

The Welsh Government/Department for Transport Rail Cross Border Forum

**ATW Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, Office Building, Shrewsbury Station
(access from BTP offices or platform 3)**

Wednesday June 17 10:30am – 12:30pm

Attendees:

Arriva Trains Wales
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Welsh Government
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Department for Transport
Department for Transport

Network Rail

Herefordshire Council
Transport Focus
Cheshire West and Cheshire Council
Denbighshire Council (Observer)
Shropshire Council
Transport for Greater Manchester
Gloucestershire County Council
Chester-Shrewsbury Rail Partnership on behalf of
Marches Strategic Rail Group
Cheshire East Council
West Midlands Integrated Transport Authority

Apologies

Warrington Borough Council
Borough of Telford & Wrekin
Cheshire East Council
Halton Borough Council
Mersey Travel

Centro West Midlands
Warrington Borough Council
Centro West Midlands

MEETING NOTES AND ACTIONS

Denbighshire Council asked for an update on services to Manchester Airport. ATW stated that it was still an aspiration for ATW to operate more services to Manchester Airport and ATW want to be fair to all industry partners in developing additional services. ATW confirmed that some progress had been made, but there were no significant developments and the application was with the ORR. WG confirmed the importance of this to the 6 North Wales LA's. WG confirmed Welsh Government support for the application.