

**Report of the Head of Governance Services and Scrutiny Support**

**Report to Scrutiny Board (City Development)**

**Date: 23 November 2016**

**Subject: Transport for Leeds - Supertram, NGT and Beyond**

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**1. Summary of Main Issues**

At its meeting on the 15th of June 2016, the Scrutiny Board considered a request for Scrutiny from Cllr Judith Blake, Leader of Leeds City Council, which asked for consideration of the role of the Council, the West Yorkshire Combined Authority/METRO and the city's public transport operators in relation to the decisions for both NGT and Supertram.

Terms of reference for this inquiry were agreed by the Scrutiny Board at the September 2016 when it was determined that the purpose of the inquiry is to make an assessment of and, where appropriate, make recommendations on the following areas:

- To identify strengths and weaknesses of the Supertram and NGT schemes, what lessons can be learnt, and how learning can be applied to future transport schemes and projects.
- The developing transport strategy, short, medium and long terms options, maximising beneficial impact, and how options could be financed, planned and delivered.
- Meeting the needs and aspirations of communities and stakeholders through engagement and involvement in the shaping and delivery of transport schemes and projects.

## 2 Inquiry Session November 2016

The Director of City Development and West Yorkshire Combined Authority has prepared a report which responds to requests for further information made by the Board at the September meeting. The report also presents an update on the Leeds Transport Summit and Conversation on Leeds Transport Strategy.

Representatives have also been invited to the meeting to contribute to the inquiry, they are:

- Peter Bonsall, Emeritus Professor of Transport Planning at the University of Leeds
- Bill McKinnon , Vice Chairman of the A660 Joint Council
- Chris Longley, Area Policy Representative, Yorkshire Federation of Small Businesses

All representatives were invited to make a written submission, which are included in this agenda as appendix G and H. All representatives were advised that the Board would not be revisiting submissions to the public inquiry and that the Board wish to understand:

- **their views on what lessons can be learned and applied for future transport provision.**
- **their views on local community engagement and consultation in the future.**
- **the future transport solution(s)/options that they consider might work in Leeds.**

## 3. Recommendation

The Scrutiny Board (City Development) is recommended to:

- a) Note the information contained within the report of the Director of City Development and WYCA.
- b) Note the written and verbal information provided by the visiting representatives.