

TSDB (08)9th Conclusions

TRANSPORT SCOTLAND DIRECTORS' BOARD MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN BUCHANAN HOUSE, GLASGOW AT 09:00 ON WEDNESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2008

Present: Malcolm Reed (Chair) Chief Executive

Bill Reeve Director of Rail Delivery

Guy Houston Director of F&CS
Ainslie McLaughlin Director of MTRIPS

Frances Duffy Director of Strategy and Investment

Jim Barton Director of TRNMD
Iain Docherty Non- Executive Director
Jacqueline Redmond Non- Executive Director (by

telephone)

In Attendance: Gillian McCole PS/Transport Scotland

Stuart McKay For agenda item 1 only

Agenda Item 1: Edinburgh- Glasgow Improvement Programme (EGIP) presentation

1. Stuart McKay presented this item to the Board. The Board noted that this project was an example of where Transport Scotland has made a difference. The range of projects and outcomes would not have been as diverse or effective without our intervention. The Board also noted that the baseline for the project would be set in October once the EGIP team had received all the GRIP2 reports from consultants. The Board agreed that as Malcolm Reed is the Accountable Officer and Transport Scotland the funder and specifier, it was appropriate for the Board to approve any suggested baseline. To enable them to do so it was agreed that Mary Grant of Firstscotrail and Ron McAuley of Network Rail should be invited to the Board for this discussion. (Action- Bill Reeve to inform PS/TS if this should be discussed at the November or December Board). In addition the Board directed that a lunchtime seminar should be held on this project. (Action – Bill Reeve and Stuart McKay to

discuss with David Swanson).

<u>Agenda Item 2 – Minutes of Previous Meeting, Action Point Tracker and</u>

Matters Arising

2. The minutes of the last meeting were agreed subject to an amendment to

paragraph 8. Revised minutes have been circulated to the Board. The action point

tracker was discussed and an updated version is attached to these minutes for

reference. The Board requested a position paper from Frances Duffy on Climate

Change, focussing on the measurement of projects which have already commenced.

(Action - Frances Duffy to provide a paper for the October 2008 Board

meeting).

Agenda Item 3 - AOB

3. The Board noted the statistics provided on Chief Executive Correspondence

and the percentage of correspondence missing deadlines. Directors agreed to look

into this within their own areas and would discuss at the next Board meeting. CE

correspondence stats will be included in the Board pack as a matter of course. The

Board also agreed that standard letters on eligibility for concessionary fares should

be dealt with as Official Replies. In addition, the Board requested that a standard

factsheet be produced to enclose with such letters.

(Action - Guy Houston to discuss CE procedure for OR's and to ensure

Concessionary Fares Team produce a factsheet).

4. Guy Houston updated the Board on the financial position and implications for

projects after recent discussions with the Cabinet Secretary.

5. The Board noted that the next meeting was on 16-17 October in Stranraer and

requested that a draft agenda be produced for them to consider well in advance.

(Action PS/TS to produce and circulate draft agenda for comments).

PS/Transport Scotland.