Transport for London

Minutes of the Meeting

Committee Rooms 4-5, City Hall, The Queen’s Walk, London
10.00am, Wednesday 21 October 2009

Members
Boris Johnson Chairman
Daniel Moylan Deputy Chairman
Christopher Garnett Deputy Chairman
Peter Anderson Member
Claudia Arney Member
Charles Belcher Member
Dame Tanni Grey-Thompson Member
Sir Mike Hodgkinson Member
Judith Hunt Member
Eva Lindholm Member
Steven Norris Member
Bob Oddy Member
Patrick O’Keeffe Member
Kulveer Ranger Member
Tony West Member
Keith Williams Member
Steve Wright Member

Staff
Steve Allen Managing Director, Finance
David Brown Managing Director, Surface Transport
Ian Brown Managing Director, London Rail
Howard Carter General Counsel
Stephen Critchley Chief Finance Officer
Michèle Dix Managing Director, Planning
Vernon Everitt Managing Director, Marketing and Communications
Mary Hardy Director of Internal Audit
Peter Hendy Commissioner
Rob Holden Chief Executive, Crossrail
Ellen Howard Director of Corporate Governance
Richard Parry Interim Managing Director, London Underground

55/10/09 Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

No apologies for absence had been received.

The following interests were declared: Daniel Moylan as Deputy Leader of the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, a director of the London Transport Museum and Chair of Urban Design London; Christopher Garnett as a member of the Olympic Delivery Authority; Dame Tanni Grey-Thompson as Vice Chair of the Athlete’s Committee for the London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games (LOCOG); Sir
Mike Hodgkinson as a non-executive director of Crossrail Ltd; Steve Wright on matters relating to private hire vehicles; Bob Oddy on taxi related issues; Peter Anderson as a director of the Canary Wharf Group in relation to Crossrail and the Jubilee Line upgrade; and Steven Norris as a Board Member of the London Development Agency, as Chairman of AMT-Sybex Limited, as Executive Chairman of Jarvis plc and as a non executive director of Initiate Limited.

56/10/09 Minutes of the Meeting held on 29 July 2009

The minutes of the meeting held on 29 July 2009 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

57/10/09 Matters Arising and Actions List

The Actions List was noted.

58/10/09 The Commissioner’s Report

The Commissioner introduced his report which provided an overview of major issues and developments since the last meeting on 29 July and updated Members on significant projects and initiatives.

He advised that all Train Operators had signed up to the use of Oyster PAYG at stations in Greater London from January 2010. On 15 October the Department for Transport (DfT) had given approval for TfL and 18 boroughs to introduce a common permit scheme for street works in London, which included the power to penalise utility companies who breached the terms of their permits. The Mayor had also obtained support from the Secretary of State for Transport for a lane rental scheme.

The Commissioner advised that ownership of East Thames Buses had transferred from TfL to Go-Ahead London on 2 October 2009.

The Board was assured that a recruitment advertisement recently seen in the Metro paper was for graduate scheme positions. Even in a recession, it was important to maintain apprenticeships and graduate training schemes.

Tony West thanked the staff involved in the Board Member visit to the Old Dalby test track on 30 September where Members had seen the new ‘S’ stock train.

The report was noted.

59/10/09 Operational and Financial Performance and Investment Programme Reports – First Quarter 2009/10

Steve Allen introduced the performance monitoring reports for the first quarter of 2009/10 and the investment programme report which commented on milestones as at the end of quarter one. These reports had been considered by the Finance and Policy Committee at its meeting on 9 October 2009. Since the end of quarter one falling numbers in tube patronage had seen the year on year figure down by about six per
cent, amounting to a £700m drop in fares income to 2011/12, while bus figures remained relatively stable.

Richard Parry reported that quarter one included the two day strike on parts of the LU network but despite the strike affecting the year to date figures, quarter two customer satisfaction levels were still ahead of target at 80 per cent for the third consecutive quarter. There had been positive progress with new trains on the Victoria line and the first of 191 new air-conditioned ‘S’ stock trains for the sub-surface lines by 2015 had just arrived and would be tested before being put into service on the Metropolitan line in Summer 2010.

David Brown reported that the new Surface Transport Operations Centre had successfully gone live and incorporated MetroComm, CentreComm, the London Traffic Control Centre and, in the future, the Olympic Games Transport Coordination Centre. He also reported that regeneration driven work at Tottenham Hale Gyratory was due to start in 2012.

Olympic walking and cycling routes were due for completion by May 2011; it would be confirmed whether any routes were planned for the Euston and St Pancras areas.  

[**ACTION: David Brown**]

Ian Brown reported that the East London Line Extension track had now been completed and had moved into a 13 week period of testing. The East London Line was due to open in spring 2010.

A detailed report would be submitted to the Corporate Panel on workforce diversity figures.  

[**ACTION: Steve Allen**]

The reports were noted.

60/10/09 **TfL Business Plan 2010/11-2017/18**

The Commissioner introduced the proposed Business Plan for 2010/11-2017/18. It set out how investment in front line services and London’s critical transport projects would be maintained up to 2018. It addressed the impact of the economic downturn, reduced LU patronage figures and the collapse of Metronet. The Plan confirmed that a continuous search for efficiencies would more than double savings from TfL’s budget to over £5bn by 2017/18.

The Mayor and Members commended the work done to produce a credible, balanced plan in difficult economic circumstances. Members noted the progress made in the last 18 months and the importance of delivering transport improvements to Londoners in return for the necessary increases in fares.

**The Board:**

1 approved the Business Plan; and

2 delegated authority to the Managing Director, Finance, to make any further design or editorial changes to the Business Plan as may be required prior to publication.
61/10/09  **Contract for the Provision of Railway Services by London Underground**

Howard Carter introduced the report which explained the requirement for a contract to be put in place between TfL and London Underground Limited for the operation of the passenger transport services provided on the Underground. This requirement had arisen as a result of the European Regulation on Public Passenger Transport Services by Rail and Road.

The Board:

1. noted the contents of the report;
2. approved that a contract be entered into between TfL and LUL for the provision of the Underground services as required by the European Regulation on Public Passenger Transport Services by Rail and Road and as described in the report; and
3. delegated to the Commissioner, Managing Director, Finance, Managing Director, London Underground and General Counsel the authority to agree the terms of such contract and to execute it (whether by deed or otherwise) on behalf of the parties and to do all such other things as they consider necessary or desirable to facilitate compliance with the Regulation.

62/10/09  **Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy**

Howard Carter introduced the report which requested approval of the amended Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy which had been reviewed in line with good practice and amended to bring it up to date. A report would be submitted to a future meeting of the Audit Committee explaining how the Policy applied to TfL’s supply chain.

[ACTION: Howard Carter]

The Board approved the Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy.

63/10/09  **Report from the Meeting of the Safety, Health and Environment Assurance Committee – 14 September 2009**

The Deputy Chairman, Christopher Garnett, gave an update to the Board on the meeting of the Safety, Health and Environment Assurance Committee held on 14 September 2009.

The report was noted.

64/10/09  **Report from the Meeting of the Audit Committee – 29 September 2009**

The Chair of the Committee, Judith Hunt, gave an update to the Board on the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 29 September 2009.

The report was noted.
65/10/09 Report from the Meeting of the Finance and Policy Committee – 9 October 2009

The Chair of the Committee, Peter Anderson, gave an update to the Board on the meeting of the Finance and Policy Committee held on 9 October 2009.

The report was noted.

66/10/09 Any Other Business

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.05am.

The next scheduled meeting would be held on Thursday 10 December 2009 at 10.00am.

Chair: ____________________________

Date: ____________________________