Transport Services Committee 20.10.10



Confidential Minutes

Agenda item: 12 Drafted: 8.10.10

Confidential minutes of a meeting of the Transport Service Committee held on 21 July 2010 at 6 Middle Street, London EC1

This meeting was held in private session with reference to section 15(2)(b) of schedule 18 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999, that, by reason of the confidential nature of the item(s) to be discussed, it was desirable in the public interest that the public should be excluded.

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Present

Members: Gail Engert; Teena Lashmore; Lorna Reith (Chair); Sharon Grant (Chair, London TravelWatch)

David Barry (Observer)

Staff

Chief Executive; Committee Administrator; Director, Research and Development; Senior Policy Officer;

Minutes

1 Confidential Minutes

The confidential minutes of the meeting on the 28 May 2010 were agreed and signed for the record.

2 Crossrail Southern branch

The Senior Policy Officer reported that he had met with Network Rail regarding the closure of lines in the Abbey Wood area due to Crossrail. Network Rail is proposing to increase to 4 track railway up to the mouth of the tunnel at Woolwich. There are 2 options. Either a 7 month closure (May to December 2013) from Abbey Wood to Belvedere (with an accompanying increase in local bus services; or closures over weekends for 4 and a half years.

Members felt that the 7 month closure was preferable, but that there should be some flexibility or mitigation on the operation of the works, for example, having a tidal flow, etc. The Senior Policy Officer would follow up this item with Network Rail.

3 Meeting Review

Members felt that the meeting was too long. They also wished to have a larger allocation of time for the performance reports.

The South London Line and performance reports would be publicised. On the South London Line risk had been mitigated, as the Campaign for Better Transport (CfBT) had approved London TravelWatch's work.

4 Glossary

CfBT Campaign for Better Transport