2016

Order of Business

- 1. Welcome and Housekeeping Arrangements
- 2. Apologies for Absence
- 3. Exclusion of Public and Press

To identify items where resolutions may be moved to exclude the press and public

4. Declarations of Interest

(Pages 1 - 4)

Members to declare any interests they have in the business to be considered at the meeting

5. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

(Pages 5 - 10)

To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 17th February, 2016

6. Public Questions and Petitions

To receive any questions or petitions from members of the public

7. Bus Services in Sheffield

(Pages 11 - 22)

(a) Petitions referred from the Council meeting held on 2nd December, 2015

Report of the Policy and Improvement Officer

(b) Sheffield Bus Partnership – Review of Network Changes

To receive a presentation from Stephen Edwards, Director, SYPTE, on the review and the lessons learnt

In attendance will be members of the Sheffield Bus Partnership, including bus operators, SYPTE and Sheffield City Council – Councillor Terry Fox (Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport) and David Caulfield (Director of Development Services)

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on a date to be arranged

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 the consideration of the item of business or as soon as the interest becomes
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 - under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and
 - which has not been fully discharged.

- Any beneficial interest in land which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, have and which is within the area of your council or authority.
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 partner, holds to occupy land in the area of your council or authority for a month
 or longer.
- Any tenancy where (to your knowledge)
 - the landlord is your council or authority; and
 - the tenant is a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest.
- Any beneficial interest which you, or your spouse or your civil partner has in securities of a body where -
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 - (b) either -
 - the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or
 - if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

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 electoral area for which you have been elected or otherwise of the Authority's
 administrative area, or
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SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL Agenda Item 5

Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee

Meeting held 17 February 2016

PRESENT: Councillors Bob Johnson (Chair), Ian Auckland (Deputy Chair),

Lewis Dagnall, Neale Gibson, Julie Gledhill, Helen Mirfin-Boukouris, Roy Munn, Robert Murphy, Joe Otten, Ray Satur, Martin Smith and

Paul Wood

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Gill Furniss, Ibrar Hussain and Steve Wilson.

2. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

2.1 No items were identified where resolutions may be moved to exclude the public and press.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3.1 There were no declarations of interest.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 16th December 2015, were approved as a correct record.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS

- 5.1 Alan Kewley referred to the decision to transfer the venue of the next meeting of the Sheffield City Region Combined Authority Transport Committee, on 29th February 2016, from Barnsley to Sheffield, and to an informal meeting to be held at Sheffield Town Hall in the morning of that day, arranged by the Sheffield Bus Partnership, to allow more open discussion before the Transport Committee meets, and raised the following questions:-
 - (a) Please can the above meeting arrangements for 29th February 2016, be confirmed:
 - (b) How will notice of the formal meeting be publicised in order to maximise awareness?; and
 - (c) In the light of the fact that normal webcasting facilities may be lost, following the transfer of the venue from Barnsley to Sheffield, what are the future plans for webcasting facilities in Sheffield Town Hall?

5.2 It was suggested that the Policy and Improvement Officer (Alice Nicholson) should seek clarification in terms of the arrangements for both the informal and formal meetings to be held on 29th February 2016, together with details of future plans for webcasting facilities in Sheffield Town Hall, and forward a response to Mr Kewley and members of the Committee.

6. THE FUTURE ROLE OF THE CITY CENTRE

- 6.1 The Committee received a joint presentation from Edward Highfield, Director of Creative Sheffield, and Richard Eyre, Head of City Centre Management and Major Events, on the future role of the City Centre.
- 6.2 Mr Highfield stated that the presentation would inform and update Members on the future of the City Centre, following the Committee's meeting held on 8th October 2014, at which Members received presentations from representatives of the City Centre retail, leisure and business sectors.
- 6.3 Mr Highfield provided a brief overview of the economic role of the City Centre, indicating that city centres were unique economic engines, comprising educational, civic, leisure, commercial and other assets, and stressed the increasing importance of attracting and retaining a talented workforce.
- 6.4 Members of the Committee raised questions and the following responses were provided:-
 - Retail rankings were provided by CICI data. Whilst details were not available
 at the meeting, and would be circulated to Members, the general trend was
 the City Centre had dropped in the retail rankings in recent years. The data,
 however, splits the City Centre from Meadowhall and that, when added
 together, the City's retail performance was strong.
 - Although Sheffield had higher levels of graduate retention than other Core Cities, nearly all the Core Cities were losing highly skilled workers, aged between 25 and 35, to London. Evidence suggested that the high graduate retention rate was reduced after 18-24 months after graduation as workers left to find the second or third "career jobs". This reflects the lower levels of headquarter functions in Sheffield than other cities.
 - One initiative that had helped provide jobs for graduates in the City was RISE Sheffield, a major City-wide initiative to increase graduate employment in small and medium sized enterprises. RISE, which was a collaboration between City partners, the City Council, the two Sheffield Universities and the private sector, was now in its 7th cohort.
 - The Council received, on average, around 50 serious inward investment enquiries a year, with around one in five of these resulting in a business relocating to the City. Whilst existing businesses in the City Centre contributed to the City's economy, more inward investment was required in order to provide an extra boost.

- Increasingly, cities must compete for mobile, talented employees. This does not just mean external people, but was also about local residents who may otherwise choose to live and work elsewhere.
- 6.5 Edward Highfield and Richard Eyre then provided updates on the seven key areas in terms of the future role of the City Centre, and provided responses to the questions raised, as follows:-

6.5.1 Sheffield BID

- As funding had already been secured in terms of the major events in the City Centre, such as Tramlines, funding from the BID would be used to support other, smaller scale events.
- In order to keep the BID's overheads down, the Council had offered the use of office space in the Town Hall, rent-free, for a temporary period. This arrangement was also considered beneficial as the BID's staff would be working alongside Council staff, and it was considered important that both parties worked collaboratively. Whilst the BID would not be paying any rent, they would be paying any additional costs to Kier.
- In terms of the Council's representation on the BID Board, the original preference had been for there to be political representation but, after seeking legal advice on this, in the light of a possible conflict of interest, it was likely that the Executive Director, Place, would be the Council's representative on the Board. There were instances in other cities where there was political representation on their respective BID boards.
- In terms of best practice, Sheffield was a member of British BIDs, where advice and assistance had been sought with regard to best practice relating to the establishment of the BID. It was the intention that Sheffield would remain a member of British BIDs. The BID manager (Diane Jarvis) had been mentored by the Chief Executive of the Leeds BID.
- Whilst the BID concentrated mainly on retail businesses, there had and would continue to be, consultation with office-based businesses in the City Centre in terms of social responsibilities and recruiting and retaining the right staff. There were also proposals to increase the number of City Centre Ambassadors, whose role would include assisting office-based businesses, and they would also benefit from an improved cleaning regime in the City Centre.
- Office-based businesses would contribute around 57% of a total levy raised as part of the BID, and a majority of around 87% of office-based businesses voted 'yes' for the BID.
- The BID was a limited by guarantee company, with all Board members being non-executive directors, and the representation on the Board had been

decided by a majority vote of the members.

6.5.2 Sheffield Retail Quarter

- In terms of progress made in respect of the scheme, in 2015, the Council had purchased the land from Hammerson and HCA, refreshed the scheme, submitted an outline planning application and commenced procurement of the Development partner.
- The majority of funding for the scheme would come from the private sector.
 The refreshed scheme had been influenced by the public, and now included
 more positive features, as well as being more respectful to existing buildings
 in the area. There would be further consultation at the detailed planning
 application stage.
- Although details of what was to be included in the scheme were not available at the meeting, it was envisaged that there would be a high percentage of leisure facilities, including bars and restaurants. Details as to what would be included in the scheme would be decided following the submission of the outline planning application. It was hoped that there would be a reasonable mix of business, leisure and retail facilities. The final mix of leisure facilities, including food and beverage, would be determined by the final developer, responding to market interest and industry norms.
- Early enabling works were to commence shortly, with demolition planned to commence later in the year.
- Every effort would be made to ensure that any disruption to residents living in the City Centre area was kept to a minimum.
- As the landowner, the Council would have an influence in terms of ensuring that any changes to the public transport network in the City Centre complemented the scheme.
- Although there had been a rise in internet shopping, and that there may be less floor space and less stock in shops, as they move more to a product 'click and collect' approach, the view of the retailers was that there was still a wide range of choice for shoppers and strong demand for the Sheffield Retail Quarter.
- Issues regarding changes to the transport links in and around the City Centre area and how the scheme would fit in with the likely increased demand for services in the City Centre, due to the rising population, would be considered and addressed as part of the refresh of the City Centre Masterplan.

6.5.3 Night-Time Economy

 It was accepted that there were still a number of issues regarding conflict between residents living in the City Centre and licensed premises, but it was considered that considerable progress had been made in this reagrd. Issues relating to such conflict were being considered as part of the City Centre Masterplanning process. The fact that the City had secured 'Purple Flag' status again and the winning of the 'Best Overall Scheme' and 'Most Innovative Scheme' categories at the National Best Bar None Awards 2016, had helped to keep the City Council and the licensed trade focused in terms of potential conflict between the night-time economy and local residents.

- Whilst the area covered in terms of the 'Purple Flag' status included the BID boundary, which comprised the area within the old inner ring road, there were plans to look at areas with a high concentration of licensed premises just outside the City Centre, such as Ecclesall Road, being awarded certain elements of the status.
- As part of the achievements of 'Purple Flag' status, there had been a commitment from both the Council and the police in terms of the baselining of a number of core services, in the form of a commitment for the next five years.

6.5.4 A Council Responsive to Business

• It was accepted that, as with every city, there had been issues with regard to businesses dealing with the Council's Planning Service, and there was a need for the Council to work much better with individuals or developers to assist them with their queries or applications. It was appreciated that the Planning Service had various rules and regulations which had to be adhered to, but it was important that they worked with individuals or developers to try and come to a satisfactory outcome for both parties. In terms of large-scale developments, it was accepted that there would be more issues to deal with, but every effort should be made to ensure there was regular contact with the developers in order to keep them updated in terms of each stage of the planning process.

6.5.5 <u>Communication with Businesses</u>

No questions were raised in relation to this element.

6.5.6 Accessibility Into and Around the City Centre

 It was accepted that there were issues in terms of accessibility to the City Centre, particularly from London Road, in terms of the ring road. Discussions had been held with the owners of The Moor in connection with possible methods of enabling and improving pedestrian flow from the London Road area to Moorfoot.

6.5.7 A Vibrant, Mixed Use City Centre

 Whilst it was difficult to predict what additional housing would be required during the life of the Council's Local Plan, there was a need to ensure that the City Centre Masterplan was dovetailed with the Local Plan in this respect.

• Section 106 funding was shortly to be replaced by the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), which would have a very clear list of priority investments, so should be very transparent.

6.6 RESOLVED: That the Committee:-

- (a) notes the information reported as part of the presentation, together with the responses to the questions raised;
- (b) thanks Edward Highfield and Richard Eyre for attending the meeting, making the presentation and responding to the questions raised; and
- (c) requests that the issues raised by Members be forwarded to the Director of Creative Sheffield, and used to inform the refresh of the City Centre Masterplan.

WORK PROGRAMME 2015/16

- 7.1 The Committee received and noted a report of the Policy and Improvement Officer, attaching the draft Work Programme for 2015/16.
- 7.2 The Committee noted that the item regarding Bus Services in Sheffield would be the main agenda item for the meeting to be held on 16th March, 2016.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

8.1 It was noted that the next meeting of the Committee would be held on Wednesday, 16th March 2016, at 5.00 pm, in the Town Hall.



Report to Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee 16th March 2016

Report of:	Policy and Improvement Officer	
Subject:	Bus services in Sheffield - petitions referred from Full Council	
Author of Report:	Alice Nicholson, Policy and Improvement Officer 0114 27 35065 alice.nicholson@sheffield.gov.uk	

Summary:

Full Council on 2nd December 2015 received 6 petitions in respect of changes to bus services from 1st November 2015 put in place through Sheffield Bus Partnership. Full Council resolved that the 6 petitions be referred to the appropriate Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee for consideration. Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee is the appropriate one.

The 6 petitions minus signatures are attached as appendices. Key message of each petition is summarised in this report.

Type of item: The report author should tick the appropriate box

Type of item. The report author should tick the appropriate box			
Reviewing of existing policy			
Informing the development of new policy			
Statutory consultation			
Performance / budget monitoring report			
Cabinet request for scrutiny			
Full Council request for scrutiny	X		
Community Assembly request for scrutiny			
Call-in of Cabinet decision			
Briefing paper for the Scrutiny Committee			
Other			

The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:

- Consider the petitions referred from Full Council
- Agree recommendations for action

Background Papers:

Category of Report: OPEN

1. Introduction/Context

1.1 The 6 petitions were referred to the appropriate policy development and scrutiny committee by Full Council on December 2nd 2015.

RESOLVED: That the 6 petitions reported to this meeting relating to the changes to bus services in the city from 1st November 2015, be noted, and the issue be referred to the appropriate Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee and the South Yorkshire Passenger Transport Executive for consideration, and be brought to the attention of the Minister for Transport for consideration as part of the forthcoming Buses Bill announced in this year's Queen's Speech.

2. Petitions

2.1 Six petitions were received by Full Council on 2nd December 2015. One petition has 12,384 signatures, therefore over the trigger of 5,000 for petition requiring debate and was debated at Council. See - http://sheffielddemocracy.moderngov.co.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=11806

	SUMMARY OF PETITION	No. signatures	Route operators
1	Reversal of Changes to Bus services Nos. 66; 1 and 1A; 85 and 86	437	First; First & Stagecoach
2	Urgent reconsideration of the proposed changes to the Route No. 10a bus service	148	Sheffield Community Transport
3	Requesting a public meeting with Cllr Terry Fox and the Sheffield Bus Partnership to discuss the changes to the bus services	16	
4	Opposing cuts to Sheffield bus services	512	
5	Requesting that the cuts to bus services are reversed	900	
6	Requesting the reversal of the changes to buses in Sheffield from November 2015: "please return the services that worked and allowed everyone to get to where they are going."	12,384 (electronic)	

3 What does this mean for the people of Sheffield?

3.1 The level and nature of the response of the public of Sheffield to the bus service changes put in place on1st November 2015 shows the strength of feeling of how important these are to the people of Sheffield; the impact specific route changes have had on individuals and communities.

4. Recommendation

4.1 The committee is asked to consider the petitions and agree recommendation(s) for action.

Petition Requesting the Reversal of Changes to Bus Service Nos. 66, 1 and 1A, and 85 and 86

I have received a petition containing 437 signatures, requesting the reversal of changes to bus service nos. 66, 1 and 1A, and 85 and 86.

John Yale wishes to address the Council.

It is recommended that the petition is referred to Councillor Terry Fox, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport.

Petition from High Green Action Team

The attached petition has been produced by the communities of High Green, Burncross, Chapeltown and Grenoshide regarding the changes and timetabling of the routes services 66, 1, 1A, 85 & 86.

The changes to the 66 have affected elderly and vulnerable people who live on the Greengate Lane end of Foster Way can get to the shops, the Doctors and Chapletown but cannot get back to their homes, this unacceptable and needs to be dealt with.

As for the 1 and 1A services we were clearly told that both these buses would follow the same routes as the 75 and 87 between High Green and Town. This is not the case, as now passengers can no longer access the Herries Road entrance to the Northern General hospital and as far as I am aware this is not the route agreed by SCC.

Once again High Green has suffered because of a lack of clear consultation with local people. I would also like to point out regarding students using the 66 do not conform to regular school time tables and travel to and from Rotherham throughout the day, also people attending Rotherham hospital do not conform with peak times either.

The 85 & 86 route which is now down to two per hour, and quite often doesn't turn up, leaving people standing waiting an hour for a bus.

We do not think that any of the above is acceptable and would like to see some action on this matter taken immediately.

Regards

High Green Action Team. info@highgreenactionteam.com

We, the undersigned, urgently call on Sheffield Bus Partnership to reverse:

- 1. controversial bus cuts to Service 66 (Rotherham to High Green) operated by First.
- 2. Route changes to services 1 and 1a, operated by Stagecoach and First.
- 3. The alterations to route 85 and 86.

Petition organised by High Green Action Team, on behalf of the community of High Green, Burncross, Chapeltown and Grenoside.

Petition Requesting Urgent Reconsideration of the Proposed Changes to the Route of the No. 10a Bus Service

I have received a petition containing 148 signatures, requesting urgent reconsideration of the proposed changes to the route of the No. 10a bus service.

Yvonne Collins wishes to address the Council.

It is recommended that the petition is referred to Councillor Terry Fox, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport.

PETITION TO SYPTE

We, the undersigned, request an urgent reconsideration of the proposed changes to the route of the 10a Bus Service. We believe that the proposed route from Sheffield City Centre to Netherthorpe and Upperthorpe will fail to serve the needs of our community. The loss of a pick-up point on Charter Row behind Atkinsons means that elderly people and those with disabilities will no longer be able to use the Moor market and shops, as they will be unable to walk with shopping to the pick-up on Furnival Gate. This bus service is very important to our community – please do not decimate it!

Petition Requesting a Public Meeting with Councillor Terry Fox and the Sheffield Bus Partnership to Discuss the Changes to the Bus Services

I have received an electronic petition containing 16 signatures, requesting a public meeting with Councillor Terry Fox and the Sheffield Bus Partnership, to discuss the changes to the bus services.

Paul Fidler wishes to address the Council.

It is recommended that the petition is referred to Councillor Terry Fox, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport.



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To have a public meeting with Cllr Terry Fox, Sheffield Bus Partnership to discuss the city's bus se

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We the undersigned petition the Council to : have a public meeting with Cllr Terry Fox, Sheffield Bus Partnership to discuss the city's bus services since 1st November 2015.

organise a public meeting with Cllr Terry Fox, Sheffield Bus Partnership, so they can hear first-hand what we the passengers and paying customers of Sheffield and surrounding areas think about the irrational changes to bus services in sheffield.

Joanne Lumley of Greenhill started a petition "Reverse the changes to buses in Sheffield from November 2015", which prompted the partnership to have a meeting regarding the shambolic changes to bus services in Sheffield. If you've not sign this petition you can find it here, https://goo.gl/AxyBFU. Please continue to sign regardless.

Following on from that very meeting Cllr Terry Fox, issued a statement, 19th November 2015. This basically says nothing is going to change, this is not only disgraceful, but shows that people of authority are not prepared to listen to public opinion.

It's now our job to make the Sheffield Bus Partnership listen and get them to meet with the passengers of Sheffield that are dissatisfied with the service changes and to promote positive change.

I hope we all agree changes need to happen, because of the punishing cuts from central government (another subject), but not to turn the bus services upside down in such a way it leaves people struggling to get to work on-time, doubling the amount of buses required by passengers just to get to and from work, making sure or children can get to school in good time and not be left walking miles in wintery dark conditions and trapping thousands of elderly at home because their local service has disappeared.

Please sign this new petition and share, share, share this far and wide, Facebook, Twitter, email and conversation and let the people of Sheffield speak out and be heard.

Started by: Paul Fidler (Paul Fidler)

This e-Petition ran from 21/11/2015 to 01/12/2015 and has now finished.

16 people signed this e-Petition.

Petition Opposing Cuts to Sheffield Bus Services

I have received a petition containing 512 signatures, opposing the cuts to Sheffield bus services.

Sharon Milsom wishes to address the Council.

It is recommended that the petition is referred to Councillor Terry Fox, Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport.







STOP THE BUS CUTS

OPPOSE CUTS TO CONCESSIONARY TRAVEL FOR CHILDREN, ELDERLY & DISABLED

We the undersigned condemn the cuts to Sheffield bus services being implemented by First and Stagecoach and voted through without adequate consultation by SYPTE and Sheffield Council. We are also opposed to the inadequate and divisive consultation that SYPTE has announced designed to demonstrate acceptance of further cuts to subsidised bus services and to concessionary travel for children, the elderly and disabled. We therefore call on the Council and the SYPTE to suspend all changes pending effective consultation and to refuse to implement the austerity cuts imposed by the Tory Government.

Petition Calling on the Sheffield Bus Partnership to Reverse the Bus Cuts

I have received an electronic petition containing 913 signatures calling on the Sheffield Bus Partnership to reverse the bus cuts.

Andy Nash wishes to address the Council.

It is recommended that the petition is referred to Councillor Terry Fox, Cabinet member for Environment and Transport.

We, the undersigned, call on Sheffield Bus Partnership to reverse the bus cuts which have caused chaos across Sheffield. (913 signatures)

Petition Requesting the Reversal of the Changes to Buses in Sheffield from November 2015

I have received an electronic petition containing over 12384 signatures, requesting the reversal of the changes to buses in Sheffield from November 2015.

Joanne Lumley wishes to address the Council.

As the petition contains more than 5000 signatures and, at the request of the lead petitioner, under the Council's Petitions Scheme, the petition will be subject to a public debate by the Council.

Reverse the changes to buses in Sheffield from November 2015



Joanne Lumley
Sheffield, United Kingdom
12,584
Supporters

The bus services in Sheffield changed on 1st of November. It has been a horrendous first week of implementation with crowded buses, reduced services and congested roads.

Less services are affecting all walks of life and are crowding increasingly busy buses. It appears that the congestion has been far worse in just the first week of the new services introduction - although this is yet to be established.

We are asking Sheffield City Council to return to the services that worked before and a service that allows everyone to get to where they are going.

Please sign this petition to reverse the changes to our buses and bring back a bus service that the people of Sheffield need.

Letter to Sheffield City Council Reverse the changes to buses in Sheffield from November 2015

Joanne Lumley started this petition with a single signature, and now has 12,584 supporters. Start a petition today to change something you care about.