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# Key activities

### 1 Purpose of report

1.1 To record key activities undertaken by members or officers since the last meeting in respect of operational issues. The activities have been carried out in direct pursuance of the objectives set out in the London TravelWatch business plan.

#### 2 Recommendation

2.1 None – this report is for information only.

#### 3 Information: key activities

- 3.1 The Director, Policy and Investigation, and team attended several meetings and events relating to the work of the Policy committee, including the following:
- 3.2 Meetings with Crossrail to discuss station design and public realm issues on 12 and 13 June 2013.
- 3.3 Meeting with Department for Transport (DfT) to discuss the extension of the Greater Anglia franchise on 17 June 2013.
- Participating in Harrow Council's scrutiny meeting on public transport accessibility on 18 June 2013.
- 3.5 Meeting with Transport for London (TfL) London Rail (Geoff Hobbs) to discuss passenger safeguards in the event of rail devolution on 11 July 2013.
- 3.6 Meeting with TfL London Buses (Peter Bradley and John Barry) to discuss making the bus route planning process more transparent on 15 July 2013.
- 3.7 Meeting with London Underground Victoria Station Upgrade project team to discuss progress with the project and issues arising from the construction process on 17 July 2013.
- 3.8 Attended a seminar at the invitation of TfL on the possible introduction of cashless buses on 17 July 2013.
- 3.9 Meeting with DfT to discuss the extension of the Southeastern franchise on 26 July 2013.

3.10 On 31 July 2013 the Director, Policy and Investigation responded to TfL Buses spring 2013 stage 1 bus service consultation.

#### 4 Other activities

4.1 Due to the summer break, no other activities took place which need reporting to members.

# 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.