

Central London Freight Quality Partnership



Current Freight Issues Group (CFIG) Meeting notes

Date/Time: 9th May 2017 9.45 to 12:45

Venue: Meeting Room C 279
University of Westminster,
35 Marylebone Road
London NW1 5LS

Notes of meeting held on 9th May 2017

Present

Michael Browne (Chair)	University of Gothenburg
Julian Allen	University of Westminster (UoW)
Roy Turner	London Borough of Camden
Ron Searle	Travis Perkins
Antoneta Horbury	Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea
Vicky Keeble	Cross River Partnership (CRP)
Jerry Ward	John Lewis Partnership (JLP)
Toby Jacobs	Westminster City Council (WCC)
Mick Dearle	Martin Brower
Amanda Zambon	DHL
Matthew Bennett	West End Partnership 'People' Group
Andy Wilson	TNT/Fedex
Sam Clarke	Gnewt Cargo
Tom Parker	City of London
Denise Beedell	Federation of Small Businesses (FSB)
Donata MacCrossan	TfL
Jolyon Drury	CILT
Dennis Lynch	CLFQP
Andrew Lowery	Carousel Logistics
Freddie Talberg	Pie Mapping
Anthony McNamara	West Trans
Natalie Chapman	FTA

Item 1

Welcome, introductions and apologies.

Mike Browne welcomed everyone, and introductions were made.

Item 2

Notes of the last meeting (Current Freight Issues Group meeting on 19th January 2017)

Mike Browne went briefly through the meeting notes, the notes were then agreed.

Outstanding issues from the previous meeting:

Baker Street 2-way scheme

The Baker Street two-way scheme will be discussed at a future meeting.

Action: Hugh Brennan/Toby Jacobs to arrange.

TNT/Fedex meeting with WCC

Meetings have taken place. No further action for CLFQP.

LLCS

Denise Beedell would update members under AOB.

40 minute unloading/loading

Dennis confirmed replies had been received from London Councils, copies of these are attached. No further CLFQP action at present.

All other items will be covered under the current agenda.

Item 3

Cross River Partnership projects (CRP)

Vicky Keeble gave an update on Freight TAILS and reminded members that the CRP's new Business and Efficiency Savings Tool **deliverBest** will be launched on the 10th May (this will recommend action businesses can take to improve the impact their deliveries have on central London).

Vicky then opened a discussion on the following:

1. What is the link between regulation and enforcement of urban freight transport and voluntary behaviour change?
2. What type of regulation/proposed regulation would encourage logistics operators to change their urban freight transport operations?
3. Has ULEZ resulted in changing fleets/operating practices? What are the key factors involved in these decisions?

4. Is regulation and enforcement the only way to achieve a change in urban freight transport or could more be done on a voluntary/incentives based approach?

If there are any issues or comments not covered by the discussion please write to Vicky at vkeeble@westminster.gov.uk or to Dennis at d.lynch@westminster.ac.uk

Vicky also confirmed the details of the FREVUE FINAL CONFERENCE on the 21 June 2017

To register for the event please see: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/frevue-final-conference-tickets-33496669440>

Item 4

TfL Projects update (Including Freight Forum feedback)

Donata MacCrossan provided an update on freight-related work, and commented on the following issues/areas:

- ULEZ development, with a stakeholder event planned for the 16th June and the group were reminded consultation ends on the 25th June.
- Freight Forum 31st March:
 - Mayors' Transport Strategy
 - London Councils review of the London Lorry Control Scheme (the next meeting is planned for the 24th May).
 - Congestion group discussion
 - The CILT will chair the next Forum
- Rapid chargers: TfL is also looking to identify a range of locations across TfL, borough and private land which would be capable of hosting EV rapid charge points. The ambition is to achieve a mix of both roadside and off-street locations. There are processes in place to make sure they're placed correctly.

Action: Dennis will arrange for a presentation/discussion on "Rapid Charging" at a future meeting.

Item 5

Issue of logistics land availability in Central London (Update)

Julian Allen discussed an event run by the University of Westminster on 26 April 2017 on 'Logistics land availability in London'. This was a follow-on event to a discussion that took place at the previous CLFQP meeting on 19 January.

The event was organised as part of three projects on urban freight currently taking place at the University (Freight Traffic Control 2050, CITYLAB and VREF CoE-SUFS). Julian summarised the purpose and focus of the event: the availability and affordability of logistics land is becoming an ever more difficult problem across the entire urban area, with especially limited opportunities for small logistics sites for innovative sustainable last-mile freight transport solutions in central and inner London.

The event brought together the public and private sectors to discuss the issue, and tried to include as wide a group of interested parties as possible (including town planners, transport planners, property consultants, and freight operators). Many organisations that participate in the CLFQP were represented at the event. Much useful discussion was generated at the event.

The University of Westminster is planning to write an article based on the event, possibly for consideration for publication in CILT Focus (the magazine published by professional body for transport and logistics professionals in the UK). It was felt that it would be worthwhile for CLFQP participants to be provided with any such article and to discuss whether its contents could be used as a basis for a submission to the draft Mayor's Transport Strategy when it is published.

Item 6 **Borough initiatives and issues on Freight**

Toby Jacobs

Toby from Westminster City Council updated the members on areas of work WCC were progressing on sustainable Freight delivery schemes and other initiatives that impact Freight, covering the following:

- Land use for Logistics/Freight
- Meetings with UPS, TNT and DHL
- Transport hubs
- Use of Car Parks
- Oxford Street Transformation
- Use of pavements
- Sharing of Freight best practice
- How smaller freight operators can improve deliveries.

Tom Parker

Tom from the City of London gave an update of Freight work being planned and developed in the City, covering the following:

- Changes covering waiting, loading restrictions and other vehicle restrictions around the "Bank" area within the City. A leaflet covering these changes was circulated to the group.
Action: Tom will provide the link and details of these changes to Dennis for early circulation to all members of the CLFQP.
- Consolidation both Micro and Macro
- Guidance on Delivery/Service Plans
- Reducing Freight to improve security
- Car Park uses
- Trends in Freight around the City

Anthony McNamara

The following items were raised by Anthony covering West London Boroughs:

This is the link for the electric vehicle trial <https://locity.org.uk/2017/03/free-hillingdon-electric-van-trial/>

Their DSP guidance can be found here
<http://www.westtrans.org/wla/wt2.nsf/pages/WT-200>

Anthony explained that the highway data for the six West London boroughs had been gathered together and placed in the GLA datastore
<https://data.london.gov.uk/>

If anyone has any ideas on how updating the data automatically could be achieved and how we can get all the other authorities to gather the same data (in order that the data is available for more of London) then please get in touch with Anthony McNamara (email: McNamaraA@ealing.gov.uk).

Antoneta Horbury

A trial is being undertaken on “lamppost” charging for Electric Vehicles. Further details can be obtained from the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea.

Item 7

Members Updates/any other business

The following were raised by the group:

Denise Beedell

Denise from the FSB summarised the London Councils LLCS meeting for “freight operators” at the Oval. Confirming it was well organised, with lively discussion, fair questions, and confirmation that issues raised would be considered in the final review.

Natalie raised the subject of “Centre for London: Commission on the future of London's roads and streets” this commission have requested a [public call for evidence](#).

Action: Dennis would circulate the information and links ASAP

Item 8

Date of next meetings:

4th July

10th October