Transport for London

Minutes of the Safety and Sustainability Panel

Boardroom, 14th Floor, Windsor House, London 10.00am, Tuesday 16 July 2013

Members Charles Belcher

Charles Belcher Michael Liebreich Richard Barnes Bob Oddy	Chair Vice Chair Member Member
In Attendance	
Brian Cooke	Board Member
Gordon Sellers	Adviser
Shaun McCarthy	Adviser
Staff	
Martin Brown	Head of Health, Safety and Environment, Rail and Corporate
Mike Brown	Managing Director, Rail and Underground
Howard Carter	General Counsel
Leon Daniels	Managing Director, Surface Transport
Steve Hails	Director of Health and Safety, Crossrail
Mike Weston	Operations Director, Surface Transport
James Varley	Secretariat Officer

11/07/13 Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

Apologies for absence had been received from Sir Brendan Barber, Baroness Grey-Thompson DBE and Jill Collis.

There were no interests to be declared that were relevant to the items on the agenda.

12/03/13 Minutes of the Meeting of the Safety and Sustainability Panel Held on 19 March 2013

The minutes of the meeting of the Safety and Sustainability Panel held on 19 March 2013 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

13/07/13 Matters Arising and Actions List

There were no matters arising.

The Panel noted the Actions List.

14/07/13 Rail and Underground Quarterly Health, Safety and Environment Performance Report – Quarter 4 2012/13

Mike Brown introduced the report. Category A and B Signals Passed at Danger (SPADs) on London Overground were a key focus and discussions were taking place to ensure matters were addressed by LOROL. Dialogue was also taking place with Network Rail with regard to Category B SPADs, which resulted from infrastructure factors rather than driver behaviour. Panel Members would be invited to a meeting with LOROL to observe how SPADs were managed. [Action: Martin Brown]

The Panel asked for the opportunity to provide input into the Crossrail franchise specification, with particular focus on sustainability matters. [Action: Mike Brown]

Waste volumes had increased over the period. This was due to improvements in collection and better reporting.

The Panel welcomed the pro-active work on identifying broken rails, which was a key part of the system safety control mechanism.

The Panel noted the report.

15/07/13 Surface Transport Quarterly Health, Safety and Environment Performance Report – Quarter 4 2012/13

Leon Daniels introduced the report. The Panel was given an update on the two recent cycling fatalities at Aldgate and Holborn. Strategies relating to heavy goods vehicles (HGV's) in London were under discussion. The Mayor's Cycling Vision proposed a number of improvements that would help reduce cyclist fatalities on the roads.

The Panel noted that the changes to contract specification on projects had resulted in construction vehicles on TfL projects being required to be fitted with side protection.

The Panel offered its full support for any activities to further improve safety for cyclists in London.

Usage of electric vehicles was below target and consideration was being given to methods of encouraging demand. The Panel would be provided with further information on usage rates and the location of 'fast charge' points in central London.

[Action: Leon Daniels]

The Panel noted the report.

16/07/13 Crossrail Quarterly Health, Safety and Environment Performance Report – Quarter 4 2012/13

Steve Hails introduced the report. The Crossrail Frontline Leadership Programme was progressing well and would be shared within TfL.

Accessibility at Crossrail stations was being reviewed and assessments were taking place to identify opportunities for potential improvements. This work would also look at a number of key stations outside the GLA boundary.

The Panel noted the report.

17/07/13 Forward Look Agenda Plan – July 2013 – March 2015

Martin Brown introduced the paper, which outlined items to be presented to the Panel in future meetings. The list was not exhaustive and would be updated after meetings.

The Panel requested additional items to the Forward Plan including Green Space Management, Energy Efficiency, Crossrail Accessibility, Electric Vehicle Strategy, Safety Organisation Structure and Air Quality Strategy. Further sessions would be arranged to allow a more general discussion around some of the items.

[Action: Secretariat]

The Panel noted the paper.

18/07/13 Any Other Business

Howard Carter informed the Panel that the Occupational Health team had been awarded a Healthy Workplace Charter award and the Panel congratulated the Occupational Health team on this achievement.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11:35am. The next scheduled meeting would be held on Wednesday 9 October 2013 at 10.00am.

Chair:

Date: