

Mayor’s London Infrastructure Group Minutes

6th October 2022, 10 – 11.30am

The Museum of London, 150 London Wall, Barbican, London EC2Y 5HN

Attendees

James Harrison, Cadent Gas
 Graeme Oxby, Community Fibre
 Charlotte Wood, Environment Agency
 Chris King, HS2
 John Loveday, Infrastructure & Projects Authority
 Chris Perkins, Network Rail
 Mark Wild, SGN
 Sarah Bentley, Thames Water
 Basil Scarsella, UKPN

Delegates

James Fredrickson, Hyperoptic
 Bob Alley, National Grid
 David Clarkson, Ofcom
 Akshay Kaul, Ofgem
 Lucy Webster, Tideway
 Glynn Barton, TfL
 Mark Askew, SSEN
 Barbara Nash, Virgin Media

Apologies

Stuart Ledger, Affinity Water
 Dana Tobak, Hyperoptic
 Cllr Claire Holland, London Councils
 Fiona Fletcher-Smith, L&Q
 Lawrence Summers, Morrisons Water Service
 Alice Delahunty, National Grid
 James Heath, National Infrastructure Commission
 Dame Melanie Dawes, Ofcom
 Jonathan Brearley, Ofgem
 David Black, Ofwat
 Kim Mears, Openreach
 Chris Burchell, SSEN
 Roger Bailey, Tideway
 Andy Byford, TfL
 Gillian O’Boyle, Virgin Media

Chair: Jules Pipe (Deputy Mayor for Planning, Regeneration and Skills)

Meeting format

In-person at the Museum of London. Observers from LIG organisations, Lane Rental Governance Committee and GLA staff present via Microsoft Teams.

Item	Minutes	Actions
Welcome and introductions	<p>Deputy Mayor Jules Pipe welcomed the group and extended a particular welcome to new members: Mark Wild (CEO, SGN)</p> <p>The focus of the meeting set out: i) proposals to transition the Infrastructure Coordination Service (ICS) from a pilot into an ongoing feature of London’s infrastructure sector, ii) links between the ICS and TfL’s Network Operating Strategy, and iii) progress to achieve greater Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion in our sectors.</p>	

Infrastructure Co-ordination Service – update	Molly Strauss (GLA Head of Infrastructure) presented an overview of positive activity across the ICS’s three service lines, with a special focus on the quantitative benefits achieved by the Streets Service.	
Future of the ICS – proposed plans	Molly presented proposals for the future of the Infrastructure Coordination Service after June ’23, including: the funding plan with £2m annual core funding proposed from the Lane Rental Governance Committee to cover staff costs and other sources of income to cover programme costs; high-level principles for the service offer across Streets, Planning and Development; and the structure (remaining within the GLA).	
TfL’s Network Operating Strategy	Paul Matthews, TfL Network Operating Strategy Programme Lead & Coordination Manager, introduced TfL’s Network Operating Strategy (NOS), focusing on links between the NOS and ICS. The NOS is looking to extend TfL’s best practices for managing the road network to boroughs to improve bus journey times, in part. Paul expressed support for collaboration and commitment to progressing work alongside the ICS.	
LIG member discussion on the Future of ICS and member co-ordination priorities	<p>Jules welcomed discussion and comments from LIG members on the Future of the ICS proposal, as well as the key priorities and challenges around coordination.</p> <p>LIG members shared their appreciation of the ICS’s work to date and congratulated the team for its role in convening industry to improve collaboration in the sector. Members expressed full support for the continuation and future scale up of the ICS, and endorsed the funding, service offer, and structure proposed by the GLA.</p> <p>Around coordination more broadly, LIG members posed challenges and suggestions, including for example the need to focus on climate adaptation and Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDs), among other comments.</p>	<p>GLA: To progress with the presented proposals for the future of the Infrastructure Coordination Service, including submitting a formal application to the Lane Rental Governance Committee in early 2023.</p> <p>All: Continue working with the GLA through the Infrastructure Coordination Service.</p>
LIG Equality, Diversity and Inclusion update	Amanprit Arnold (GLA Senior Infrastructure Policy Officer) provided an update on progress being made on delivering the LIG’s diversity and inclusion pledges, including the launch of the Building Future London primary school outreach and cross-sector reciprocal mentoring pilot programmes. Member organisations were thanked for their involvement.	<p>All: Request for LIG members to continue to partner with the GLA on EDI commitments.</p> <p>GLA: To conduct a survey with LIG member organisations to understand existing challenges</p>

	LIG members discussed the importance of EDI data and tracking progress towards a more diverse workforce in the sector. GLA queried whether regulators have a role in encouraging more visible EDI workforce data to enable benchmarking and drive further change in the sector.	around collecting EDI data (Pledge 4)
AOB	The Environment Agency reminded LIG members that the Thames Estuary 2100 consultation is open and welcomed responses.	
Close	<p>The next LIG meeting will be Spring 2023, in approximately 6 months' time. GLA will work with LIG members' teams to find a suitable time and a diary invite will go out shortly.</p> <p>Jules thanked the room for the resounding support and positive feedback from LIG members to progress plans on the future of the ICS; and reiterated commitment to continue working closely with LIG members to bring the proposal to reality.</p>	