

# **QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES**



# WECA Extraordinary Committee meeting on Friday, 14 October 2022

# Questions received from the public

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## Item 1 - David Redgewell: South west transport Network and Railfuture Severnside

#### Question 1

What allocation of money has been made within the North Bristol infrastructure scheme need bus stops and shelters.

Cycling and walking routes.

Taxis stands

And essentially access to the New Filton

North Brabazan hanger Railway station.

and assocatiated metro and bus service interchanges.

# response:

If today's vote is successful there will be over £10 million invested into transport infrastructure from the West of England Combined Authority including £3.1 million from the developer. Working with the developer there will be a full package to improve roads, fund a new footbridge across the railway line, bus priority measures, cycling improvements, charging points for electric vehicles , park and ride facilities, shuttle buses and more. More detailed plans will be shared with the Committee as they are finalised.

## Question 2

# Officer Response:

As the North fringe Brabazan YTL areana includes a metro west railway Network service phase 2.

What provision is being made with Network rail western route and first group Great western railway

To bring this station into operation with the Henbury loop to Henbury station for cribbs causeway.

Provision being made to extend the railway in the future.

On the YTL Filton North station what provision is being made for waiting shelters and CCTV safety facilities for Entrance agreed with the Arena Authorities and the British transport police.

Including crowd control barriers and safe walking and cycling routes .

This is especially important after the Manchester area incident.

#### response:

The current design and operating plan for North Filton Station (adjacent to the proposed new Brabazon Arena site) assumes that trains terminate at Henbury Station and turn back towards Bristol Temple Meads (passing through North Filton Station). This keeps the option open to extend the service in the future although this would require additional tracks, signalling and infrastructure.

The West of England Combined Authority is currently reviewing if there is an opportunity to accelerate the opening of the North Filton Station to support the planned opening of the Arena.

The design for the new station includes provision for waiting shelters and station CCTV coverage.

The terrorist attack at Manchester Arena was a sickening tragedy and I understand YTL have a robust security plan for the wider site. The West of England project team are working closely with YTL, Great Western Railways and Network Rail to agree station and event specific management plans. These plans will set out arrangements for managing increased passenger numbers during events and will detail a resilient and joined up regime of security which will be in place during normal operation of the station or pre/during or post events at the arena.