## Tram Train Magna Stop and P&R Online Q&A sessions 11th August and 18th August – Summary

A short briefing session was held on Wednesday 11 August 12:00hrs and Wednesday 18 August 18:00hrs to discuss the material from the PDF, available on the TSY website. The floor was then opened up for questions.

A summary of the key discussion points and questions raised by members of the public (set in bold italic) are detailed in the table below.

Topic	Summary of Discussion
Introduction	<ul> <li>In light of the current pandemic and in line with COVID-19 public health considerations, it is important to continue with project delivery and associated consultations, but also equally important to ensure consultations are accessible to everyone. Our approach involves a combination of traditional and digital measures to access a range of people.</li> <li>Due to health concerns associated with COVID-19 on holding public gatherings, we are hosting two online Q&amp;A sessions. These sessions provide an interactive alternative to our usual face-to-face public drop-in sessions, while continuing to offer an opportunity to find out more about the scheme and ask the project team any questions you may have.</li> <li>The consultation period runs from the 26 July 2021 – 3 September 2021. Please provide your feedback by completing the questionnaire at <a href="www.travelsouthyorkshire.com/Magna">www.travelsouthyorkshire.com/Magna</a>.</li> <li>We have an email address for any further questions <a href="communications@sypte.co.uk">communications@sypte.co.uk</a>.</li> </ul>
Key parties involved	<ul> <li>SYPTE</li> <li>Sheffield City Region Mayoral Combined Authority (SCR)</li> <li>Network Rail</li> </ul>
Context and Funding	<ul> <li>Sheffield City Region (SCR) was awarded £166m of Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) money for active travel and public transport schemes, the Magna Tram Train stop and Park &amp; Ride scheme is one of these projects.</li> <li>SYPTE manage public transport services across South Yorkshire and are the promoter of the scheme.</li> <li>SCR are providing the funding through the TCF programme.</li> <li>Network Rail are responsible for development of the design and construction of the Tram Train stop.</li> </ul>
The Scheme	Tram Train Stop  The building of two new staggered, low level Tram Train platforms at Magna Science & Adventure Centre, one for each running line, connected by an accessible footbridge with lifts and stairs, passenger information, lighting, CCTV and passenger shelters. Provision will be made for a separation fence between the running lines to dissuade trespass onto the railway from the Tram Train platforms.
	Tram Train Park & Ride  The introduction of a new 100-150 space Park & Ride facility at
	Magna Science & Adventure Centre, adjacent to the rail corridor,

with disabled, bicycle and motorcycle parking bays, CCTV, lighting and vehicular control. A safe and secure pedestrian link will be provided to and from the new Tram Train stop.

You can view our webpages for the proposals including the PDF here www.travelsouthyorkshire.com/Magna.

## Comments, Questions and Answers

## Wednesday 11th August

1. I believe this is the first Tram Train/Tram stop with lifts and is also unstaffed, have you given any thought to the operation of the lifts and response to lift failures.

The provision of lifts as oppose the alternative, ramps, has been an important early fundamental design consideration. On 3<sup>rd</sup> June Network Rail presented the outline proposals of the scheme to their Built Environment and Accessibility Panel (BEAP) at which the provision of lifts was deemed most desirable. (mainly due to the size and scale of a compliant ramp required to raise from the Low-Level Platform above the overhead lines) At the meeting the size of lifts and operational requirements was also discussed.

The lifts will be fitted with communications to enable contact with either Network Rail or Supertram Control in the event of a lift failure.

2. How will you manage the carriage of disabled passengers when the lifts are out of use.

SYPTE will in consultation with Supertram be developing a Concept of Operations Document that will set out how the stop will be managed from an operational and maintenance perspective, including impact on customers during times of disruption etc.

3. Are there any plans for specific consultation with disability groups.

Yes, this will be undertaken by Network Rail as part of the design development. SYPTE have provided Network Rial with a list of existing accessibility groups. The Transport 4all group chaired by SCC was specifically highlighted.

4. It is important to collaborate [with disability groups] throughout the process not just at the start.

Noted.

5. What thought has been given to the Low-Level Platforms and features to deter trespass

The design of the low-level platforms and specifically the safety case will be an important design consideration. The project team will refer to the learning captured when the LLP's were introduced at Rotherham Central. Possible interventions to deter trespass will included staggering the platforms (not possible at Rotherham), fence between the rail lines, audible announcements of approaching trains, warning signage and platform markings.

## Wednesday 18th August

1. I fully support the project, what is there not to like! Would any negative feedback received during the consultation process stop the project going ahead?

Thanks for your support this is much appreciated. All comments/survey responses received during the consultation period will be collated and fed back to the Project Team. Responses to date have been very positive. Should there be any serious concerns/objections received to the project going ahead the Project Team would look in the first instance to work with respondents to allay/remove such concerns.

2. Should the project proceed would you be looking to close any other stations/tram train stops?

There are no proposals to close any other stations/stops as a result of this project.

3. Does the introduction of the new station have any impact on the planned extension of the Tram Train service?

Maintaining network capacity and capability including future extensions was an important consideration in the early feasibility work looking at the possible configuration of the station (Number/location of platforms etc) The new station will have no impact on future expansion plans.

4. Has there been any consideration/risk assessment undertaken for the provision of 'at grade' crossings between both platforms?

This has not been investigated due to the safety concerns, the assumption from the start has been to provide a fully accessible footbridge with steps and lifts/ramps.

Timeframe

Following the public consultation, we will analyse the feedback and prepare a Statement of Community Involvement which will be submitted in support of relevant statutory processes.