
Secretariat memorandum

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Actions taken

1 Purpose of report

- 1.1. To record matters dealt with by the Chair, Deputy Chair, Chief Executive and/or the secretariat since the last meeting.

2 Recommendation

- 2.1. That the report is received for information.

3 Information

- 3.1. Euston to St Pancras interchange meeting.

On 13 January 2010 London TravelWatch hosted, with Eurostar and Southeastern, a meeting and walk to promote the concept of a better pedestrian interchange between Euston and St Pancras King's Cross.

The meeting was attended by Train Operating Companies (six attended the meeting), Network Rail, the local Highway authority and Transport for London (TfL). Sir Peter Hall, a Department for Transport station champion, and Baron Faulkner of Worcester, Government Minister, tried to attend, but were thwarted by the adverse weather.

The concept was well received and is being progressed by Officers. To date three participants have confirmed their support and TfL Officers are seeking a mandate from the TfL Interchange Board to include this in their work programme.

4 Equalities and inclusion implications

- 4.1. In accordance with London TravelWatch's duties under the Disability Discrimination Act and other legislation, account is taken when responding to consultations on proposals from external bodies of their particular impact (if any) on the needs of people whose access to transport may be restricted by reason of disability or social exclusion.

5 Financial implications

- 5.1. No specific financial implications for London TravelWatch arise from this report.

6 Legal powers

- 6.1. Section 248 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 places upon London TravelWatch (as the London Transport Users Committee) a duty to consider - and where it appears to the Committee to be desirable, to make recommendations with respect to - any matter affecting the functions of the Greater London Authority or Transport for London which relate to transport (other than of freight). Section 252A of the same Act (as amended by Schedule 6 of the Railways Act 2005) places a similar duty upon the Committee to keep under review matters affecting the interests of the public in relation to railway passenger and station services provided wholly or partly within the London railway area, and to make representations about them to such persons as it thinks appropriate.