

CENTRAL LONDON FREIGHT QUALITY PARTNERSHIP WORK REVIEW 2022-2023

This paper lists the key achievements and outputs for the CLFQP in 2022/23. (Year ending 6th April 2023)

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With input from the Central London Boroughs and key freight industry stakeholders, quarterly meetings have been convened focusing on the key issues affecting freight activity in London. We have held online meetings throughout 2022/23 due, in part, to the uncertainty of Covid 19 pandemic. We plan to continue to hold on-line meetings for the for next year (2023/2024) however our aim will be to hold at least one face to face meeting if the group agree.

We have also continued to raise the profile of the Freight Industry through building links between the Boroughs/Cross River Partnership/Trade Associations and Transport for London (TfL).

We have continued to broaden borough engagement with more of the London Boroughs attending meetings during 2022/2023 and will look to invite more London boroughs to our meetings in 2023/24.

Borough meeting attendance has been very good during this year, making a very positive and worthwhile contribution to the meetings. Total meeting size is now regularly approaching 30, moving to on-line meetings has not been an issue and attendance remains strong.

Main outputs:

- Organising and managing the day-to-day operation of the CLFQP, and the 4 CFIG meetings throughout the year.
- Organised Kerbside discussions with freight operators and London boroughs hosted by the City of London at the Guildhall

- Developed a CLFQP kerbside working group that has had interactions with the London boroughs and various interested parties, includes presenting to the London Planning & Development Forum, and interacting with New London Architects.
- Continued updates at CFIG meetings and separate borough/operators meetings, with on-street investigations in various London boroughs.
- CLFQP have attended TfL's Direct Vision Standard 2 and have been part of the working group.
- CLFQP have been working with TfL to review and assist with safe working practices of Cargo Bikes, including design, construction and safe working loads.
- Working with London Councils and TfL to develop and publish protocols for delivering across unsegregated cycle lanes.
- Arrange for various boroughs to experience a live delivery to look at the challenges drivers face in London by travelling with freight operators on their delivery rounds to look at congestion, kerbside access drivers face day to day.
- CLFQP have assisted with studies into kerbside conflicts, arranging site visits and interviews with various stakeholders.
- The funding and management of the London FQP website, including updating useful links to related websites. (http://www.centrallondonfqp.org/)

Other Activities:

On behalf of the CLFQP members, information has been given to support responses to a number of formal consultations; we have also encouraged members where appropriate to reply to consultations. We have also helped with Borough dissemination/circulation of traffic order amendments and Road Work schemes.

Where required, the CLFQP has also convened special meetings/sessions to bring the Freight Industry, Boroughs, and other stakeholders together to discuss issues such as:

- The promotion and dissemination of issues affecting both the freight industry and local Boroughs.
- Kerbside access issues and Delivery & Servicing plans.

We have worked closely with TfL on:

- Direct Vision Standard (DVS 2)
- Cargo Bike construction and use.
- Industry response and issues with the implementation of the ULEZ
- TfL Freight forums.

- TfL Freight Advisory Group
- Weekly roads meetings
- · Communication on planned road works
- Kerbside access project

The following presentations/discussions were made at CLFQP meetings during the year:

- Future Freight Plan (Department for Transport)
- Strategic Approach to Kerbside on TfL road network (TfL)
- Freight Planning in the US (Joe Dack)
- Loading space for freight (David Kayner)
- Freight Operating Environment (TfL)
- Rapid Charging London's E-Fleets (ZevHub)

Finance

The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT) has helped in the coordination of funding from the public and private sector enabling CLFQP to carry out the activities listed above.

Meeting attendance:

We are consistently achieving over 25 participants/members at meetings of the Current Freight Issues Group.

John Crosk May 2023