

OPEN MEETING on the NEW GENERATION TRANSPORT SYSTEM

7.00 pm on April 20th at the West Park Centre (room 4)

The New Generation Transport (NGT) system for Leeds recently won government funding.

The NGT (or “trolley bus system”) WILL affect the West Park area. The full extent is yet to become clear, but the following are some of the probable outcomes:

- The West Park roundabout will be removed, with all roads being controlled by traffic and pedestrian lights.
- The impact on the West Park parade of shops is uncertain, depending on where the NGT stops are sited.
- The Kepstorn & Ancaster road area could be seriously affected in terms of access as current proposals include restricting access from Kepstorn Road to Otley Road, with Ancaster Road becoming the only way off the estate.
- Properties on Otley Road may lose part of their frontage with road widening for special NGT lanes.
- The Lawnswood roundabout and the Ring Road will be controlled by traffic lights, extra traffic lanes may be needed, house verges could be lost not to mention several large mature trees.

All this may seem a long way off (or never likely to happen), BUT now is the time to look at what is being planned and comment.

Preliminary draft plans will be available at the meeting and Council/Metro planners will explain what is being planned / timescales / etc.

IF YOU DON'T MAKE YOUR VIEWS KNOWN NOW, IT COULD BE TOO LATE TO AFFECT THE PLANS AT A LATER STAGE.

YOU KNOW YOUR AREA, COME AND SEE HOW WHAT IS BEING PLANNED AND WHAT COULD BE IMPROVED UPON.

Note:

This meeting has been arranged by the West Park Residents Association, acting on contact details provided by Councillor Ben Chastney.