Current Freight Issues Group  
(CFIG) Meeting notes

Date/Time: 23rd July 2019  9.50 to 13:00

Venue: Meeting Room M 322  
University of Westminster,  
35 Marylebone Road  
London NW1 5LS

Notes of meeting held on 23rd July 2019

Present
Tom Parker CoL (Chair)  
Denise Beedell FTA  
Sarah King Federation of Small Businesses (FSB)  
Jacqueline Short London Borough of Camden  
Tom Linton-Smith Cross River Partnership (CRP)  
Jerry Ward John Lewis Partnership  
Matthew Bennett West End Partnership Board  
John Crosk BLG  
Mike Bracey BLG  
Steve Steel Emsol  
David Kaner West End Partnership  
Jolyon Drury CILT  
Linda White RHA  
Rianne Taylor Westminster City Council  
Andy Wilson TNT  
Amanda Zambon DHL  
Brendan Harper Westminster City Council  
Lauren Preteceille TfL  
Andrew Wolckenhaar TfL

Item 1
Tom Parker 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 21st May 2019)
Tom Parker briefly went through the meeting notes, the notes were then agreed

Outstanding issues from the previous meeting:
Item 3 - Dennis to place JLP presentation on CLFQP website (Actioned)

Item 6 - The FSB – ULEZ event was well received with 3 people from TfL and approx. 40 attendees.  
Action: Sarah to send the information link to Dennis for circulation (Sarah has now circulated these after the meeting)

All other items will be covered under the current agenda.

**Item 3 “Oxford Street District” (WCC)  Brendon Harper**

Brendon Harper from Westminster City Council gave a presentation on the WCC’s plans for Oxford Street District. Including:
- Traffic restrictions between midday and 7pm, 7 days a week
- Improved access for loading in the morning – their proposals go against the Mayor’s Freight and Servicing Action Plan, as they are aiming for deliveries in the morning to avoid the peak visitor times in the afternoon.
- Reduced vehicle speeds
- Reduce (micro consolidation, reverse logistics and waste consolidation), Remode (porterage, cargo bikes and ZLE vehicles) and Retime (trial quiet night time deliveries)

Brendon has recently moved from Cross River Partnership to the Oxford Street District Team at WCC.

Brendon answered a number of questions covering: reasons why the previous scheme was shelved, access to pubs and clubs off Oxford Street itself, nature of the night-time delivery trials, use of previous modelling work, residents’ reaction to the new scheme, lessons learned from Tottenham Court Road, bus route reduction and contact of stakeholders, rather than just shop workers/tenants.

The full presentation will be on the CLFQP website and also attached to these Notes
Action: Brendon will forward presentation for circulation to members.

Action: Brendon agreed to forward postcodes for use by carriers.

**Item 4 TfL Projects update  Lauren Preteceille**

(Including feedback from the Freight Forum)

Lauren gave an update to members on the following matters:
- Recent Freight Forum meeting which discussed Safety, ULEZ, Vision Zero, Cyclist enforcement, Consolidation, Rail Freight, Click and Collect and LLCS.
- Freight Advisory Panel key focus will be on working with retailers, Click and Collect, LLCS, Zero Emission Zones, DVS

Members asked questions on emissions, push for rapid charging for freight, customer behaviour change campaign and the cost of operating in London.

**Item 5** Beer Deliveries in London (Planning) Mike Bracey/ John Crosk

Mike and John gave a presentation on manual handling and Delivering across segregated cycleways and referenced the guidance document developed with TfL and FTA. Their presentation covered HSE regulations, trainings, manual handling, general principles, challenges for delivering to historic or non-purpose built premises, equipment required for different types of access, consolidation of public house deliveries and challenges of segregated cycleways.

Members asked questions about engaging with individual councils and London Councils, number of trips into London and proportion of vehicles used over 7.5 tonnes, right first-time deliveries and stem mileage.

**ACTION:** TfL very interested in right first-time information – John to provide information.

**ACTION:** Dennis to include the TfL Kerbside Loading Guidance – 2017 and the principles document with the minutes to CLFQP members

**Item 6** Borough initiatives and issues on Freight Boroughs/ CRP

**WEP** – freight is the key to the West End. Need to reduce re-mode and re-time. Ran a well-received workshop for property owner and agents about changing customer behaviour of property owners and agents. Working on a project on food and beverage in Covent Garden area and agreed to provide postcodes to logistics operators. Also, starting a project on how to influence the planning process.

**Camden** – Will be happy to discuss transport plan in early stages.

**Westminster** – Interested in having information for designing loading areas template – to help designers. Hoping to have a document out to address these issues.

**ACTION:** Westminster agreed to bring draft to next meeting.
**City of London** – The City Plan has been signed off and is now in the delivery phase. The Market consolidation scheme is moving Spitalfields on to one site. Also, CoL has acquired a deep-sea pier, about which they are looking at the implications and how sustainable it will be. A policy paper has been written to get to the phase 2 consolidation scheme and they have 12 signed-off Section 106 agreements. CoL is committed to launch a consolidation scheme not operated by the City – invitation to tender is about to go out. The case for a 15mph speed limit proposal is being made ready to go to the DfT. Hopefully the formal case will be done next year.

**FSB** – Lots of engagement with boroughs and an offer to help circulate logistics information to members. Sarah referenced a framework document they use to engage with all boroughs. Starting work on Mayoral Manifesto. Reported that FSB are working with Sutton, Haringey and Southwark on bids for the ‘Future High Street’ fund – currently at the case study stage.

**ACTION:** Sarah to circulate electronic copy of framework document.

**Camden** – CLSRP – consolidation centre – have seen more businesses come on board. They are undertaking a study to consider introducing Work Place Parking Levy.

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

None.

**Item 8**  
**Future meeting dates**  
29th Oct, 14th Jan  
All