

11 Wichelstowe Travel Plan Steering Group

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Wichelstowe Travel Plan Steering Group meeting

Tue 24 Feb, 14:00 - 15:30

IN PERSON - Wichelstowe Development Office (Waitrose car park)

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Invitation Message

Participants (18)

Notes

Agenda

- **Introductions (All)**

Attending - Claire Fleming (Minutes), Emma Leake, Rob Powe, Michelle Bishop, Nick Small, Cllr Gayle Cook, Graham Overbury.

Apologies - Matthew Breese, Cllr Courtliff

- **Actions from last meeting**

Action: 2 bus companies last bus leaving town close together at night - Matthew to look at timings.
Stagecoach were unable to attend the meeting, but the last number 11s from town depart at 22.30 and 23.30, and the last number 9s depart at 22.35 and 23.35, so this has not yet been addressed.

Action: CF talk to Sara at Go South Coast regarding solution to paper vouchers -
Resolved - CF now has access to a portal to order residents a free bus pass.

Action: CF to invite Rachel Edgington to future meetings
Done - Unfortunately Rachel had a clash this time.

- **Travel Plan Update (CF)**
- Events and Promotions since last meeting

Get Walking magazine now placed in Hall & Woodhouse on the book shelf, along with cycle map and orienteering map. (**ACTION:** School also willing to have a stock)

New orienteering map and Huntly quest - launched over Christmas holidays.

Gear up for Spring - 17th Feb - Active travel roadshow with doctor bike on the grass by the bridge.

A bit quiet but quality not quantity - Half a dozen bikes adjusted - put new lights on.
Promoted new orienteering map / winter trails

"Go Jauntly" partnership - Free walking app - Flyer being produced for packs, advert on app and walk collection. New Pony Trail around Wroughton added.

Funding from Travis Perkins has enabled a network of Emergency cycle repair kits / bike maintenance courses - Project to be complete by early March. Can earmark a kit for the new sports hub when it opens, and the Ellendune has one.

Emailed out the training dates to previous survey respondents who showed interest in cycle maintenance training.

- **Upcoming Travel Survey** - To launch Mid March, close end April. Checks awareness of travel schemes and allows for personalised information to be sent out to respondents showing interest in schemes. Due to number of occupations, survey will be sent out by mail rather than posted by hand.

ACTION: CF - Check for other items that can be sent with the survey.

- **Car club update** - Meeting held with Co Wheels and they are happy with the utilisation. Having a short video made to explain how to use electric car. Car Club Discovery day planned at Oakfield in April - see how it goes, could do at Wichelstowe over the summer?

The Parish asked for details so that they could help promote the car - There's free membership and no joining fee when the promo code is used (WICHELSTOWE) and then the car can be hired for £7.50 per hour, plus 14p a mile. The flyer is at

<https://www.swindontravelchoices.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/Wichelstowe-Car-Club-Flyer.pdf>

- **Modeshift** - Gained Excellent TP accreditation and up for award at Modeshift National Travel Awards. Will find out on 18th March at event in London.

- **Update from Wichelstowe LLP**

Scott Way into Southern Access (Borough responsibility) - Discussions about remedial works - No fixed date, but hopefully opening by late spring.

Planning granted for sports hub, now working up costings. Liaise with FA.

Parcel 10 and 8 are occupying, Orchards will have new occupations later in year.

Canal works from tree of life to Community Street progressing.

Community Street will need some drainage works and need to be closed - will wait until new link road opened and will coordinate with school. Poss summer 2027.

Road from East Wichel to Tree of Life - possibly ready to open end of the year.

Delay to community centre facilities due to ICB not wanting to pursue the doctors surgery yet. Parish compiling a petition.

- **Schools Update**

Will be changing finish time to 3.15pm five days a week from September - NS to note.

Parking - double yellows around campus (monitored) and using H+W in the mornings. Been talking to the pub about solutions to abuse in the afternoons.

Building work at Kingfisher in May and Deanery in June to enable special needs units - finished by September.

- **Bus Update**

The Parish council and ward members are keen to see bus provision for the Orchards. Rachel has been in discussion with the Wichelstowe team about infrastructure matters relating to a route down Scott Way. A tender will go out shortly for 2 bus routes.

Discussion around the bus shelters at the disused Park and Ride.

- **AOB**

No other business.