

Date: 27 July 2016

Item: Crossrail – Report on Sponsor Board Proceedings

This paper will be considered in public

1 Summary

- 1.1 This paper summarises the outcomes of the 9 March and 8 June 2016 meetings of the Crossrail Sponsor Board (the Sponsor Board).
- 1.2 A paper is included in Part 2 of the agenda which contains exempt supplementary information. The information is exempt by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 in that it contains information relating to the business affairs of TfL. Any discussion of that exempt information must take place after the press and public have been excluded from this meeting.

2 Recommendation

- 2.1 **The Committee is asked to note this paper and the supplemental paper included on Part 2 of the agenda.**

3 Background

- 3.1 In accordance with the Crossrail Core Agreements, the Sponsor Board is the representative board established by the Sponsors (the Department for Transport (DfT) and TfL) for all matters related to the Crossrail Project.
- 3.2 The Sponsor Board consists of two voting members from each Sponsor, the Head of the Crossrail Joint Sponsor Team and the Crossrail Project Representative (PRep). Crossrail Limited's (CRL) Chief Executive Officer, Programme Director, Finance Director and Operations Director are routinely invited to attend the second half of each meeting. TfL's voting members are Ian Nunn (Chief Finance Officer) and David Hughes (Director of Strategy and Service Development, LU).
- 3.3 Regular reports of Sponsor Board proceedings have previously been shared with Members informally. The arrangements for future reports will be agreed in the coming months.

4 Sponsor Board Proceedings

- 4.1 At both the March and June 2016 Sponsor Board meetings, CRL reported that the project remains on time and on budget. Specific updates included that the central section construction programme remains focussed on fitting out the tunnels, shafts and portals as well as the 10 new stations. The 42km of tunnels have now been fully handed over from the tunnelling teams to the systemwide team, the

final pour of first stage concrete has been completed, more than 35 per cent of track has been laid and 90 per cent of the platforms are complete.

- 4.2 At the March 2016 Sponsor Board meeting, in response to an earlier request from the Sponsor Board, CRL provided an update on the specific plans for bringing the railway into use including the process for securing the relevant Regulatory Approvals, in particular from the Office of Rail and Road (ORR).
- 4.3 At the June 2016 meeting, the main item was the regular six monthly review of the project. Sponsors and CRL discussed in detail the specific plans that CRL has in place to deliver the project on budget and on time. CRL also provided an overview of some of the issues on which there will be increased levels of activity over the next six months which include operational activities such as testing and commissioning and Network Rail's work to upgrade and modernise the existing rail network for the Crossrail Project.

List of Appendices:

A paper on Part 2 of the agenda contains exempt supplementary information.

List of Background Papers:

None

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