Central London Freight Quality Partnership

Current Freight Issues Group Meeting (CFIG) notes

Date/Time: 29th April 2014  9:45 to 12:55

Venue:
Meeting Room C419
University of Westminster,
35 Marylebone Road,
London NW1 5LS

Notes of meeting held on 29th April 2014

Present
Michael Browne (Chair)  University of Westminster/CLFQP
Dennis Lynch  CLFQP
Jerry Ward  John Lewis Partnership
Martin Rose  Transport for London
Terri Collett  Transport for London
Jolyon Drury  CILT
Martin Schulz  TNT Express
Andrew Stendall  A S Watson
Natalie Chapman  FTA
Charlie Allen  DHL
Hugh Brennan  London Borough of Westminster
Colin Garner  Pie
Cecilia Cruz  University of Burgundy
Antoine Montenon  IFSTTAR
Matthew Noon  CRP
**Item 1**

**Welcome, introductions and apologies.**
Mike Browne welcomed everyone, introductions were made and apologies accepted. Two visitors from France looking at Low Emissions Zones for France (RETMIF Project) were welcomed.

Mike Browne thanked those who had managed to come to the meeting under the difficult circumstances due to London Underground Strike.

**Item 2**

**Notes of the last meeting (Current Freight Issues Group meeting of 25th February 2014)**

The meeting notes were agreed.

Outstanding issues from the previous meeting:
No progress had been made on PCN Update, Dennis was still awaiting response from TfL.

The Westminster enforcement review will be covered by Kieran Fitsall under item 8 of the agenda.

Cross River Partnership Projects update will be covered under Item 4 by Matthew Noon.

On the “Quiet Delivery Demonstration Scheme”, there had been no further action by CLFQP. The guides are now available see:


The role of the CLFQP will be to share and discuss the relevant issues contained within these guides.

**Action:** Dennis will arrange a discussion on this subject at a later meeting.

**All other items will be covered under the current agenda.**

**Item 3/6**

**Borough Initiatives and Issues on Freight and CLFQP work programme 2014/15 including Borough LIP funding support (Freight)**

Dennis confirmed he had received replies from Kensington and Chelsea and Camden on their LIP Funding Programmes. However, neither Borough had “freight” specific projects. Hugh Brennan listed the projects which
Westminster where pursuing, emphasising which ones would impact on freight.

The Group felt that there were no freight specific projects the CLFQP should be involved across any of the boroughs at present. The CLFQP would review this at future meetings with general discussion and support where necessary.

No further action will be taken on the drafting of an aide memoire.

**Action:** Dennis will liaise with Matthew Noon to establish if any freight issues are contained within the Sub-Regional Plans.

**Item 4**  
**Cross River Partnership projects update**
Matthew Noon gave an update on the following projects:

- **Air Quality:** This issue is high on the Political Agenda for London and will be helped with the introduction of the ULEZ planned for 2020.

- **FREVUE:** This project is planning to use 50 Electric Vehicles, some new, some converted. Matthew asked if any members had electric charging point supply issues. (TNT, DHL and JLP had no issues)

- **Consolidation:** Matthew briefly covered work being carried out in Stockholm, which was showing savings in the Supply Chain. He also commented on the development of the centre for London Boroughs.

**Action:** Matthew would issue a copy of the Stockholm savings to Dennis for circulation.

- **LaMiLO:** An update on this project is on their website. It was suggested that Nigel Symonds (London Borough of Camden) may be prepared to speak about this project at a future meeting.

**Action:** Dennis to arrange.

**Item 5**  
**TfL Update on Freight Development/Issues**

Terri Collett and Martin Rose gave an update from TfL on current work/projects:

The Central Sub-regional Transport Plan and poster will be available mid summer and provides a strategic summary of the TfL and borough LIP and major schemes within the central sub-region.

**ULEZ**

TfL provided a ULEZ update:
• TfL will be undertaking additional analysis to help shape the ULEZ policy option and to understand behavioural responses to different options
• Further work is being undertaken to understand the wider health benefits of the proposals alongside other societal impacts
• An integrated impact assessment will be undertaken later this year prior to a public consultation on a single option
• Subject to the feasibility requirements, we are hoping to have a scheme order in place by 2015 – giving users five years notice before 2020

Industry members of CLFQP at the meeting felt that it would be preferable to have a notice period longer than five years (in order to accommodate vehicle replacement cycles) and more detail was requested including on how compliance with the ULEZ will be enforced.

TfL will arrange for a ULEZ update at the next CLFQP meeting.

Out-of-hours:
The out-of-hours consortium has now met three times and the first nine stores to take part in trials have been identified. Building on the success of the Quiet Deliveries Demonstration Scheme (QDDS) and the London 2012 Olympic Games trails, the consortium’s long-term aim is to develop a robust process to make deliveries outside of peak hours Business as Usual.

A successful tender for the three technical trials has led to the appointment of a consultant to lead the delivery of the trials. The trials will focus on long-term behaviour change, the best way to overcome planning restrictions, and quiet vehicle technology trials.

‘Match-making’ service – TfL will facilitate the discussions between businesses and local authorities seeking to undertake out-of-hours deliveries – FQP members and their contacts encouraged to make use of service if they wish.

Kerbside / High Street loading survey, to establish how to best encourage safe and legal parking and loading:
• Pilot survey : Stratford High Street
• Building on the FERS / ‘Street Audit freight mode’ tools a survey methodology will be developed to identify the volume of freight activity taking place in a street and consider the suitability of the street design to accommodate the observed activity.
• Perception survey (market research) will seek to assess businesses’ views of deliveries and identify the demands that determine the time of the delivery.

Long-term Strategy
Following Mayor’s Roads Task Force report, a freight ‘Direction of Travel’ document is in development, for release late summer 2014.
This will inform the development of the Freight Strategy for London, due for completion summer 2015 and pose questions to industry and other stakeholders to help develop policy further and target resources. Input to the Strategy will be sought from stakeholders this Autumn.

**Tour de France**
Le Tour returns to London on Monday 7th July. It’s worth noting that unlike the Grand Depart of 2007, this is a working weekday. Further information over the race route and how businesses can prepare – in order to avoid or mitigate the impacts of the event – can be found online at https://www.tfl.gov.uk/campaign/tour-de-france-2014
For more specific information, please contact David Silvey in the Freight and Fleet team: davidsilvey@tube.tfl.gov.uk or 020 3054 3092

**FORS**
A competitive tender for FORS has been issued. TfL will maintain a key interest and control, but is moving to a more strategic level of FORS management, recognising that the scheme and the standards are now being applied at a national level. For more information please contact: freight@tfl.gov.uk

**Safer Lorry Scheme**
Discussions on-going with DfT and London Councils over scheme’s development.

**Consolidation**
London Boroughs Consolidation Centre in Enfield, serving Camden, Enfield and Waltham Forest has proven to be successful so far. Further data will become available in coming months and should be an interesting example for all to be aware of.

**Item 7**
**CLFQP Kerbside Survey Project (Kentish Town Road)**
Dennis updated progress with this project, reminding the group this project was looking at Kerbside Conflicts using video and questionnaire surveys. The video collection covered 7 working days (24 hour each day). Both the business and pedestrian/cyclist survey have also been completed. The analysis of all of these are underway and an interim meeting takes place on the 30 April.

The completion date is still planned for the end of May/mid June.

**Item 8**
**Westminster City Council: New Parking contact and services to operators**
Unfortunately Kieran Fitsall was unable to attend. Hugh Brennan agreed to hold a separate meeting on this subject at the Borough of Westminster.

**Action:** Dennis to arrange with Hugh Brennan a suitable date.

**Item 9**
**Members update/ any other business**
1. RBKC have asked the CLFQP to circulate details of the “Safer Urban Driving Course”.

2. “Two-way cycling on one way streets” The scheduled walk-around meeting had been delayed.

**Action:** Dennis to arrange the meeting with City of London after the “walk-around” is carried out.

Dennis to circulate the RBKC course

**Item 9**
**Date of next meetings:**
9 July 2014
4 November 2014