

Project:	<b>Tyne &amp; Wear Freight Action Plan</b>	Job No/Ref:	<b>48725TALT</b>
Purpose:	<b>Freight Partnership Meeting</b>	Date held:	<b>09.05.06</b>
Held at:	Carloli Rooms Newcastle Civic Centre	Made by:	Michael Page

Present:	Kyle Maylard	Highways Agency	Distribution: All
	Susan Darroch	North Tyneside	
	Colin Engleby	Co-op Retail Logistics	
	Martin Murphy	NECTAR	
	John Robertson	Newcastle City Council	
	Mark Wilson	Tyne and Wear LTP Team	
	Stuart Corker	Gateshead	
	Mike Page	Faber Maunsell	
	David Arthur	Faber Maunsell	
	Malcolm Dodds	Road Haulage Association	
	Jonathan James	Faber Maunsell	
	Gordon Carr	ILT	
	Rohail Ahmed	Newcastle City Council	
Apologies:	Chris Clennal	Birtley Truck Stop	
	Bob Brown	Robert Horne Transport	
	Tony Wilkinson	Axial Logistics	
	Udo Joerges	Co-op Retail logistics	
	Stuart Clarke	South Tyneside	
	John Edwards	South Tyneside	
	N Roper	GONE	
	Nigel Cooke	Elddis transport	
	Malcolm Bingham	Freight Transport Association	
	Colin Gransbury	AG Barr	
	Derek Krohn	Antalis	
	Nick Ashworth	Co-op Logistics (chilled)	
	Steve Brown	EMR	
	D Short	Eric Short	
	Steve Farrell	Exel	
	George Slough	Severn side recycling	
	Philipa Nelson	Newcastle International Airport	
Dave West	Port of Tyne Distribution		
Chris Trotter	Port of Tyne Logistics		

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<b>1</b>	<b>Introduction</b> MW welcomed all attendees to the meeting and provided an overview of the agenda.	
<b>2</b>	<b>Minutes of the Last Meeting</b> Minutes of the last meeting were approved with one small adjustment to the text funding in section 4. The first sentence should read 'The Highways Agency have indicated that they would be willing to fund signage improvements on the trunk road network'.	

**3 No Car lanes**

MW explained the progress on the tenders for the No car lanes. The brief went out to eight companies - the deadline for submission of proposals was 5<sup>th</sup> May 2006.

An group is to be set up to review the proposals with four people on the panel. The scrutiny of the proposals will be carried out using the appraisal methodology

- ❖ Value for money
- ❖ Methodology
- ❖ Achieving the recognised criteria

The group will sit and review the submissions week commencing the 15<sup>th</sup> May. A decision is to be made by the end of May. MW

**4 Freight Map Distribution and Launch**

MP explained that the map was launched officially at the Freight Best Practice event held in Sunderland on the 21<sup>st</sup> March 2006. It was well received by the attendees at the seminar.

The RHA also presented the map on their exhibition stand at the Commercial Vehicle Show at the NEC Birmingham.

*Map Distribution*

The map was distributed to a range of organisations as follows:

Outlet	Quantity
Tyne and Wear Authorities	50 each
Birtley Truck Stop	350
Port of Tyne (North Shields)	150
Port of Tyne (South Shields)	100
Port of Sunderland	25
Newcastle Airport	50
Durham County Council	50
Northumberland County Council	50
Freight Transport Association	50
Road Haulage Association	150
Bridges Management Centre	75
Eldon Square Management Centre	75
Metro Centre Management	75
Durham Sevices (Bowburn)	50
Traffic Commissioners	10
Best Connections	10
Drive Hire	10
NAS Recruitment	10
Manpower	10
WSS (Staff Wise)	10
First Choice	10
LME Commercial	10
Prudy Lodge Truck Stop	30
A19 South Truck Stops	150

One copy of the map was sent to an extended list of operators identified and logged at the time of the Nature of Freight study in April 2004. The Partnership suggested the map be sent to some of the larger manufacturers such as Proctor and Gamble and Avert Dennison.

The map has proved very popular at Birtley Truck Stop, who have requested additional copies as they only have few left (from 350 copies).

It was agreed that FM would look into the costs for re-printing the map.

#### *Map Launch and Press*

FTA published a Press release through the Truck Trader and Transport News Network

<http://www.autotrader.co.uk/TRUCKS/news/release.jsp?year=2006&month=april&section=docs&feed=tnn&release=freightmap>

<http://www.tnn.co.uk/UKNews/plonearticle.2006-04-11.3533624086>

There also been an article in the Surveyor magazine. Helen Blaby of BBC Five Live and recommended it to Lynn Bowles of Radio 2, who also requested a copy. FM also explained that the map was features on Look North in o the week commencing 01.05.06.

## 5 Website

DA presented a draft version of the new Website for the Tyne and Wear Freight Partnership. The site sets out the following:

- ❖ purpose on the Partnership (home page);
- ❖ news;
- ❖ an electronic version of the freight map;
- ❖ 2006/07 Action plan;
- ❖ Information on Freight Best Practice; and
- ❖ Contacts and links.

The partnership agreed with the concept of the site and suggested a number of additions:

- ❖ Including more pictures from around the northeast on the front page;
- ❖ Link to the nature of Freight Study;
- ❖ LTP contacts and website link;
- ❖ State the purpose of the site;
- ❖ Includes Minutes of meetings;
- ❖ Information on the 'No-Car Lanes' work;
- ❖ Link to the new Highways Agency Truckstop Guide;
- ❖ Information on Birtley Truckstop;
- ❖ Introduce postcode finder facility on the map;
- ❖ Link to the freight section of the DfT website; and
- ❖ Question tabs like "how to I get to"?

These will all be investigated to ascertain the viability of inclusion. It is envisaged that a final draft version will be available online before the next Partnership meeting. Access to the site will be restricted to members of the Partnership, who will be issues with a user ID and password. It was also suggested that a mechanism should be set in place to record the number of hits on the site.

FM

6 **Bespoke Mapping**

FM are to produce bespoke maps for key freight destinations. The maps will identify preferred routes and include directions. The following organisations have been contacted and have provided their agreement reached for such a map:

Site	Location
Asda	Sunderland
Metro centre	Gateshead
NorthTyne Industrial Estate	North Tyneside
Eldon square	Newcastle
Bridges, Sunderland	Sunderland
Gateshead East	Gateshead
Birtley Truck Stop	Gateshead
Port of Tyne ( South Shields)	South Tyneside
Port of Sunderland	Sunderland
Salters Road Industrial Estate	Newcastle
Kingston Park	Newcastle

FM have acquired the relevant mapping and the first draft of two tailored maps will be available for the next meeting.

FM

7 **Signing Recommendations**

*South Tyneside Meeting*

DA explained that good progress has been made regarding signage to the Port of Tyne (South Shields) as South Tyneside have identified the A185 as the preferred route. A joint meeting has been set up (23<sup>rd</sup> May) with South Tyneside and the Highways Agency to discuss the progression of this. A signage expert from Faber Maunsell will attend the meeting and the Port of Tyne will also attend. FM to report progress at the next meeting.

*Naming of Junctions*

It was reported that the HA have been interested in naming junctions on the A19 and that this would be highly beneficial for freight traffic. The Partnership agreed that the names could be assigned to a number of junctions as follows:

- Killingworth (A19/A1056)
- Holystone (A19/A191)
- Wallsend Road (A19/A193)
- Tyne Tunnel South (A19/A185)
- Lindisfarne (A19/A194)

The junction of the A19 with the A1058 is still the subject of some discussion amongst the Partnership and the highways Agency. The HA's preference is 'Coast Road', to enable consistency with the TPI major scheme, whereas the preference of North Tyneside is 'Silverlink', which is the more commonly know local name. KM to report at the next meeting on what timescales could be achieved for the naming of junctions.

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*North Tyneside Meeting*

DA reported that the survey has been completed of freight traffic around the A191 and A1058 junctions. This was undertaken to validate the recommendation to provide signing to encourage freight traffic bound for local industrial estates to use

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	<p>A191 junction as opposed to the A1058 junction. FM to set up a joint meeting with North Tyneside and the Highways Agency to discuss the progression of the recommendations.</p> <p><i>Funding</i></p> <p>MW has negotiated with the 5 Local authorities to allocate £20,000 per year from the LTP funding for each of the local authorities. This will be used to progress the actions from the Partnership.</p>	FM
<b>8</b>	<p><b>AOB</b></p> <p>MW explained that the LPT2 was now complete and that chapter 6 is full of relevant freight information. The LTP team are now to review the delivery report for the last 5 years.</p> <p>SC of Gateshead explained that there was renewed interest in the rail marshalling sidings at Lamesley to tranship cars. The initial forecast volumes are relatively small. GC suggested that Port of Tyne were currently in discussions with Network Rail to upgrade the link from the port.</p>	
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Date of Next meeting</b></p> <p>The next meeting will be held at Newcastle Civic Centre on Tuesday <b>5<sup>th</sup> September 2006 10.30am</b></p>	

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