

## A47 Alliance Steering Group Meeting Note

2pm - 13 September 2013  
Stuart House, Peterborough

### **In attendance:**

Cllr Ian Bates	Cambridgeshire County Council
Cllr Ralph Butcher	Fenland District Council
Adrian Canard	Greater Cambridge Greater Peterborough LEP
Cllr Mick Castle	Norfolk County Council
Cllr Paul Claussen	Breckland District Council
David Cumming	Norfolk County Council
Cllr Margaret Dewsbury	Norfolk County Council
Sandra Eastaugh	Norfolk County Council
Trevor Ellis	Greater Cambridge Greater Peterborough LEP
Marie Finbow	New Anglia LEP
Cllr Roger Foulger	Broadland District Council
David Glason	Great Yarmouth Borough Council
Paul Hammond	Mott MacDonald
Cllr David Harrison	Norfolk County Council
Cllr Peter Hiller	Peterborough City Council
Mike Jackson	Norfolk County Council
Peter Jermany	Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk
Ellen Jones	Norfolk County Council
Alan Kirkdale	Highways Agency
Ian Lambert	South Norfolk District Council
Simon Machen	Peterborough City Council
Will Marshall	Suffolk County Council
Hamish Melville	Broadland District Council
Wendy Otter	Fenland District Council
Mark Pendlington	New Anglia LEP
Michael Selfe	RAC Foundation
Cllr Vivienne Spikings	Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk
Bob Tuckwell	Cambridgeshire County Council

### **Apologies**

Sandra Bush	Robert Sturdy MEP
Jonathan Cage	Dave Watson
Cllr Tim East	Andy Watt
Tim Edmunds	Caroline Williams
Cllr Tom Fitzpatrick	Cllr Bernard Williamson
Cllr Mark Kiddle-Morris	
Andrea Long	
Fiona McDiarmid	
Cllr Graham Neman	
Cllr William Richmond	
Keith Simpson MP	
Chris Starkie	

1.0 **Apologies for Absence**

Noted above

2.0 **Nomination of the Chair**

Peter Hillier nominated David Harrison; Ian Bates seconded. The nomination was unanimously supported.

David Harrison was elected as Chair.

3.0 **A47 Alliance Website Demonstration**

Ellen Jones talked the group through design and structure of the A47 Alliance web-site and invited initial feedback. The addition of a link to and from the local authorities own web-sites was suggested. It was agreed that the link to the website would be circulated to all by 20 September. A week would be given for responses, comments, feedback with the intention of publishing by the end of September.

Ellen reminded the authorities that the cost of developing the new website was being shared and an invoice will be issued once the costs have been confirmed.

**ACTION – Ellen Jones to circulate the link to the new website, collect feedback and issue invoices**

4.0 **Working session**

**The current situation and our response so far**

Alan Kirkdale introduced the Route Based Strategy process and David Cumming updated the group on progress since the last meeting

5.0 **Workshop**

Paul Hammond, Mott McDonald led a workshop looking at the whole length of the A47

**Specific comments:**

**A47 Great Yarmouth to A12 Lowestoft**

The section of road from Great Yarmouth to Lowestoft was discussed. It was agreed this is an important route as it includes the 3<sup>rd</sup> river crossing at Great Yarmouth. It was agreed to invite Suffolk to join the A47 Alliance and to build the additional sections into the Business case

**Peterborough to Wisbech**

It was agreed to add the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough priority schemes to the Business case

The 15 segments of the route were discussed, and a useful exercise took place to place the schemes into a Short, Medium and Long term timeline (attached)

**Action**

**David Harrison to invite Suffolk to join the A47 Alliance**

**Officers to continue to work with the Highways Agency to take forward the prioritised time-line.**

**The business case to be updated to include schemes from Cambridgeshire County Council and Peterborough City Council and the time-line. Any additions for the next iteration of the business case, including information post current plan periods, to be forwarded to David Cumming ([david.cumming@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:david.cumming@norfolk.gov.uk))**

**6.0 Any Other Business**

None

**7.0 Date of next meeting**

The next meeting be held in King's Lynn in early December – papers to be circulated prior to the meeting