

Minutes Falkirk Access Assessment Group held 13 March 2009

Attendees

Henry Sherlock
Peter Rowe
Pauline McGrillis
George Cross
Provost Pat Reid
Keith Howie
George Williamson
Brian Peat
Billy Frame
Harry Bell
Pat Atkins
Councillor John Mclucie

Fire Brigade
Keith Robertson
Gordon Wilson

Minutes Last Meeting Were agreed. Christine Beverage to print off minutes

Revised Action Point Lists

List now split into completed and ongoing
The ongoing list with comments, Will be on the web site shortly.

Bus issues at the recent bus forum a number of issues were raised Brian Peat (First Bus) outline their response. Brail signage Though this had been agreed Brian pointed out that they had no funding in this year to carry out the

work the group agreed to search for some other funding source for this project possibly the council .

There was also discussion of the possible redevelopment of the bus station area it was pointed out that they were ongoing.

The issue of the new bus pass machines was raised and the many problems which they had given to people with visual impairments Brian stated that part of the problem was driver training it was agreed that the group would offer their services to assist in the training of drivers Brian agreed that the companies training manager would contact the chairman.

The problems of the bus station management were again raised and it was agreed that Brian would address the problems with the inspectors.

Brian pointed out that the area had now received more low floor buses which will improve the service for wheelchair users.

Brian also stated that the company were working to improve the cleaning of the buses to reduce the amount of rubbish.

The problems of information were discussed and it was agreed to address this further at a future meeting.

The group agreed that many of the problems were down to driver training and offered the groups expertise to help to improve it.

Date of next meeting 29th May 2009 1.30pm Sensory centre Camelon.