

TEC 07.03.24 – Notes

Papers are here...

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5.1 Work Programme - Expected dates of future Committee reports.

April 25

- Workplace Parking Levy
- Road Safety Delivery Plan
- Local Improvements programme
- Roads capital investment programme 24/25 [this lists planned road resurfacing projects]
- Cycle Hire update
- Major junctions review update
- “Data on Safety for Cyclists and Cycling Uptake” ??
- Accessibility Commission update

May 23

- On street secure bike parking
- ATINP update
- Charlotte Sq ETRO
- George St, seeking Stage 3 design approval
- 7-7-7 bus lane trial
- Experimental North bridge corridor closure
- Powderhall railway

5.2 Rolling Actions Log – Not yet published

- Massive list as always – not checked

6.1 Business Bulletin - info for councillors on topics of interest. *Deputations and councillor questions on these items is still possible.* Includes...

- **p3-5 Active Travel investment cash. Major change** in how Scot Gov AT cash will be disbursed to local councils from 24/25 on. These are Scot Gov decisions, not Council.
 - Sustrans will only pay for design (apart from existing projects)
 - Capital will be from a new fund ATIF, more generous than the previous Sustrans PfE in terms of match funding requirements BUT only open once or twice a year, only to schemes at tender-ready stage, **AND will be only for one year**, so multi-year projects have to reapply each year in the *hope* of funding – so a very big risk for major council AT projects.
 - CWSS, the ring-fenced fund which has for many years gone to all councils on a per capital basis, will be scrapped and replaced by a non-ring-fenced fund of similar value. However, if it is not spent on active travel, the council loses (some or all?) eligibility for ATIF cash. With councils being very hard up, some, particularly smaller ones, may decide to cease any AT investment, so they can reallocate the money to a non-transport service, as happened in a good many councils prior to the introduction of CWSS.
 - Behaviour-change cash (SCSP), previously through Paths for All and Cycling Scotland, will also end, to be replaced by a ‘People & Places’ scheme where RTPs rather than individual councils bid for the cash. Does this mean schemes like Cycling Scotland’s “Cycle Friendly Employer” cash will end? (There may be some additional direct cash to those councils with existing behaviour change projects funded in the old way).

- **p6-7 AT Behaviour Change projects 24/25.** As explained above, SCSP is being scrapped and Scot Gov cash will now be via RTPs, so SEStran, our RTP, is working up a region-wide bid for its 9 councils. Edinburgh is seeking cash for a Behaviour change team, bike hire scheme, maximising CCWEL & Roseburn-Canal uptake, school bike parking, onstreet bike parking and onstreet secure bike storage
- **p7-8 Continental-style zebra crossings** – Council working with Transform Scotland to persuade Scotgov to allow trials; Council also trying them out on non-public roads, so it is legal.
- **p11-15 Accessibility update** – includes inaugural mtg of Accessibility Commission on **6 March** – **we had a deputation at the Jan TEC and TEC decided Spokes must be included (thanks to an amendment by Cllr Aston) but no invite has been received.** The final motion (from [minutes](#))...
 - **Decision**
 - *To approve the following adjusted motion by Councillor Arthur:*
 - *1) To note the Terms of Reference and next steps for establishing an Accessibility Commission for Edinburgh.*
 - *2) To recognise disabled people who cycled had insights and experiences which would be of key value to the future work of the Accessibility Commission and to **therefore agree to add a commissioner nominated by Spokes** to the list at paragraph 2.7 of the report.*
- **P13-14 Corstorphine Connections** noting the current Experimental Traffic Orders position. NB – market research quoted showing 46% of residents support the scheme, 26% oppose.

7.2 Healthcare Worker and Carer (Parking) Permits

- Carer parking permits to be introduced – requires a TRO

7.3 Travelling Safely Greenbank to Meadows Quiet Connection Public Engagement and Next Steps

- Further proposals resulting from the [Oct 2023 consultation](#). [Our response](#) at that time.
- Affecting 2 sections, ClintonRd/whitehouse Loan and Braid Estate – Committee asked which options should be implemented
- I'm finding the details too confusing, but note that *two of the Braid estate options are so costly that they would postpone other AT projects*
- **Sounds like Spokes South Ed should do a deputation?**

8.1 Traffic Orders

- This seeks to reverse the (mad) policy introduced last year that final decisions on Traffic Orders should be taken by Licensing Subcommittee rather than by the Transport Committee. There are a few complexities in the paper, but that's the basic message

9.1 Motion by Councillor Lang - Additional Capital Investment in Transport

- This non-controversial motion seems merely to be congratulating the council on putting more cash into potholes & other maintenance schemes. Probably aim is to get publicity, as it was (I think) a Lib Dem initiative.
- Also asks for info on Water of Leith spending – was this their initiative too?

9.3 Motion by Councillor Mowat - CCWEL Project (City Centre West to East Link)

“Council notes the large number of complaints received about the design, construction and implementation of the CCWEL project from Roseburn to Charlotte Square and considers that residents' concerns should be addressed and calls for a report to review:

- 1. The process from commissioning to design and implementation and*
- 2. To consider lessons learned so that any further projects progress more smoothly and quickly.”*