Current Freight Issues Group (CFIG) Meeting notes

Date/Time: 10th July 2018  9.45 to 12.50

Venue: Meeting Room M 216
University of Westminster,
35 Marylebone Road
London NW1 5LS

Notes of meeting held on 10th July 2018

Present

Natalie Chapman  FTA (Chair)
Dennis Lynch    CLFQP
Georgia Butler  FTA
Julian Allen    University of Westminster (UoW)
Mo Negm        London Borough of Camden
Costa Kakouratos London Borough of Camden
Antoneta Horbury Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea
Vicky Keeble    Cross River Partnership (CRP)
Jerry Ward      John Lewis Partnership (JLP)
Matthew Bennett West End Partnership Board
Tom Parker      City of London
Denise Beedell  Federation of Small Businesses (FSB)
Sarah Ralphs   TfL
Conor Brady     TfL
Peter Loveday   Westminster City Council
Mick Dearle     Martin Brower
Amanda Zambon  DHL
John Crosk     DHL
Graham Bellman  Travis Perkins
Steve Steel    Emsol
Paul Sewter    CEVA logistics
Andy Wilson    TNT
David Kaner    West End Partnership
Alison Gibson  Northbank BID
Mike Bracy     BLG
Nigel Simmonds WSP
Ian Dimbylow   WSP
Item 1
Natalie Chapman welcomed everyone, introductions were made and those present were reminded of the "competition" statement on the Agenda.

Item 2
Notes of the last meeting (Current Freight Issues Group meeting on 17th April 2018)
Natalie Chapman went briefly through the meeting notes, the notes were then agreed

Outstanding issues from the previous meeting:

West End Project (WEP)
Arrangements are being made for a presentation at our next meeting (9th Oct), and a current update covered in agenda item 7

Loading/unloading regulations across all London Boroughs
To be covered in agenda item 6

Action/information by CRP
1  Project: Charging infrastructure capacity across London

2  LoCity vans working group. Vicky Keeble suggested that a link could be made between CLFQP and the working group

3  Project: Freight TAILS Project
   URBACT link http://urbact.eu/freight-tails
   And on CRP’s website:
   https://crossriverpartnership.org/projects/freight-tails/

Working Group to review the Road Works communications
To be covered in agenda item 6

All other items will be covered under the current agenda

Item 3
Sloane Street scheme (RBKC)
Ian Dimbylow from WSP gave a comprehensive presentation on the planned changes for Sloane Street. These changes are planned with a construction start in 2019.
Ian answered a number of questions; the main issue related to Freight vehicle loading/unloading bay sizes and their location.
Any detailed questions on the scheme should be directed to Ian Dimbylow, with a copy to Antoneta Horbury (ian.Dimbylow@wsp.com).
A copy of the presentation will be on the CLFQP website
Action: Dennis to arrange a copy of the presentation to be placed on the website

Item 4
West End Partnership Deliveries and Servicing Strategy
Vicky Keeble and Alison Gibson gave a detailed presentation on this Strategy. The scheme is not yet fully funded, but the West End Partnership Board has passed the plans/proposals to date. As this is a very large and important project the CLFQP members asked if they could be involved at the earliest opportunity.

A copy of the presentation will be on the CLFQP website
Action: Dennis to arrange a copy of the presentation to be placed on the website and arrange a meeting with Alison Gibson and David Kaner

Item 5
Borough initiatives and issues on Freight (plus Cross River Partnership projects)

City:
Looking at “Park and Load”

Preparing a document to consider where the City will be/look like in 25 years’ time. Expected issue in March 2019 after consultation

Camden:
Changes are in place with the Consolidation warehouse. Details will be available and reported at the next CLFQP meeting in October.

Extra Rapid changing points are being considered.

Increasing their electric vehicle fleet.

Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea:
Their Local Implementation Plan is underway to help deliver the Mayor’s transport strategy.
Action: Dennis to circulate details to all (Actioned)

Westminster:
Working on their “Local Plan” a full presentation will be made at the CLFQP October meeting.

Development is underway on their “Kerbside Strategy”
Extra Rapid changing points are being provided.

**Lambeth:**
Nothing to report.

**CRP:**
The following issue was raised and discussed with the group:
Clean Air and Air Quality
(information: Defra-funded Clean Air Villages project visit here: [https://crossriverpartnership.org/projects/clean-air-villages/](https://crossriverpartnership.org/projects/clean-air-villages/))

**Item 6**
**TfL Projects update**
Sarah Ralphs gave the following update from TfL

Freight Reduction Programme and Funding

All TfL “toolkits” are now on their website

The Freight Plan, this will be available in the autumn.

Still working on the Loading/unloading regulations across all London Boroughs

Road Works: A discussion was held and industry members should contact Sarah Ralphs to be included in the TfL arrangements for regular online communications.

**Action:** Industry members should contact Sarah Ralphs to participate

**Item 7**
**Members update / any other business**

**Costa Kakouratos**
Updated members on the current position with “The West End Project” (WEP)
Progress on site was good, and full details on loading/unloading areas are available on the project website

A detailed update will provided at the CLFQP in October

**Action:** Dennis to arrange for the presentation

**Julian Allen**
These 3 projects were raised.
(Full details are on the attached appendix)
1. New core funding for the Centre for Sustainable Road Freight (CSRF)

2. FTC 2050 - Trial of on-foot portering of parcels in central London

3. FTC 2050 - An Analysis of the Same-Day Delivery Market and Operations in the UK

**Natalie Chapman**
The Mayor has established an EV Infrastructure Taskforce to create a platform for engagement with industry experts and enablers with the aim to create a shared understanding on the expansion of charging infrastructure in London and barriers to implementation.

*Action: Dennis will issue further details when available (Actioned)*

**John Crosk**
Raised a question of access on the Victoria end of the planned “Embankment Diversions”

*Action: Sarah Ralphs agreed to review this*

**Denise Beedell**
The FSB are working on a report covering impacts and issues of the ULEZ on FSB members. The report will be issued and circulated when available.

**Item 7**
**Date of next meeting:**
9th October 2018 (am)