

Transport for London

Minutes of the Rail and Underground Panel

Boardroom, 14th Floor, Windsor House, London
10.00am, Wednesday 20 May 2009

Members

Christopher Garnett	Chair
Peter Anderson	Board Member
Charles Belcher	Board Member
Tony West	Board Member
Steve Wright	Board Member

Staff

Steve Allen	Managing Director, Finance
Ian Brown	Managing Director, London Rail
Howard Carter	General Counsel
Naomi Connell	Director of Finance and Support Services, London Underground
Ellen Howard	Director of Corporate Governance
Richard Parry	Interim Managing Director, London Underground
James Varley	Secretariat Officer

11/05/09 Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

Apologies for absence had been received from Daniel Moylan, Dame Tanni Grey-Thompson and Sir Mike Hodgkinson.

Christopher Garnett declared an interest in relation to the Olympic Delivery Authority.

12/05/09 Minutes of the Meeting Held on 26 February 2009

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 February 2009 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

13/05/09 Matters Arising and Actions List

Christopher Garnett expressed his thanks to London Underground for the visit to the Valuing Time workshop.

The Panel noted the Actions List.

14/05/09 Managing Director's Report – London Underground

Richard Parry introduced the report. Panel Members were informed that work was continuing on service modelling for the Olympics. It was noted that a report on cost issues arising from the Olympics would be presented to a future Finance Committee meeting.

As a result of the timings of the Easter holiday and events such as weather disruption, it was difficult to identify clear indications of year on year changes in passenger volumes or revenue. Further analysis was due to take place and would be presented at the next meeting. **[ACTION: Richard Parry]**

The Panel considered the Performance vs. Availability benchmarks and noted that the Waterloo and City Line had not achieved target. A report on the maintenance regime would be provided to a future meeting. **[ACTION: Richard Parry]**

In response to a request from Charles Belcher, Richard Parry undertook to provide a note on the metrics used to calculate performance and what performance benefits should be expected to result from the changes to the Circle Line service. **[ACTION: Richard Parry]**

It was noted that London Rail had input into the High Level Output Strategy for National Rail. The implications of additional passenger capacity on the rail network in London feeding into the London Underground network needed to be given consideration and an update would be given to the Panel at a future meeting. **[ACTION: Richard Parry]**

The Panel noted the report.

15/05/09 Managing Director's Report - London Rail

Ian Brown introduced the report. Tower Gateway station had recently re-opened, seven weeks ahead of schedule. The high level platforms at Stratford had been completed and handed over to Network Rail. The North London Railway Infrastructure Project implementation agreement had been signed and work had commenced. On the East London Line, orders had been placed for three new trains.

Panel Members were informed that the National Passenger Survey score of 77 per cent reflected different aspirations and standards between London Overground and rail operators outside London.

Performance on the Docklands Light Railway (DLR) was under budget, mainly attributable to engineering work. Meetings had taken place with the Managing Directors of two companies involved in the engineering work in order to obtain assurance that improvements would occur.

Following a request from the Chair, Ian Brown undertook to provide a note on the DLR's new timetable, train frequencies and key implementation dates. **[ACTION: Ian Brown]**

The Panel noted the report.

16/05/09 TfL Railway Byelaws

Howard Carter introduced the item.

The Panel agreed to recommend that the Board:

- 1 approve the draft Railway Byelaws; and**
- 2 delegate authority to the Commissioner to make the Railway Byelaws and submit the Railway Byelaws to the Secretary of State for confirmation and make any consequential amendments.**

17/05/09 Any Other Business

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.45am. The next scheduled meeting would be held on Friday 10 July 2009 at 10.00am.

Chair: _____

Date: _____