

SCOTFLAG LAST MILE CONNECTIONS SUB-GROUP MEETING

Tuesday 17 January 2017, Victoria Quay

Note of meeting

Present:

Richard Ballantyne, BPA - Chair
Yvonne Edmond, TS
David Spaven, RFG
Pam Stott, TS
Martin Reid, RHA

Apologies

Phil Greening, HWU
Steven Herriot, SCOTS
Peter Clark, SWA
Chris MacRae, FTA

Welcome and Review of Actions from 8 September 2016 meeting

1. Richard Ballantyne welcomed all to the meeting.
2. Actions from 8 September 2016 meeting:

Action 6: Chris MacRae to circulate information about the 'Priority Freight Routes' approach being adopted elsewhere in UK.

Status: Complete – Chris MacRae had circulated email from FTA providing some information about 'Priority Freight Routes'. Further action identified to see if more background on policy is available from Department for Transport contacts (Pam Stott).

Action 7: All members to forward links and information about any maps (freight and others) to Pam Stott, to help in development of a key freight site / route map.

Status: No links to maps had been received, however Pam Stott demonstrated various layers available (aimed at freight) on the Traffic Scotland website.

Hard copies of maps were shared with attendees for key freight sites identified by BPA in its evidence provided to the Freight Inquiry. (These are not shared with this note, as they are very data-heavy so unsuitable for emailing.)

Action 8: Richard Ballantyne to circulate list of infrastructure improvements BPA provided to ICI Committee Freight Inquiry.

Status: Complete

Action 9: Pam Stott to collate information gathered on key freight sites into a single list, and circulate in advance of next meeting.

Status: Open

Discussion

3. The group discussed whether maps should be included as part of the report from the Sub Group to ScotFLAG. Main points discussed:
 - Any maps produced would be at risk of dating quickly.
 - There are a number of maps already available such as Marine Map and Traffic Scotland (freight layers), and further map expected to be published soon (Rail) – so cost/benefit doubts raised.
 - Location-specific maps circulated demonstrated that level of information already available is reasonable for current purposes.
 - On basis of discussion, general agreement that maps may not be integral element of final report. (Although maps can be produced for illustration purposes if required.)
4. Discussion then progressed to consider next steps. The priority list produced by the Planning Sub Group was circulated, along with the BPA list provided to the Freight Inquiry for information.
5. Richard Ballantyne proposed that the initial report to ScotFLAG should be simple, and focussed on key priorities identified by group members.
6. To aid production, he proposed circulating a proforma for members to complete covering their top [3 to 5] priorities. These will then be collated and provide basis for final report to ScotFLAG.

Actions agreed

Action 10: Pam Stott to contact DfT to establish information available about 'Freight Priority Routes'.

Action 11: Richard Ballantyne to develop proforma and circulate to Sub Group members by [*date?*].

Action 12: Pam Stott to collate proformas

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