

FoSBR Statement on Portishead



**Extraordinary Meeting, West of England Combined Authority
Friday 29th July 2022 1pm
Ashton Gate**

1. FoSBR welcome the injection of funding from DfT, North Somerset and the proposed contribution from WECA, to ensure this much needed and delayed project goes ahead.
2. FoSBR regret the necessity to reduce the scope but appreciate the dilemma posed by cost inflation.
3. FoSBR express hope that future funding can be found for a station building and longer platform at Portishead.
4. FoSBR anticipate a healthy ridership and welcome the reduction in carbon emissions and improvement in air quality this mean
5. FoSBR understand that the DfT are assuming client status and call on DfT to honour the proposed hourly daytime and 45 minute morning frequency.

Christina Biggs