

Board



Date: 24 September 2014

Item 12: Report of the meeting of the Safety, Accessibility and Sustainability Panel held on 15 July 2014

This paper will be considered in public

1 Summary

- 1.1 To report to the Board on the meeting of the Safety, Accessibility and Sustainability Panel held on 15 July 2014.

2 Recommendation

- 2.1 **That the Board note the report.**

3 Background

- 3.1 The main matters considered by the Panel were:
- (a) Quarterly Health, Safety and Environment Performance Reports for Quarter 4, 2013/14;
 - (b) Structures and Tunnels Investment Portfolio – Managing Safety Risks;
 - (c) Accessibility Programme;
 - (d) The Right Direction: The Mayor’s Strategy for Improving Transport Safety, Security and Reliability in London 2014 – 2017;
 - (e) Update on Green Vehicle Initiatives;
 - (f) Resilience Report;
 - (g) Legal Compliance Report (1 October 2013 – 31 March 2014); and
 - (h) Key Findings from Internal Audit Reports.
- 3.2 Following the formal meeting, the Panel received a briefing on Accessibility Research.

4 Issues Discussed

Quarterly Health, Safety and Environment Performance Reports for Quarter 4, 2013/14

- 4.1 The Panel noted the quarterly HSE reports for Quarter 4, 2013/14, for Rail and Underground, Surface Transport, Crossrail and the Corporate directorates. Items discussed included:
- (a) the trend in Lost Time Injuries and the work done to put in place mitigating activities;
 - (b) incidents of London Overground trains rolling forward at stations. The distances involved were very small and investigations were taking place with the operator;
 - (c) the trend in wrong side door opening on London Tramlink services and the review of human factors which had subsequently taken place. Further actions were also being undertaken to reduce risk;
 - (d) the progress made by Surface Transport in enhancing road safety focussing on heavy goods vehicles, including influencing legislation and vehicle design; and
 - (e) the outcome of the Health and Safety Executive investigation into the contractor fatality at the Crossrail C300 Fisher Street site.

Structures and Tunnels Investment Portfolio – Managing Safety Risks

- 4.2 The Panel noted the paper, which outlined the approach used to evaluate safety. The Panel welcomed the progress made.

Accessibility Programme

- 4.3 The Panel noted the paper and presentation, which gave an overview of TfL's plans to improve accessibility. London Underground was focussing on increasing the number of accessible journeys for its customers. The 'Turn Up and Go' service on London Overground had gone well and TfL was engaged in promoting the concept across the national rail network. TfL was also looking at using commercial opportunities to assist in funding improvements.

The Right Direction: The Mayor's Strategy for Improving Transport Safety, Security and Reliability in London 2014 – 2017

- 4.4 The Panel noted the paper and draft strategy document. Comments from the Panel were considered and would be fed into the final draft.

Update on Green Vehicle Initiatives

- 4.5 The Panel noted the paper, which provided an update on the initiatives to support low emission vehicles. The hybrid bus fleet continued to expand and an additional hydrogen bus was being introduced to the existing fleet.

Dialogue was taking place with car clubs and the potential for a floating electric vehicle club was being explored.

Resilience Report

- 4.6 The Panel noted the report.

Legal Compliance Report (1 October 2013 – 31 March 2014)

- 4.7 The Panel noted the legal compliance matters for the period 1 October 2013 – 31 March 2014.

Key Findings from Internal Audit Reports

- 4.8 The Panel noted the Internal Audit Reports related to safety and sustainability issued during Quarter 4 2013/14. Work had taken place to address the findings of the recent audit of London Underground's Implementation of Rule or Procedural Changes process.

Briefing on Accessibility Research

- 4.9 Following the formal meeting, Members took part in a briefing session on the Accessibility Research activities carried out by Dr Alison Holloway and her team from University College London.

List of appendices to this report:

None.

List of Background Papers:

Papers for the meeting of the Safety, Accessibility and Sustainability Panel held on 15 July 2014.

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