Potential Attendees:

- Mayor of London (Sadiq Khan), David Bellamy, Nick Bowes, Heidi Alexander, Jack Stenner, Tim Steer, Claire Hamilton
- Mike Brown, Mark Wild, Andy Brown
- Staynton Brown, Alex Williams, Matthew Yates (Items 1 – 3 only)
- Sir Terry Morgan, Simon Wright (Item 4 only)

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MEETING BETWEEN TFL COMMISSIONER AND MAYOR

26 July 2018

Mayor of London (Sadiq Khan), David Bellamy, Nick Bowes, Heidi Alexander, Tim Steer

Mike Brown, Staynton Brown, Mark Wild, Alex Williams, Matt Yates, Andy Brown

1. Accessibility and Step-free access programme

Stayton Brown provided an update on TfL's approach to achieving the most inclusive and accessible transport network anywhere in the world, including how it will deliver the accessibility policy in the Mayor’s Transport Strategy and the Mayor’s Inclusive London Strategy.

He explained that TfL was planning to publish a TfL diversity and inclusion plan as a ‘daughter document’ to the MTS by the end of this year.

Mark Wild updated on the LU programme to provide step-free access at at least a further 30 stations by March 2022; given a budget of £200m, this would require finding savings of up to 40% - e.g. by using innovative approaches around lift provision.

Mark said that the Mayor would be able to announce the final seven stations in the programme in September.

There was discussion about trials to share the operational status of lifts around the network and to use Bluetooth to assist with wayfinding within stations.

**Actions:** Staynton to provide an update on the Bluetooth wayfinding trial; Mark to consider options for external benchmarking of London’s approach to Tube accessibility compared to other metros around the world

2. Sutton tram extension

Alex Williams and Matt Yates updated on the Sutton tram extension project, recent work with the relevant boroughs and planned future consultation.

There was particular discussion around potential route alignments and the potential to consult on a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) alternative as well as the tram proposal.

On BRT, Matt explained that we would need to show we have considered different alternatives for a TWAO submission; the Mayor was content to consult on BRT as an alternative, as long as it was clear that this was not a TfL-recommended option.

Regarding the route, it was agreed that any extension to the London Cancer Hub at Belmont could be a second phase.
Matt explained that a TWAO submission could potentially be made by spring 2020 but that a full funding package would need to have been identified; a third of the required funding had been secured and there needed to be further urgent discussions with the boroughs about potential additional funding sources.

3. Bakerloo line extension

Alex Williams updated on work to develop proposals for the Bakerloo line extension scheme; he explained that TfL was intending to publish a report this summer outlining responses to issues raised in the most recent consultation.

It was agreed that there was not a case to provide an additional station at Bricklayers Arms roundabout but that the proposed vent shaft would be removed from the plans and TfL would look at alternatives around improvements to public realm and walking routes to other nearby stations.

Alex explained that more work was needed on a proposal from Sainsbury’s and Mount Anvil for a different location for the new New Cross Gate Bakerloo line station, but that TfL’s preferred option as it stood remained the proposal in the consultation.

There was a discussion about the potential benefits of extending the Bakerloo line down the Hayes national rail branch and agreement that this should continue to be explored as the primary option.

There was a discussion about the timetable to a potential TWAO submission in 2021/22 and the fact that around 20% of funding for the scheme had so far been identified; Alex indicated that significant government grant would be required but that TfL was also looking at innovative financing options in connection with the separate Bakerloo line upgrade project.
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1. Crossrail

Terry Morgan and Simon Wright updated the Mayor on Crossrail’s current view of its programme and key risks

Action: Terry and Simon to provide a further update on the programme by the end of August; they would also detail their approach to incentivisation on the remaining critical contracts.

Action: Crossrail and the sponsors (TfL and DfT) to agree a plan for future public communications around project progress.