

**Date:** 21 February 2018

**Item:** Crossrail Update

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**This paper will be considered in public.**

## **1 Summary**

- 1.1 This paper provides an update on the status of the Crossrail Project, which is now 90 per cent complete.
- 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 Crossrail update**

- 3.1 Good progress is being made across a number of areas, and the programme continues to forecast successful introduction of Elizabeth line services on schedule in December this year.
- 3.2 In October 2017, Abbey Wood station opened on schedule and a Class 345 train was brought into the central tunnel for the first time and hauled to Abbey Wood to undertake initial testing.
- 3.3 A number of Network Rail works to deliver infrastructure between Paddington and Heathrow were completed over Christmas 2017 and handed back on-time for operational services on 2 January 2018. These works will support operation of services between these two locations from May 2018. A significant highlight was the delivery of major signalling and track works in the Paddington area to connect in the Crossrail tunnels and depot to the mainline. Platform extension works, CCTV to support Driver Only Operation (DOO) and electrification were also delivered at the same time. Works to extend the railway sidings at Gidea Park in readiness for longer trains to be brought into service in Stage 4 (Shenfield to Paddington) were also delivered over Christmas 2017.
- 3.4 A major milestone was achieved on 1 February 2018 when the sub-station at Pudding Mill Lane was successfully switched on. Preparations are continuing with the next stages to begin testing of the new trains and infrastructure.

- 3.5 At the new depot facility at Old Oak Common, the first stage of the depot was energised on 9 January 2018 and testing has now commenced at the facility.
- 3.6 There remain, however, some significant cost and schedule pressures, which continue to be actively managed by Crossrail Limited. Further details are provided in a Part 2 paper.

**List of Appendices:**

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

**List of Background Papers:**

None.

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