

Central London Freight Quality Partnership



Current Freight Issues Group (CFIG) Meeting notes (Online meeting)

Date/Time: 21st April 2021 14.00 to 15.35

Venue: Online Zoom Meeting

Notes of Online meeting held on 21st April 2021.

Present on online meeting

Mike Browne	CLFQP/ University of Gothenburg (Chair)
John Crosk	CLFQP Manager
Dennis Lynch	Guest
Natalie Chapman	Logistics UK
Barry Smith	Westminster City Council
Rianne Taylor	Westminster City Council
Jerry Ward	JLP
Antoneta Horbury	Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea
Matthew Bennett	West End Partnership Board
Linda White	RHA
Andy Neather	TfL
Graham Pask	RHA
Mick Dearle	Martin Brower
David Kaner	West End Partnership
Jolyon Dury	CILT
Amanda Zambon	DHL
Ben Hiles	GRID Smarter Cities
Neil Herron	GRID Smarter Cities
Julian Wrigley	GRID Smarter Cities
Mike Bracey	Brewery Logistics Group
Julian Allen	University of Westminster (UoW)
Laura Jacklin	Cross River Partnership
Alison Gregory	The Northbank
Sue Terpilowski	Image Line
Tom Linton Smith	Islington

As this was an informal meeting these notes only briefly highlight the two presentations made.

Questions were raised during the 2 presentations and answers given, if there are any further points of clarification, please contact me (John Crosk) or the presenters.

Mike Browne welcomed everyone, introductions were made, and the group was reminded of competition law agreement.

John Crosk referred to the minutes of the meeting held on the 24th November 2020 and there were no outstanding issues raised.

Natalie Chapman: Head of Policy Logistics UK South

Presentation 1 Reassessing Deliveries in a post Covid world

Natalie presented to the group highlighting the vital role logistics played during the pandemic and the future considerations that needs to be given to deliveries in ensure kerbside access is given to logistics operators.

The full presentation has been forwarded separately via email.

Neil Herron: Founder and CEO GRID Smarter Cities

Presentation 2 Re-inventing deliveries- The dynamic kerb

Neil presented to the group an alternative solution to kerbside access and controls using a technology-based solution that can interface with enforcement companies' software and provide three kerbside booking options that can be tailored to the needs of the operator and boroughs

The full presentation was forwarded separately via email.

Borough Updates

Westminster Council: Barry Smith & Rianne Taylor

The Freight action plan has advanced, and Barry committed to nominating a person from WCC to present the key aspects of the strategy at the next meeting. They are also working on a pilot scheme with Delivery London Ltd.

Barry Smith announced that after 31 years with WCC that he is retiring. All members of CLFQP wish him well.

The City of London (CoL): John Crosk on behalf of Kieran MacKay

Not much progress has been made reference the kerbside review, however it was confirmed that reducing permitted loading times to 20 mins relates to yellow lines and not loading bays.

Kieran asked if anyone wished to provide feedback to the review team to contact him and he will pass their comments on.

City Side update included that CoL are progressing with the last mile logistics hub in London Wall Car Park, and that they have been undertaking stakeholder engagement. Amazon Logistics are hoping to submit a planning application in the coming weeks, the CoL are hoping to have the hub operational by September 2021.

RBKC: Antoneta Horbury

No new updates

TfL: Dr Andy Neather

No new updates.

Islington: Tom Linton Smith

As part of their Covid plans Low Traffic Neighbourhoods (LTNs) have been installed, but there have not been many actions around freight movements. Tom will send JC a link to Islington's Transport strategy.

Cross River Partnership: Laura Jacklin

CRP released their Urban Logistics Hubs in Central London Study in January 2021 link to be sent to JC.

Sent via email.

CRP have developed a new on-line map tool that shows availability of sites across central London that have potential to be logistics hubs, these locations have been put forward by landowners and local authorities with the aim of increasing last mile deliveries.

A feasibility study with GRID Smarter Cities and 25 partners is being conducted, looking at all types of freight movements using various forms of transport.

AOB/Questions

Jolyn Drury asked if the CLFQP should produce a briefing note for all incoming councillors – no action to be taken at this present time.

Mike Bracey made the point that the CLFQP success has been on the back of full participation of operators and the boroughs, he noted that the boroughs were not all in attendance.

Agreed that over time there had been a good attendance by boroughs and that in the next few weeks all boroughs would be contacted again to confirm that CLFQP have the right contact details.

Amanda Zambon informed the meeting that DHL has produced a sustainability road map and that they aim to increase the electrification of their fleets.

The roadmap includes some ambitious new commitments to achieve net zero for greenhouse gas emissions by 2025.

By 2030, 60% of DHLs delivery vehicles for the last mile are electrically powered and at least one third of fuel requirements in their aviation and line haul are covered by sustainable fuels.

DHL will invest £7 billion in Clean Operations by 2030 to reduce their emissions from what would be 46 million tonnes in 2030 to under 29 million tonnes in that year.

DHL have committed as part of the Science Based Target initiative (SBTi) to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 in line with the Paris Climate Agreement.

Antoneta Horbury asked if future CLFQP meetings would be held virtually.

MB and JC will review the future format.

Dennis Lynch retirement as CLFQP manager

Dennis Lynch, who was in attendance at the meeting, had recently retired as manager of CLFQP a role he had held since 2009. On behalf of CLFQP Mike Browne thanked Dennis for all his hard work over that time and for everything he had done to ensure CLFQP continued to be relevant to the private sector, public authorities, trade associations, partnerships and professional institutes. The experience and insights that Dennis had brought to his role at CLFQP had been a key part in the high level of engagement and interest from all participants. His organisation of the meetings and communication with all those involved in CLFQP was consistently excellent. On behalf of CLFQP Mike wished Dennis all the best for the future.

Mike Browne on behalf of all those present then welcomed John Crosk who has taken on the administrative and management activities associated with CLFQP.

Next meeting: Date to be agreed.