**BTC Town Centre Strategy Working Group**

**Purpose:**

To develop strategies for the town centre in respect of vehicular & pedestrian movement, parking provision & control, and appropriate improvements to the Market Hill area in terms of usage and physical works.

**Chair:**TBA

**Group Members:**John Linsley, Andy West, Sandy Young, Alan Claypole, David Kirkham and Rachael Blake (co-opted).

**Budget :**£3,500

Any proposed expenditure must be approved by BTC in advance.

**Terms of Reference**

1. To develop an overall Movement Strategy for the town (vehicular, pedestrian, cycling & public transport) in conjunction with Doncaster MBC
2. As part of 1, to develop an overall parking strategy for Bawtry (both ‘on’ and ‘off’ street) in conjunction with Doncaster MBC
3. To determine the financial implications associated with previously identified potential additional ‘off street’ parking sites.
4. To progress discussions with relevant parties in respect of securing additional parking provision for the town to cater for the future needs.
5. To further develop design options, and estimates, for a Market Hill Improvement Scheme.
6. To seek to resolve the Market Hill footpath situation.
7. To consider the feasibility of holding a regular market on Market Hill.
8. To investigate potential funding sources and options for any proposed works.
9. To present reports to BTC to obtain any necessary approvals as the work progresses. .

**Timescale**

To have a strategy approved and for any agreed works to Market Hill to commence on site in Spring 2021 to accord with the termination of the current EPS contract.

**Process detail**

1. To conform to the requirements of the Bawtry Neighbourhood Development Plan
2. To aim to provide an overall Town Centre Movement Strategy that incorporates:
3. Minimisation of Traffic through the Town Centre
4. Improved pedestrian safety & movement in the Town Centre
5. Improved provision for cycle movement
6. Improved public bus operations & facilities
7. Provision of electric vehicle charging
8. Car parking demand management & provision of alternative car parking locations
9. To liaise with the Heritage Project Steering Group in terms of design considerations and improvement brief.
10. To discuss the design brief for Market Hill with Doncaster MBC, the Architect and all relevant stakeholders.
11. To discuss with Doncaster MBC, the potential of associated highway improvements within the central area of the town, with a view to enhancing the proposed improvement scheme, and creating a safer pedestrian environment.
12. To resolve the status of the Market Hill footpath, and consider it’s inclusion within the proposed Market Hill scheme.
13. To explore the potential of a regular market or community events on Market Hill (either self operated or by ‘third party’ operation), and to include any requirements in the design brief.
14. To commission preliminary designs & estimates in sufficient detail to explore appropriate grant funding opportunities.
15. To produce an options paper for BTC to consider that proposes a recommended works specification, presents best value for BTC, identifies any financial risks and liabilities associated with the proposed option as well as any associated mitigations that need to be considered.
16. Commission a detailed design and estimate for the approved Market Hill scheme (potentially including provision for a market), obtain quotes for the work, identify the potential sources of funding, and produce a final report to BTC regarding the way forward with the project.
17. Demonstrate that BTC is fulfilling its fiduciary responsibilities as required by all public bodies and that any proposal is ‘neither an advantage nor disadvantage to any one person or party’.