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**Secretariat memorandum**

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Actions taken

**1 Purpose of report**

1.1 To record actions taken by members or officers since the last meeting.

**2 Recommendation**

2.1 None – this report is for information only.

**3 Information**

- 3.1 The Policy Officer Vincent Stops attended several meetings on various matters relating to the work of the committee, including: High Speed One; the Roads Task Force; the London Assembly River Crossings seminar; the latest Superhighway proposals; the sponsors of EU research on railway information; cycle carriage rules; the Cycle Safety Working Group; Professor David Begg's roundtable event on London's Transport Challenges; King's Cross signing and 'Continuing Your Journey' information; traffic demand management at TfL; and the Royal National Institute for the Blind and Living Streets in relation to the project to clear streets of clutter and A-boards.
- 3.2 The Policy Officer Robert Nichols attended several meetings on various matters relating to the work of the committee, including: the Passenger Focus workshop on research; a meeting with Transport for London on London TravelWatch's research on passenger priorities on the Underground; a meeting with TfL, Network Rail and Southeastern about signage at London Bridge; and a meeting with Southern about their plans for Christmas and New Year 2013 in light of Network Rail's extensive closure programme.
- 3.3 The Director, Policy and Investigation, and the Policy Officer Robert Nichols met Kent County Council officers in relation to rail issues in Kent on 17 January.
- 3.4 The Chief Executive and the Policy Officer Vincent Stops met Clare Walters and Stephen Morris of Bus Users UK on 31 January.
- 3.5 The Director, Policy and Investigation, and the Policy Officer Robert Nichols met London Underground on 20 February in relation to the proposed extension of the Northern Line to Battersea.
- 3.6 The Director, Policy and Investigation, and the Policy Officer Robert Nichols met TfL London Rail on 21 February in relation to rail devolution in London.

## **4 Equalities and inclusion implications**

- 4.1 In accordance with London TravelWatch's duties under the Disability Discrimination Act and other legislation, account is taken when responding to consultations on proposals from external bodies of their particular impact (if any) on the needs of people whose access to transport may be restricted by reason of disability or social exclusion.

## **5 Legal powers**

- 5.1 Section 248 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 places upon London TravelWatch (as the London Transport Users Committee) a duty to consider - and where it appears to the Committee to be desirable, to make recommendations with respect to - any matter affecting the functions of the Greater London Authority or Transport for London which relate to transport (other than of freight). Section 252A of the same Act (as amended by Schedule 6 of the Railways Act 2005) places a similar duty upon the Committee to keep under review matters affecting the interests of the public in relation to railway passenger and station services provided wholly or partly within the London railway area, and to make representations about them to such persons as it thinks appropriate.

## **6 Financial implications**

- 6.1 No specific financial implications for London TravelWatch arise from this report.