

“ONTRACK” RAIL USERS ASSOCIATION

**WALTON ON THE NAZE, FRINTON ON SEA KIRBY CROSS & THORPE LE SOKEN RAIL USERS ASSOCIATION
CAMPAIGNING FOR TRANSPORT USERS AND BETTER TRANSPORT FOR THE TENDRING DISTRICT**

ANNUAL REPORT FOR Y/E DECEMBER 31st 2021 & Y/E 31st. December 2020

1. THE ONTRACK TEAM’S BLOG FOR Y/E 2021 - A REPORT FOR THE 2022 AGM

- ONTRACK has continued to campaign, persistently, consistently and vigorously for infrastructure improvements, better rail connections and connectivity, and also better rail and bus and transport services overall. ONTRACK continues as a stakeholder member of the Tendring District’s Transport Liaison Board (TLB). Our Hon Chair is Acting TLB Committee Secretary/ Clerk.
- ONTRACK has been working together with Essex County Council, Train Operating Companies (viz., Greater Anglia Railways), Dept. for Transport (DfT), Network Rail, Transport Focus), Essex Rail Users Federation, Rail Future (*Ex Railway Development Society*) and liaises also other stakeholder organisations e.g. Tendring Community Transport, Community Rail Partnership, and British Transport Police.
- ONTRACK officers attended online meetings with Gtr. Anglia, Dept. for Transport and Tendring District Council (TDC) as part of submissions to TDC Committee. Also provided consultative input on transport regeneration such East-West Rail Link. ONTRACK has participated in Consultation on Timetables, Fares Reform and other consultations.
- Regrettably major health issues with key members of the committee combined delayed and then combined with an Autumnal Covid Pandemic resurgence prevented any proper AGM for Y/E 31/12/20 meeting being. Mindful online meetings discriminate those unable to connect or make use of the required technology it has been deferred to 2022.

2. THE ONTRACK TEAM’S BLOG FOR Y/E 2020 - A REPORT FOR THE 2022 AGM

- ONTRACK continued to campaign, and work with Rail Industry, Tendring District Council, Network Rail, Transport Focus), Essex Rail Users Federation, Rail Future (*Ex Railway Development Society*) and liaise with other stakeholder organisations e.g. Tendring Community Transport, Community Rail Partnership, and British Transport Police. ONTRACK take part in consultations in respect of FARES reform, new Timetable (*But the fallout from the Pandemic in respect of home working and changed travel patterns remains to be seen*)
- ONTRACK continued to support Gt. Eastern Mainline Taskforce and Joint local Government Rail conferences. One of the products of that were the first new train fleet for many years.
- A short online AGM was held during the spring of 2020 in respect the Y/E 31st December 2019 which agreed the annual reports and minutes of the previous years AGM. (The documents related to the Y/E 31st. DECEMBER 2019 are attached for confirmation)
- Our 2019 saw the launch of the TLB/ TLG Sponsored Tendring Rail Report on the Clacton and Walton railway lines <Colchester to Clacton & Walton – A Very under Achieving Railway > now on our website

3. See our website and download for our posters and news (See Pictures from 2019 AGM)

ONTRACK WEBSITE <https://www.ontrackrailusers.org.uk/> .



1st. Picture: Our MP GILES WATLING launches **THE TENDRING RAIL REPORT** (With rear view Cllr Mark Platt, ECC in Blue Suit on front seat) at the 2019 QUESTION'TIME & AGM;

2nd. Picture: Copy of newspaper report from over 60 years ago - of British Rail launching a **Clacton in 85 Minutes** for the **Essex Coast Express** using the Britannia Class steam locomotive (average journey times now currently between 90-100 minutes);

3rd. Picture GILES WATLING MP CENTRE- flanked by ALAN NEVILLE Greater Anglia Railways, (LHS) and MATT BRENNAN Network Rail Anglia (RHS),

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We reproduce a SUMMARY OF OUR GDPR POLICY. Much effort was spent last year in getting compliance including membership records . We are registered with the Information Commissioner.

SUMMARY MEMBERSHIP & DATA PROTECTION POLICY (SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS)

1. We welcome new members (Application Form is on our website, or collect from Harwood's of Essex). But the new European General Data Protection Regulations come into force in May 2018.
2. So we need to ask you the following and advise you how we use membership data
 - 2.1 Do you want us to keep in contact and keep you briefed, keeping you informed of developments where your views can make a difference? Yes/ No (Or handwrite a circle around preference on Membership renewal Slip)
 - 2.2 Or do you want us to "forget you"? YES...../ NO.....(N.B. Data will be updated/ deleted in 30 days)
But this means we cannot contact you or advise you of upcoming events or issues that affect you in future even if you are lapsed member
- 2.3 We do not divulge membership details for third party use. Please let us know if you have any concerns:
- 2.4 Except
 - Where request for help in sorting out complaints in respect of customer service may require sharing / verifying customer details and we will let you know if we do so
 - Otherwise in respect of surveys and/ or petitions where signatory's identities need to be retained for verification purposes
3. *What Data do we keep? Your contact details so we that can keep in touch and keep you updated.*
4. *Any surveys you participate in we collate the results data as a statistical profile (personal identities not revealed)*
5. You can request update of your details and preferences at any time via the ONTRACK website or by contacting the Membership Secretary by post or e-mail