



Ramsey Million Partnership Meeting

Date of Meeting	Tuesday 5 th February 2019	
Present	Voting Partnership Members (Total 8)	Annie Wells (AW) Roger Brereton (RB) Jane Sills (JS) Di Pitts (DP) Josh Jenkins (JJ) Tracy Hickman (TH) Christopher Day (CD)
	Non-Voting Partnership Members	Anna Bradley-Dorman (ABD), Val Fendley (VF), Carol Aston (CA), Jodie Montgomery (JM)
	Others	Linda Collumbell (LC) County Cllr Adela Costello (AC) Mayor James Palmer (JP) Nicky Stevenson (NS)
Not Present		
Apologies	Bernadette Mead (BM), Adrian Graham (AG), Gill Rayment (GR) Nick Upson (NU),	
Quorate – voting partnership members (10)	Yes – 7	

Abbreviations	<p>RNT – Ramsey Neighbourhoods Trust RMP – Ramsey Million Partnership LT – Local Trust CCC – Cambridgeshire County Council RTC – Ramsey Town Council BOSH – Activities for children between 5 and 10 CRUNCH – Activities for Young People 11+ RCC – Ramsey Cricket Club</p>
Code of Conduct	Standing Agenda Item.
Combined Authority Transport Strategy Discussion	<p>Mayor James Palmer (Peterborough & Cambridgeshire Combined Authority) was welcomed to the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partners outlined transport issues in Ramsey and surrounding villages JP said he understands the issues of rural communities as he grew up and lives in one himself. JP stated the authority has £20 million available for the whole of the area for transport and the associated infrastructure but there is the facility to can go to govt additional funds. JP wishes to use the power of the combined authority to create a transport system fit for purpose. Franchising is a possible way forward where profitable routes would be linked to those that are not. JP stated that our service providers are making about 12% profit whereas in London 5% profit is made. A task force of local, district & county representatives is to be established to work out the best way forward. In the short-term bus services will remain in current format for at least 1 more year whilst full review being undertaken. Partnership members stated that the current bus service not reliable and past consultations have not asked why people don't use the service. JP stated his

	<p>aim was to provide a high-quality service that meets the needs of communities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnership members pointed out that in the strategy there is a presumption of demand response – JP explained this could be something like the UBER model but using small people carriers/mini-buses • The task force will be looking at technological solutions i.e. apps, driverless etc. Partnership members pointed out this would be great, but the internet provision would also have to be improved if this were to work. Partnership members informed JP that Ramsey Million have been approached for a rural pilot for a similar scheme. • JP also talked about the cost of technological solutions. Would people be prepared to pay more if they knew the service was reliable? • Partnership members suggested using smaller buses to cut costs. JP stated that the companies say their biggest cost is the driver. • Partnership members asked if the Rural Town Market Strategy would concentrate on transport? JP responded by saying that the authority would be providing the mechanism, but the process will be locally led so if transport is the main issue for an area it would appear. • JP – He is always willing to come and discuss community needs. He understands that as local people we know what Ramsey needs. • Partnership members asked what happens in the whilst the task force is deliberating? JP - work on franchising and getting an improved service in the meantime • Partnership members asked how can we be involved? JP- feed in through District and County councillors • Partnership members asked would there be a community as well as representative voice? • JP was asked what impact had the RMP pro-active approach had on JPs thinking? (i.e. commissioning Campaign for Better Transport Report, newspaper article, petitions, working with local councillors etc). JP general response was that it was good that we were able to back up our concerns with evidence and were 'putting our money where our mouth is' by commissioning the report. • JP – suggested that Ramsey could set up a rural bus route user group that would be more pertinent and relevant to this area. There are two Cambridge based groups but none for rural areas and none in Peterborough. • Partnership members – There is also the issue of getting into and out of Ramsey from the villages not just the problems of getting to Huntingdon or Peterborough. • A volunteer at Ramsey Job Search raised the issue of getting people back into employment due to poor transport services, especially those looking for 'low skilled' employment which is often shift work. • Partnership members mentioned that Ramsey is seen as a target area for employment on Alconbury Weald. There is no public transport route from Ramsey to the Weald. <p>JP left the meeting</p>
Declaration of Interest	Standing Agenda Item
Amendments Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staffing – RNT staffing restructured to meet increasing workload • Christmas Lights now has a new committee made up from a variety of town representatives. • NIE Theatre Group has successfully bid for Heritage Lottery Money. The project aims to work with 20 Ramsey Young People. RMP has made a small contribution towards the project.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skatepark – discussed • Essentials by Sue launched last week and there have been many donations. <p>Minutes Agreed and signed</p>
Treasurers Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No unexpected expenditure
CREATE-Fest	Location discussed and agreed.
Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partnership discussed project group recommendations and decisions were made regarding all applications.
Pavilion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extra meeting to be held to discuss
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding bid has gone in for boxing/circuits pilot at the Camp • Big Local Connects – 13/14 Sep, 3 places per Big Local Area • Our Bigger Story Residential 21/22 June – 3 places available • Two of our young Youth Workers have been offered university places
Agenda for Next Meeting	<p>5th March</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2019-23 Plan • CREATE-Fest <p>Meeting closed at 8.45pm</p>
Date of Next Meeting	<p>Tuesday 19th February 2019</p> <p>Tuesday 5th March 2019</p> <p>Both - 6.30-8.30pm,</p>