

TSDB(07)9th Conclusions

TRANSPORT SCOTLAND DIRECTORS' BOARD MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN BUCHANAN HOUSE, GLASGOW AT 10AM ON WEDNESDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER 2007

Present: Malcolm Reed Chief Executive

Jim Barton Director of TRNMD
Guy Houston Director of F&CS

Frances Duffy Director of Strategy & Investment

Ainslie McLaughlin Director of TR:IPS
Bill Reeve Director of Rail Delivery

In Attendance: Jan Polley Board Facilitator

Lucy Adamson Head of Communications
Jim Berryman PS/Transport Scotland

Apologies

1. Jacqueline Redmond and lain Docherty were unable to attend due to other business commitments.

Agenda Item 1: Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising

2. The minutes of the meeting held on 20 August (TSDB(07)8th Conclusions) were approved.

Matters Arising

- 3. Malcolm Reed has spoken with John Ewing on Road Traffic Orders for Edinburgh Trams, Transport Directorate are ensuring City of Edinburgh Council adopt an appropriate approach.
- 4. Clarification was outstanding on the quorum required for the TS Board.

(Action: Jim Berryman)

- 5. The Edinburgh-Glasgow timetable report is due to be published during week commencing 24 September as is the Ministerial submission on EARL replacement/ E&G Improvements. The report on SPT engagement is outstanding, but will be brought to the next Board meeting where Non-Executive Director input would be valued. Part of the record of discussion under this agenda item is considered exempt from publication at this time and has been redacted.
- 6. The role of Non-Executive Directors in taking forward SSR07 was discussed with a view to enabling them to be more sighted on fast-moving work such as this. The general view that the Board as a whole is the corporate body was agreed, but that flexibility to make day-to-day decisions when required was needed. However, the point was accepted that, for SSR07 the process was one of expedience rather than logic.
- 7. A future board meeting in Aberdeen was agreed as a good idea in principle, but required justification as value for money. Combining this with a briefing and site visit to AWPR was agreed as being of value, integrating additional similar items to the agenda would also help ensure the visit was merited. [**Note:** November's Board meeting is to be immediately followed by a meeting of the Audit Committee in BH].

Agenda Item 2: Executive Board Pack (Paper TSDB(07)23)

- 8. Jim Berryman introduced paper TSDB(07)23, the September Board pack.
- 9. In discussion the following points were made:
 - (a) December's pack should focus on Key Achievements/ a thorough review of Business Plan progress rather than "100 Day Commitments" which will now drop from the pack.

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(b) Paper TSDB(07)25 (STPR): The first work package is running substantially

late, work with Non-Executive Directors and academics continues. The hope is

that by end of October the corridor base-lining study will be published to allow

Ministerial engagement in pre-option sifting. An Interactive Planning Session

will take place on 12 October.

(c) Paper TSDB(07)26 (ORR Engagement): this paper is for discussion at the

Strategy Day. S29,30,33

(d) Some Business Plan targets require redrafting (particularly in Aim 4) and not

all have been fully updated. (Action: Jim Berryman)B.

9.1 **Significant Risks**

The Board considered the refresh of Corporate Part of the record of discussion under

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Agenda Item 3: Transport Scotland Communications Strategy (Papers TSDB(07)27,

<u>28, 29)</u>

10. Lucy Adamson introduced these papers summarising the current position with

key internal and external communications and detailing priorities for 2007/08. The

internal role played by Directors and Team Leaders was emphasised. There is no

formal Stakeholder Plan as yet, only 1 Directorate (F&CS) has held its Stakeholder

Workshop, this was a useful session which helped prioritise stakeholders and identify

where resources needed to be applied.

(Action: Guy Houston to identify communications training requirement)

(Action: All Directors to include communications with personal objectives)

(Action: All Directorates to hold Stakeholder Workshops as a priority)

Agenda Item 4: Any Other Business

11. There was no other business.

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