Item No. 07

## **'MOVE IT!" Transport Conference, February 19, 2010**

### **TROWBRIDGE**

## The Key Issues are:

- Cost Child fares should be effective up till 18.
- Confusing timetables.
- ♣ Trains are cheaper to use than buses but not as convenient.
- Different prices are charged for the same journey inconsistent pricing.
- ♣ No special offers are made to young people during holiday time.

# **Our County Wide Issue Is...**

Not enough direct routes.

## **Our County Wide Solution is...**

Undertake some research to find out which routes are the most popular and make sure there are enough buses to meet the demand.

### Our Local Issue Is...

Cost of transport.

## **Our Local Solution Is...**

- 1. Reduce the cost of popular routes e.g. to and from schools and colleges.
- 2. Government encourages young people to go on to further education but don't take into consideration the transport fees. EMA is enough to cover books and resources but not enough for transport fees too. Council grants for people who cannot afford to travel to college post-16.
- 3. ID cards proof of age.

### **Action Plan:**

#### Who to talk to?

- Talk to Richard Clewer about travel expenses to and from school/college.
- Area Board.
- Mp, Andrew Murrison
- Contact colleges for support with funding for travel.
- Contact NUS to help support and lobby the transport service to give a discount like they do in many high street shops for students.
- Lobbying the rail and bus services to put cost saving incentives in place for students travelling to colleges or universities.
- Contact our UKYP representative.

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