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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 On 6 September 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, met National Express regarding their bid for East Thameside.
- 3.2 On 7 September 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, attended an Office of Rail Regulation workshop on the Periodic Review 2013 Outputs Consultation.
- 3.3 On 13 September 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, Casework Manager, Casework Officer and Policy Officer met the Office of Rail Regulation in relation to consumer issues.
- 3.4 On 13 September 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, met Transport for London to discuss proposed changes to Transport for London's consumer proposition.
- 3.5 On 14 September 2012 London TravelWatch submitted its response to the Department for Transport's consultation on the abolition of the Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee.
- 3.6 On 18 September 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, gave a presentation to the Bromley Links group.
- 3.7 On 21 September 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, and Policy Officer met London Underground to discuss the Barking station upgrade.
- 3.8 On 26 September 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, gave a presentation to Hackney Disability Backup.
- 3.9 On 28 September 2012 London TravelWatch submitted evidence to the London Assembly investigation on tube performance.

- 3.10 On 11 October 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, and Communications Officer met Transport for London to discuss the communications plan for the East London Line extension to Clapham Junction and the withdrawal of the South London Line.
- 3.11 On 12 October 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, Casework Manager and Policy Officer met Network Rail regarding the Gatwick station upgrade.
- 3.12 On 19 October 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, attended the Gatwick Area Transport Forum.
- 3.13 On 25 October 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, visited Passenger Focus in Manchester for comparative discussions.
- 3.14 On 31 October 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, attended the Future Ticketing conference.
- 3.15 On 6 November 2012, London TravelWatch submitted its response to the Department for Transport consultation on changes to the Bus Service Operators Grant.
- 3.16 On 8 November 2012, London TravelWatch submitted its response to the Crossrail consultation on additional powers under the Transport & Works Act in relation to the Crossrail to Bakerloo line link passage at Paddington station.
- 3.17 On 20 November 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, attended a site visit with Network Rail, c2c and London Borough of Barking and Dagenham regarding Dagenham Dock station lifts.
- 3.18 On 21 November 2012 the Chief Executive and the Director, Policy and Investigation, met with officers from Brown Review into rail franchising.
- 3.19 On 29 November 2012 the Director, Policy and Investigation, attended the Network Rail London and the South East Market Study Working Group.

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.