TRANSPORT FOR LONDON

BOARD

SUBJECT: REPORT FROM THE MEETING OF THE SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT ASSURANCE COMMITTEE – 15 DECEMBER 2011

DATE: 2 FEBRUARY 2012

1 PURPOSE AND DECISION REQUIRED

1.1 To report to the Board on the meeting of the Safety, Health and Environment Assurance Committee (SHEAC) held on 15 December 2011.

2 BACKGROUND

2.1 The main issues considered by the Committee were:

(a) Air Quality;

(b) Quarterly Health, Safety and Environment Performance Reports – Quarter 2 2011/12;

(c) Health, Safety and Environment Priorities for 2012/13; and

(d) Review of the Management of Workplace Violence Across TfL.

3 ISSUES DISCUSSED

Air Quality

3.1 Kulveer Ranger, the Mayor’s Director of Environment and Digital London, attended the meeting of the Committee for this item. The Committee noted the paper on the implementation of the Mayor’s Air Quality Strategy and discussed various initiatives such as the Low Emission Zone, bus retrofitting, the use of dust suppressants and age limits for taxis.

3.2 The Committee was pleased to note the ‘No idling’ campaign, due to be launched by TfL in January 2012 and supported by Asthma UK and the Royal College of Physicians. The campaign encouraged all motorists in London to switch off their engines when stationary.

Quarterly Health, Safety and Environment Performance Reports – Quarter 2 2011/12

3.3 The Committee noted the quarterly reports from London Underground, Surface Transport, London Rail, Crossrail and the Corporate Directorates, which provided an update on significant matters from the reporting quarter.
Health, Safety and Environment Priorities for 2012/13

3.4 The Committee noted the planned priorities for 2012/13. These planned priorities were pan-TfL to include all business units, with the exception of specific safety priorities for Crossrail. The Committee noted Crossrail’s work with Manchester University to measure the health of tunnelling workers.

Review of the Management of Workplace Violence Across TfL

3.5 The Committee noted the paper, which provided an overview of TfL’s approach to tackling workplace violence.

4 RECOMMENDATION

4.1 The Board is asked to NOTE the report.

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