

TRANSPORT BOARD

25h October 2019

TRANSPORT FOR THE NORTH UPDATE

Purpose of Report

This item will be a verbal update of key points from the Transport for the North (TfN) Board on 12th September 2019. The appendices provide Minutes of recent Transport for North Board meetings to provide SCR Transport Board members with an overview of recent discussions and decisions.

Freedom of Information

Freedom of Information and Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972

'The paper will be available under the Combined Authority Publication Scheme'

Recommendations

Board members are asked to:

- Note the verbal update on the work of Transport for the North and minutes of recent Board meetings, and comment where there are issues of particular interest.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Mayor Dan Jarvis and Peter Kennan, LEP representative, will provide a verbal update on the most recent Transport for the North (TfN) Board meeting which took place on 12th September 2019. Minutes of previous meetings are appended to this report. TfN Board meetings are now webcast live and available to view on their website.

2. Proposal and justification

- 2.1 Transport for the North is a partnership which brings together the North's 20 local transport authorities and business leaders together with Network Rail, Highways England, and HS2 Ltd working with central government. The TfN Board is chaired by John Cridland and comprises representatives from the public and private sector, Rail North authorities from outside the TfN area and delivery partners. Mayor Dan Jarvis represents the SCR and Peter Kennan represents the SCR LEP.

The TfN Board met on 12th September. Agenda items at the meeting were the TransPennine Route Upgrade, Northern Powerhouse Rail update, HS2 review, Corporate Planning and Governance. A verbal update will be provided on these.

The minutes of recent TfN Board meetings are appended for information. Partnership working with TfN is crucial to achieving our transport objectives as set out in the SCR Transport Strategy.

SCR Transport Board members might wish to receive specific reports on TfN work programmes such as Northern Powerhouse rail, Freight and logistics, Strategic Rail and Strategic Development Corridors.

3. Consideration of alternative approaches

- 3.1** Board members are invited to comment and advise how they would prefer to receive updates on the work of Transport for the North. Representatives of Transport for the North could for example be invited to the Transport Board to report on their work on an occasional basis.

4. Implications

4.1 Financial

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

4.2 Legal

There are no legal implications arising from this report.

4.3 Risk Management

There are no risk management implications arising from this report.

4.4 Equality, Diversity and Social Inclusion

There are no equality, diversity and social inclusion implications arising from this report.

5. Communications

- 5.1** N/A

6. Appendices/Annexes

- 6.1** 14.i Wednesday 31 July 2019 – TfN Board Minutes
14.ii Thursday 20 June 2019 – TfN Board Minutes
14.iii Thursday 7 February 2019 – TfN Board Minutes
14.iv Thursday 6 December 2018 – TfN Board Minutes

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Other sources and references: