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## National Assembly for Wales

### Cross Party Group on Community Transport

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at 12:00

Ty Hywel, Dining Room 1

**Present:** Eluned Parrott AM (Chair), Paul Harding (AM Support Staff), Sian Summers-Rees (CTA Wales)

**Apologies:** Hatti Woakes (North Pembrokeshire Transport Forum), Ceri Cryer (Age Cymru), Iwan Williams (Older People's Commissioner's Office), Bethan Jenkins AM, Simon Thomas AM, Rhodri Glyn Thomas AM, Ryland Doyle (AM Support Staff, Mike Hedges)

#### 1. Welcome, introductions & apologies:

Eluned opened the meeting by asking members to introduce themselves and thanked everyone for their attendance.

Apologies received as detailed above.

#### 2. Minutes of the meeting 11<sup>th</sup> February 2015

Minutes were approved.

#### 3. Matters arising

The link to the mission statement had been circulated - :

<http://www.senedd.assembly.wales/mgOutsideBodyDetails.aspx?ID=294>

#### 4. Election of Officers

Eluned Parrott AM was elected as Chair, and Siân Summers-Rees, Director of CTA Wales elected to act as secretariat.

#### 5. Presentation of Annual Report

The Annual Report was noted and accepted as an accurate record.

#### 6. Financial Report

The Financial Report was noted and accepted as accurate. There were no other costs incurred other than those as outlined in the report.

#### 7. Programme of open meetings

CTA Wales would focus their engagement with Assembly Members over the coming months through facilitating opportunities for them to meet with CT providers in their constituencies.

It was agreed that the next two meetings (one to be scheduled in the summer and one in the autumn) would focus on the following topics:-

1. *What does the future of Community Transport look like?*

- Can the CT sector fill the gaps caused by disappearing local bus services? If so, how can it meet the demands without additional resources or capacity?
- If the CT sector was to significantly expand its services for the general public what could be the potential impact on 'traditional' CT services which support disadvantaged people (especially given that the demand for these services has also increased)?
- How does Community Transport fit with the wider transport mix in relation to the National Transport Plan e.g. feeder routes to support access to public transport?

2. *The role of Community Transport in the delivery of NEPTS/ transport to health*

- *Update on the NEPTS Transformation Project Board*
- *Current CT service delivery and potential opportunities for future work*

N.B. The third meeting in the spring would be the AGM and final meeting prior to the elections.

**8. A.O.B:**

Siân noted that there had been no decision on the Bus Service Support Grant or on the CTA Wales funding for the next financial year.

**Action – Eluned Parrott AM to ask question in the chamber regarding BSSG funding and to write to the Minister to ask when to expect the decision on funding for CTA Wales.**

**9. Date of next meeting:**

Date to be confirmed.