

Transport for London

Minutes of the Meeting

Committee Rooms 4-5, City Hall, The Queen's Walk, London
10.00am, Thursday 4 November 2010

Members

Boris Johnson	Chairman
Daniel Moylan	Deputy Chairman
Peter Anderson	Member
Claudia Arney	Member
Charles Belcher	Member
Sir Mike Hodgkinson	Member
Judith Hunt	Member
Bob Oddy	Member
Patrick O'Keeffe	Member
Kulveer Ranger	Member
Steve Wright	Member

Staff

Steve Allen	Managing Director, Finance
David Brown	Managing Director, Surface Transport
Ian Brown	Managing Director, London Rail
Mike Brown	Managing Director, London Underground
Steve Burton	Director of Community Safety, Enforcement and Policing, Surface Transport (for part)
Howard Carter	General Counsel
Stephen Critchley	Chief Finance Officer
Michèle Dix	Managing Director, Planning
Vernon Everitt	Managing Director, Marketing and Communications
Peter Hendy	Commissioner
Ellen Howard	Director of Corporate Governance
Terry Morgan	Non Executive Chairman, Crossrail
Clive Walker	Interim Director of Internal Audit

Also in Attendance

David James	Chairman, Independent Investment Programme Advisory Group (for part)
Shamus Kenny	Head of Secretariat

64/11/10 Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

Apologies for absence had been received from Christopher Garnett, Baroness Grey-Thompson, Eva Lindholm, Steven Norris, Tony West and Keith Williams.

The Mayor commenced the meeting by recognising the work of Ian Brown, Managing Director of London Rail, who was attending his last Board meeting before retiring. The Board warmly acknowledged Ian Brown's outstanding contribution to the rail industry and public transport and thanked him for his work at TfL. The Board also congratulated David Brown, Managing Director Surface Transport, who had been appointed Group Chief Executive of the Go-Ahead Group and would be leaving TfL at the end of March 2011.

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 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; Sir Mike Hodgkinson as a non-executive director of Crossrail Limited; Bob Oddy on taxi related issues; and Steve Wright on matters relating to private hire vehicles.

65/11/10 Minutes of the Meeting held on 22 September 2010

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 September 2010 were approved as a correct record and the Chairman was authorised to sign them.

66/11/10 Matters Arising and Actions List

The Actions List was noted.

67/11/10 Spending Review 2010

Steve Allen introduced the paper, which provided an overview of the key aspects of TfL's Spending Review settlement and the final settlement letter, following the Chancellor's announcement of 20 October 2010. TfL's proposed response to the new settlement, including the key measures that would enable it to manage within the reduced funding, was outlined in the Commissioner's Report.

The Board congratulated officers on the outcome of the funding settlement, which would enable TfL to continue to deliver the Mayor's top transport priorities, including the full scope of Crossrail and the upgrade of the Tube. In addition, the bus network would be maintained at the mileage level set out in the Business Plan.

The paper included the full details of the Mayor's Direction on fares from 1 January 2011 and further information on the removal of the Congestion Charge Western Extension Zone.

The Board noted the paper.

68/11/10 Commissioner's Report

The Commissioner introduced his report, which provided an overview of major issues and developments since the report to the meeting on 22 September 2010 and updated Members on significant projects and initiatives.

London Underground was investigating some serious but unrelated incidents that had occurred on the Tube in the last few weeks. Reports on the incidents would be considered by the Safety, Health and Environment Assurance Committee.

[ACTION: Mike Brown]

Good progress was now being made on the Jubilee line upgrade and London Underground was increasingly confident that the new signalling would be in operation across most of the line by Christmas 2010.

The Commissioner updated the Board on the industrial action taken by members of the RMT and TSSA unions. Despite the strike on 2 November 2010, the Tube network still carried around 50 per cent of the number of customers as on a normal working day and 75 per cent of stations were operational. The Mayor and the Board thanked those LU staff who continued to work and the volunteers across TfL who assisted in keeping London moving. LU and the RMT union were meeting at ACAS on 4 November 2010 and it was hoped that the TSSA union would join the discussions shortly.

The Commissioner drew the Board's attention to the outstanding customer satisfaction figures on the London Overground, with the second quarter figures being the highest score for overall satisfaction since the survey started. The East London Line project had also been awarded Large Scale Project of the Year at the Railway Industry Innovation Awards, in addition to the award of Major Project of the Year at the National Rail Awards in September and the Regeneration Project of 2010 at the British Construction Industry Awards in October 2010.

The success of the Barclays Cycle Hire Scheme continued to grow. There were now more than 100,000 members and over 1.3 million journeys had been made. Work had also started on the largest docking station in the Scheme at Waterloo, which would have a capacity of 124 spaces and would be operational by mid-December 2010.

The Board noted the Commissioner's report.

69/11/10 TfL Environment Report 2010

Howard Carter introduced the paper, which provided an update on the environmental performance of the TfL Group during 2009/10, as set out in the TfL Environment Report 2010.

The Board noted the paper.

70/11/10 Proposed Transport for London Bill 2010

Howard Carter introduced the paper, which set out the purpose and provisions of a proposed Transport for London Bill. The paper sought authority to promote the Bill, including seeking the consent of the Mayor to deposit the Bill in Parliament.

The Board:

- 1 approved the promotion of the Transport for London Bill 2010 for deposit in Parliament on 26 November 2010 and the completion of all of the statutory**

requirements including obtaining the consent of the Mayor to deposit the Bill; and

- 2 delegated authority to Howard Carter, General Counsel, or in his absence Ellen Howard, Director of Corporate Governance, to amend the Transport for London Bill 2010, if required, prior to deposit and as a consequence of the Parliamentary process and to deposit the Transport for London Bill in Parliament.**

71/11/10 Independent Investment Programme Advisory Group – Revised Terms of Reference

Steve Allen introduced the paper, which set out the Direction from the Mayor and the revised terms of reference for the Independent Investment Programme Advisory Group.

The Board noted the paper.

72/11/10 Use of Resources

Steve Allen introduced the paper, which informed Members of the conclusions of a report from TfL’s auditors, KPMG, on how well TfL managed and used its financial resources. The report had been commissioned by the Audit Commission as part of the now discontinued regime for organisational assessment. Under the last assessment TfL had scored a “performs well” rating, this year, had the process been completed, it was likely that TfL would have scored a “performs excellently” rating, which was the highest rating available. Members congratulated TfL on this achievement.

The Board noted the paper.

73/11/10 The Right Direction: The Mayor’s Strategy to Improve Transport Safety and Security in London 2010 - 2013

David Brown introduced a paper on ‘The Right Direction: the Mayor’s strategy to improve transport safety and security in London 2010 – 2013’. The Strategy set out shared objectives and priorities to focus the attention and resources of relevant partner agencies on common safety and security issues across the transport system.

The Surface Transport Panel, at its meeting on 7 November 2010, would consider revisions to the Strategy under Objective 1 ‘Reduce crime and antisocial behaviour on the public transport network’. The description of illegal cabs would be reviewed to clarify that this did not relate to licensed taxi and private hire vehicles. The strategy would say more on what TfL and partner agencies were doing to reduce the risks and incidents, and to improve the reporting of, sexual offences. David Brown informed the Board that another hard hitting campaign on the dangers of using unbooked and unlicensed vehicles would be launched before Christmas 2010.

The Board:

- 1 approved The Right Direction: the Mayor’s strategy to improve transport safety and security in London 2010-2013; and**

- 2 delegated authority to the Managing Director, Surface Transport, to finalise the report and make any further design or editorial changes to the report as may be required.**

74/11/10 Report from the meeting of the Audit Committee – 28 September 2010

The Chair of the Committee, Judith Hunt, gave an update to the Board on the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 28 September 2010.

The Board noted the report.

75/11/10 Report from the Meeting of the Safety, Health and Environment Assurance Committee – 7 October 2010

In the absence of both the Chairman and the Vice Chairman of the Committee, Howard Carter gave an update to the Board on the meeting of the Safety, Health and Environment Assurance Committee held on 7 October 2010.

The Board noted the report.

76/11/10 Report from the Meeting of the Finance and Policy Committee – 13 October 2010

The Chairman of the Committee, Peter Anderson, gave an update to the Board on the meeting of the Finance and Policy Committee held on 13 October 2010.

The Board noted the report.

77/11/10 Any Other Business

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.45am.

The next scheduled meeting would be held on Wednesday 8 December 2010 at 10.00am.

Chair: _____

Date: _____