
Secretariat memorandum

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Actions taken

1 Purpose of report

1.1 To record actions taken by members or officers since the last meeting.

2 Recommendation

2.1 None – this report is for information only.

3 Information

3.1 The Safety & Policy Adviser has updated the Incident Table following his previous report to committee in March 2012 and it is attached as an appendix. The text in red is new information.

3.2 On 15.03.12 the Director, Policy and Investigation, met Network Rail regarding their future Long Term Planning Process, which will replace the previous Route Utilisation Strategies.

3.3 On 16.03.12 the Director, Policy and Investigation, met officers at Brent Council to discuss the Chiltern timetable review.

3.4 On 20.03.12 the Director, Policy and Investigation, met the Office of Rail Regulation to discuss their station usage data.

3.5 On 22.03.12 the Director, Policy and Investigation, met South West Trains and Network Rail to discuss the proposed alterations to Waterloo Travel Centre.

3.6 On 30.03.12 the Director, Policy and Investigation, met Southern to discuss the proposed Redhill blockade.

3.7 On 30.03.12 London TravelWatch sent its response to the Department for Transport regarding Great Western re-franchising.

3.8 On 13.04.12 the Policy Officer met the Office of Rail Regulation and Network Rail to discuss the proposed Alliancing arrangements on National Rail

3.9 On 04.05.12 the Director, Policy and Investigation, met Stagecoach to discuss their Great Western franchise bid.

3.10 On 11.05.12 London TravelWatch sent its response to the Department for Transport regarding Essex Thameside re-franchising.

- 3.11 On 01.06.12 the Director, Policy and Investigation, met TfL to discuss the Rail devolution paper.
- 3.12 On 14.06.12 the Policy Officer met TfL regarding London Overground's Olympic preparations.
- 3.13 On 12.06.12 London TravelWatch sent its response to the Chiltern timetable consultation.

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 Legal powers

- 5.1 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.

6 Financial implications

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

SUMMARY OF RAIB INVESTIGATION REPORTS INTO INCIDENTS OCCURRING IN THE LONDON RAILWAY AREA, AND OF LONDON UNDERGROUND FORMAL INQUIRY REPORTS, WHERE THESE AFFECT PASSENGER SAFETY ISSUES (updated 06.03.12)

Date	Location	Line/operator	Nature of incident	Subject of recommendations
26.05.11	Kentish Town	First Capital Connect	Train moved with some doors open after being stranded without ventilation for a prolonged period as a result of overhead line problems, during which some passengers opened doors and alighted onto trackside	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Protocols for handling of stranded trains - Staff training - Management processes for emergency preparedness - Tracking lessons identified in incident reviews - Maintaining facilities on board when power supply is lost
10.10.11	King's Cross	First Capital Connect	Doors closed on fingers of passenger on platform, who was dragged a short distance as train departed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Instructions and guidance for train despatch staff - Poster campaign to alert passengers to danger of attempting to board when doors are closing - Reminding drivers to stop train immediately if emergency alarm is activated while it is still in station