

**TIMBER TRANSPORT FORUM MEETING 16<sup>th</sup> JULY 2003**  
**SILVAN HOUSE EDINBURGH**

**NOTE OF MEETING**

Present: I.Forshaw, P.Wilson, A.McVeigh, R.Evans, J.Farquar, P.Sherrington, A.Angus, J.Miller, D.Sulman, B.Hudson, A.Massie

Apologies:D.Henderson-Howatt, I Ross, A.Speedie, B.Stubbs, D.Eaglesham

**Agenda Item**

Matters Arising      Roads Research Update; Hot Air Balloons:  
CD-Rom copies of the presentations from 1<sup>st</sup> May to be sent to BH and DS.

**Action: AA to send**

Review of Docks and Jetties; Survey of Ingress Points for Timber.

**Action: DS to source information from industry**

Strategic Timber Transport Fund

IF distributed copies of the draft final report compiled by Caledonian Economics.

Forum members were asked to study the document and send any comments to A.A. by 30<sup>th</sup> July.A.A. will feedback comments to Mike Nevin of Caledonian Consulting by 8<sup>th</sup> August.

Once completed the paper will be sent to Alan Wilson with a letter of support from COSLA and FIDC. Mike Nevin would meet with Minister to present the report. MN would also present report at Timber Transport Conference in October.

**Action: AA to collect and forward information to Mike Nevin**

Project Manager      AA spoke to two papers:

- Regional Timber Transport Group: Update
- List of Engagements, Project Manager

**Action: IF to invite David Murray of EWS to join Forum.**

**IF to invite representative from FE to join Forum**

**AA to seek person with wide experience in Shipping as possible Forum member.**

**AA to add the report to web page at earliest opportunity.**

**AA to develop Constitution document prior to producing a Partnering Charter for Timber Transport Forum**

**PW to assess the costs in relation to current web pages and possible developments for future.**

TTF Wales

Paul Sherrington updated the forum on the activities of the Timber Transport Group in Wales.  
He thanked the other TTG's for the help given in the setting up of the Wales Group.  
The funding bid to carry out the Timber Mapping Study for Wales has been successful. The advert for Consultants will go out in August and the work should be completed by March 2004.  
The Timber Transport Group in Wales will be launched at The Royal Welsh Show on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2003.

**Action: AA to deliver presentation to Welsh Development Agency on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2003 on success of LAMA's in Scotland**

TTF North England

Allan McVeigh updated the group re the liaison between Local Authority Departments, Forest Industry Organisations and Funding Organisations.

**Action: AA and AMcV to promote development of group across northern England**

Roundwood Haulage  
Code of Practice

AA shared comments with group.  
A number of letters had been issued outlining different approaches to implementation of Code of Practice.  
AA had dealt with correspondence from members of public.

**Action: A.A. to continue collect comments on the contents of the publication and feedback to TTF.**

Partnering Charter

AA showed an example from Ayrshire. It was agreed that this was a good proposal for the Forum.

**Action: AA to progress development of Partnering Charter**

Press Cuttings            AA circulated copies of recent Press Cuttings

Timber Transport Conference 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2003 McDiarmuid Park, Perth

A discussion took place about content of Conference. It was agreed that IF and AA would work to produce a proposed agenda.

**Action: AA and IF to produce Draft Agenda**

Data Integration/Mapping

Work is under way to make Agreed Routes Maps available in an electronic format.

**Action: A.M. to meet with John Rowlands, Scottish Enterprise to establish Funding Levels on 14<sup>th</sup> August. Data Integration Sub-Group to meet on 21<sup>st</sup> August**

A.O.B.                      Health & Safety Executive are consulting TTF on Workplace Accidents

**Action: Comments to A.A.**

Date of next meeting Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2003 10.30a.m.