

Central London Freight Quality Partnership



Current Freight Issues Group (CFIG) Meeting notes

Date/Time: 18th February 2020 11.15 to 13.00

Venue: Meeting Room L195
University of Westminster,
35 Marylebone Road
London NW1 5LS

Notes of meeting held on 18th February 2020

Present

Mike Browne	CLFQP/ University of Gothenburg (Chair)
Dennis Lynch	CLFQP
Jacqueline Saunders	London Borough Camden
Jolyon Drury	CILT
Julian Allen	University of Westminster (UoW)
Tom Linton-Smith	Cross River Partnership
Sarah King	Federation of Small Businesses (FSB)
Antoneta Horbury	Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea
Chris Eales	Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea
Carl Quilliam	DHL
Keith Coomber	Martin Brower
Freddie Talberg	EMSOL
Jerry Ward	JLP
John Crosk	BLG
Malcolm Smith	L B Hackney
Tom Parker	City of London
Matthew Bennett	West End Partnership Board
Denise Beedell	FTA
Andy Wilson	TNT
Linda White	RHA
David Kaner	West End Partnership
Andrew Luck	London Councils
Robert Gwyn	Hermes Parcelnet
Sarah Bell	UPS
Lauren Preteceille	TfL
Lucy Hayward-Speight	TfL
Stephanie Bortoli	TfL

Item 1

Mike Browne 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 29th October 2019)

Dennis Lynch briefly went through the meeting notes, the notes were then agreed

Outstanding issues from the previous meeting:

The LLCS meeting arranged and took place directly before this meeting (18th Feb)

All other items will be covered under the current agenda.

Item 3

TfL Projects update (Including: Cargo bikes last mile deliveries, Scrappage Scheme and ULEZ)

The following main subjects were presented and discussed with the group by Lauren Preteceille, Lucy Hayward-Speight, and Stephanie Bortoli:

- a. An updated paper on the “Scrappage Scheme” **(copy attached)**
- b. Cargo Bikes discussion. **Action: TfL will issue a paper shortly**
- c. Further 20 MPH changes A full update next meeting
- d. The next Freight Forum will be after May
- e. TfL are increasing recruitment for “Air Quality” work
- f. Closing of London bridge (Aprox 7 Months)
- g. HGV rest areas (still in progress)

Item 4

Borough initiatives and issues on Freight (plus CrossRiver Partnership projects)

CrossRiver Partnership

CRP are intending to trial kerbside/point of delivery noise monitoring in order to understand effectiveness of remote noise monitoring at identifying delivery disturbances, and therefore if quiet delivery best practice can be encouraged and monitored proactively by boroughs, particularly if out-of-hours deliveries are likely to increase. We are looking for a delivery recipient with a loading

bay or clear point of delivery to participate, along with operators who regularly deliver to that point. The trial would be 8-12 weeks, and needs vehicles to carry tags (fit-and-forget) for the duration to recognise when they are at the delivery point. Some qualitative engagement with the site and an operator at beginning and end of trial would be beneficial.

Preparing some early feasibility work on multi-operator distribution point for final mile on cargo bikes or light electric vehicles. Particularly interested in parcel/post carriers (higher sector potential for mode shift to cargo bike). We want to understand space and operational requirements, value of space and interest in a trial. There is some external funding and resource around the capital costs of set-up.

Our Smart Electric Urban Logistics project, with outputs and lessons around Electric Freight Vehicles up to 7.5T, and overcoming electricity infrastructure constraints, available in factsheet form [online](#).

Our [Clean Air Villages](#) programme has launched London's first [shared electric van](#) for businesses in Brixton ahead of the ULEZ expansion there. Van scrappage and EV trials are continuing to be promoted to small businesses during business engagement.

Please contact Tom at tomlintonsmith@crossriverpartnership.org if interested in participating in any of these.

Kensington & Chelsea

Reminded residents of the expansion of the Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) via the residents' parking permit renewal letter.

Changes are proposed for loading / unloading on King's Road between Smith St and Tyron St with a consultation beginning on 28th February. AH will circulate details via DL. [*Post-meeting note: This proposal has now been withdrawn*]

Camden

Would like to present to the CLFQP progress on the "West End Project"

Action: Dennis to liaise with Jacqueline Saunders

City

There will be major disruption around London Bridge for 7 months (2020) as the bridge will be closed for freight and some other users. Repairs are necessary to improve capacity.

The start date will be late spring. Final program dates will be forwarded when available

Beech Street will be a Zero emissions area from April 2020. This is experimental and will be reviewed.

Item 5

Members update / any other business

David Kaner

Around the Covent Garden area they are reviewing/evaluating, micro distribution, and Carrier lockers.

Julian Allen.

The 'Centre for Sustainable Road Freight' (SRF - a collaboration between Westminster, Cambridge and Heriot-Watt Universities, companies and policy makers in the freight and logistics sector) is currently working on two evidence-based briefing reports: one on hydrogen as a transport fuel, and the other on online shopping and last-mile deliveries. When completed, these briefing documents will be made available via the SRF website at: <http://www.csrf.ac.uk/>

Any organisations wishing to become more involved in SRF activities and interested in potential membership are welcome to contact Julian for further information (allenj@westminster.ac.uk)

John Crosk

Raised the issue of a lower than average take up on Brewery Logistics contract renewals. This may be as a result of the increased difficulties in delivery in London

Item 6

Date of next meetings:

The meeting on the 12th May 2020 has been cancelled due to Covid-19

14th July

6th Oct

19th Jan 2021