

**Board**

**Transport  
for London**



**Date: 5 November 2014**

**Item 15 Report of the meeting of the Safety, Accessibility and Sustainability Panel held on 15 October 2014**

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**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 October 2014.

## **2 Recommendation**

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

## **3 Background**

- 3.1 The main matters considered by the Panel were:
- (a) Annual Health, Safety and Environment and Resilience Assurance Letters;
  - (b) Quarterly Health, Safety and Environment Performance Reports for Quarter 1, 2014;
  - (c) Platform Train Interface Incidents;
  - (d) Resilience Report;
  - (e) Key Findings from Internal Audit Reports;
  - (f) Review of Health, Safety and Environmental and Technical Audits;
  - (g) Update on Adviser Recruitment; and
  - (h) Agenda Forward Look.

## **4 Issues Discussed**

### **Annual Health, Safety and Environment and Resilience Assurance Letters**

- 4.1 The Panel noted the paper and Assurance Letters. The process had been in place for seven years. Assurance was a high priority in TfL and was discussed at regular meetings with the Commissioner and senior staff. TfL

carried our regular testing and exercises and also took part in exercises run by external agencies.

### **Quarterly Health, Safety and Environment Performance Reports for Quarter 1, 2014/15**

- 4.2 The Panel noted the quarterly HSE reports for Quarter 1, 2014/15, for Rail and Underground, Surface Transport, Crossrail and the Corporate directorates. Items discussed included:
- (a) the recent 'Access for All' event;
  - (b) the positive outcomes of the 'Supplier Safety Forum' run by Rail and Underground with its associated supply chains;
  - (c) the successful introduction of cash-free operation on buses, which had resulted in a reduction in conflict and assaults against bus operators;
  - (d) the long term usage and strategy for power storage modules from hybrid buses;
  - (e) the continuing work done to reduce the number of people killed or seriously injured on London's roads; and
  - (f) Crossrail's work on safety culture on above-ground sites.

### **Platform Train Interface Incidents**

- 4.3 The Panel noted the paper, which outlined the work being done to mitigate the risk of Platform Train Interface incidents, particularly around the introduction of new rolling stock on the Sub-surface lines.

### **Resilience Report**

- 4.4 The Panel noted the report. Preparations were underway for the New Year's Eve event, which would, for the first time, be ticketed. Guidance was being drawn up for dealing with risk associated with the Ebola virus.

### **Key Findings from Internal Audit Reports**

- 4.5 The Panel noted the paper and were informed that actions relating to the management of Temporary Approved Non-Compliance for signal asset planned maintenance had been taken and the audit was now closed.

### **Review of Health, Safety and Environment and Technical Audits**

- 4.6 The Panel noted the paper and discussed the need to modify the reporting process to provide more assurance to the Panel.

### **Update on Adviser Recruitment**

- 4.7 The Panel noted the paper, which provided an update on the recruitment process. Dr Gordon Sellers's contract had been extended to 31 October 2014 and a new appointment would be made prior to the next meeting of the Panel.

### **Agenda Forward Look**

- 4.8 The Panel noted the paper, which listed future topics for discussion at meetings.

### **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 October 2014.

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