Transport for London

Minutes of the Meeting

Committee Rooms 4-5, City Hall, The Queen’s Walk, London
2.30pm, Wednesday 7 December 2011

Members
Boris Johnson Chairman
Daniel Moylan Deputy Chairman
Peter Anderson Member
Charles Belcher Member
Isabel Dedring Member
Christopher Garnett Member
Baroness Grey-Thompson Member (for part)
Sir Mike Hodgkinson Member
Eva Lindholm Member
Steven Norris Member
Bob Oddy Member
Patrick O’Keeffe Member
Steve Wright Member

Staff
Steve Allen Managing Director, Finance
Howard Carter General Counsel
Stephen Critchley Chief Finance Officer
Leon Daniels Managing Director, Surface Transport
Michèle Dix Managing Director, Planning
Vernon Everitt Managing Director, Marketing and Communications
Peter Hendy Commissioner
Phil Hufton Asset Performance Director, London Underground (for part)
Simon Kilonback Group Treasurer (for part)
Terry Morgan Chairman, Crossrail Limited
Andrew Pollins Director of Finance, London Rail and London Underground
Clive Walker Director of Internal Audit
Shamus Kenny Head of Secretariat

67/12/11 Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

Apologies for absence had been received from Claudia Arney, Baroness Grey-Thompson (for part), Judith Hunt, Tony West and Keith Williams.

The following interests were declared: Daniel Moylan as a Councillor for the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, a director of the London Transport Museum and Chairman of Urban Design London; Peter Anderson as a director of the Canary Wharf Group plc in relation to Crossrail and the Jubilee line upgrade; Christopher Garnett as a member of the Olympic Delivery Authority and non-executive director of Aggregate Industries Limited; Sir Mike Hodgkinson as a non-executive director of Crossrail Limited; Steven Norris as a Board Member of the London Development Agency, as
Chairman of AMT-Sybex Limited, as a non executive director of Initiate Limited, as Chairman of Saferoad BLG Limited, as an adviser to Dragados SA and as an adviser to Kapsch AG; Bob Oddy on taxi related issues and Steve Wright on matters relating to private hire vehicles.

68/12/11 Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 November 2011

The minutes of the meeting held on 2 November 2011 were approved as a correct record and the Chairman was authorised to sign them.

69/12/11 Matters Arising and Actions List

The Actions List was noted.

70/12/11 Commissioner’s Report

The Commissioner introduced his report, which provided an overview of major issues and developments since the report to the meeting on 2 November 2011 and updated Members on significant projects and initiatives.

The Mayor had secured £136m from the Government, which enabled the January 2012 fare rise to be limited to 5.6 per cent, just above inflation, with no impact on the huge programme of investment in London’s transport network or on essential frontline services.

The Commissioner highlighted a range of safety initiatives by TfL to improve cycle safety in the capital. In addition to the work to deliver the Cycle Safety Action Plan, launched in 2010, the initiatives included a review of all Cycle Superhighway junctions (either implemented or at the planning/design stage) and a review of the TLRN junctions at which work was planned. In light of the disproportionate representation of construction industry vehicles in fatal collisions with cyclists, TfL was commissioning an independent review of these vehicles’ construction, operations and driver standards to examine what can be done to make their operations safer for all road users. TfL was also pursuing further road safety campaigns to increase HGV drivers’ awareness of cyclists and pedestrians, and the responsibility of all road users to be alert and aware of their surroundings, and of other road users.

The Commissioner also highlighted TfL’s engagement with businesses and the freight industry in preparation for the 2012 Games. Members commented on the good work done and that the leadership being shown was being well received. Engagement events for the public would start in early 2012. Further information on transport preparations for the 2012 Games was available on TfL’s Games website.

The Commissioner updated the Board on TfL’s progress against each of the recommendations, made in May 2011, by the Coroner for the London Bombings Inquests that were relevant to TfL. All but one of these recommendations had been completed and the remaining recommendation would be completed shortly.

The Board noted the Commissioner’s report.
**Operational and Financial Performance and Investment Programme Reports – Second Quarter 2011/12**

Steve Allen introduced the report setting out the performance monitoring reports for the second quarter of 2011/12 (26 June – 17 September 2011). He advised that although TfL’s operating income was higher than budget, due to increased fares income, and its operational expenditure was below budget, over the course of the Business Plan any gap between income and expenditure would be utilised by the impact of inflation and the acquisition of Tube Lines debt.

The Board congratulated staff on the improved performance and reliability on the Underground and on the completion of the work on the Blackwall Tunnel.

Future Operational and Financial Performance Reports would include the actual numbers when referring to cycling targets.  

**ACTION: Steve Allen**

The Board noted the reports.

**Business Plan and GLA Budget Submission**

Steve Allen introduced the paper, which set out the context to TfL’s draft submission to the Mayor’s Budget, covering the period to 2014/15. The submission updated the TfL Business Plan, published in March 2011, to reflect changes that have arisen through the quarterly forecast process and the recent announcement that the January 2012 fares increase in London would be held down to 5.6 per cent.

The Board:

1. approved TfL’s Submission to the Mayor’s Budget; and
2. delegated to the Managing Director, Finance, the authority to make editorial or other minor changes as necessary prior to publication and submission to the GLA.

**Rail and Underground Reliability Improvement Programme**

Phil Hufton presented the paper, which provided an update on the Rail and Underground Reliability Improvement Programme that was underway, to improve service reliability for London Underground’s customers.

The Board noted the paper.

**Croxley Rail Link – Proposed Transport and Works Act Order**

Andrew Pollins introduced the paper, which updated the Board on the proposed Croxley Rail Link.
The Board noted the paper and:

1 approved the submission of an application for an Order under the Transport and Works Act 1992 (TWAO) on the basis of joint promotion with Hertfordshire County Council (HCC) that provides all the powers required to construct and operate the Croxley Rail Link;

2 delegated authority to the Managing Director, Rail and Underground (or in his absence, General Counsel) to:

   (a) agree the terms of the Joint Promotion Agreement (between TfL, LU and HCC) and other associated agreements including all arrangements for delivery of the scheme;

   (b) agree the final terms of the application (including the land and interests to be subject to the Order) for the TWAO;

   (c) obtain the Mayor’s written consent to apply for the TWAO (as required by the Greater London Authority Act 1999); and

   (d) do everything else necessary, including signing and/or sealing any documents, agreements or notices required in connection with the submission of the application and promotion of the TWAO including responding to any objections and dealing with any public inquiry that may be held in relation to the proposals; and

3 endorsed commencement of the formal process for the future closure of the section of Metropolitan line to the existing Watford terminus station in parallel with the TWAO application being made.

75/12/11 Report from the Meeting of the Finance and Policy Committee – 23 November 2011

The Chairman of the Committee, Peter Anderson, gave an update to the Board on the meeting of the Finance and Policy Committee held on 23 November 2011.

The Board noted the report.

76/12/11 Report from the Meeting of the Audit Committee – 28 November 2011

Patrick O’Keeffe, Vice-Chair of the Audit Committee, gave an update to the Board on the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 28 November 2011.

The Board noted the report.
Any Other Business

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 4.05pm.

The next scheduled meeting would be held on Wednesday 1 February 2012 at 10.00am.

Chair: __________________________

Date: __________________________