

THAMES AND LONDON WATERWAYS FORUM PASSENGER TRANSPORT WORKING GROUP TERMS OF REFERENCE

Context

1. The Mayor of London has set up the Thames and London Waterways Forum to advise him on and address strategic waterway issues in London. The Forum has brought together the London Waterways Commission and the River Concordat.
2. The Passenger Transport Working Group is one of three voluntary working groups which reports directly to the Steering Group of the Thames and London Waterways Forum. Its purpose is to address the delivery of passenger service related priorities set out in the Mayor's Transport Strategy, London Plan, London Environment Strategy and the PLA Thames Vision 2035.

Remit

3. The working group will
 - seek to cover all key passenger related issues, including promotion and facilitation of the river; heritage, tourism and culture; enabling growth and strategic safety
 - explore funding opportunities for the river (for passenger related services and infrastructure)

Responsibilities

4. The working group will
 - co-ordinate all passenger transport activities to advise the Steering Group (members will draw on but not represent their personal perspective)
 - provide updates on progress and deliver reports commissioned by the Steering Group
 - co-ordinate and agree documents for sign-off by the Steering Group (including key recommendations as appropriate)
 - include relevant authorities and bodies to support recommendations for the Forum

Working arrangements

5. The working group meets up to four times a year. Meetings are not held in public. Meeting agendas will be circulated at least one week in advance of each meeting. A brief note will be circulated after meetings and published on the GLA's website: <https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/transport/thames-and-london-waterways-forum>.
6. Annex A set out current priorities and Annex B the group's membership. The GLA, TfL and the PLA will regularly/jointly review these in agreement with the Steering Group.

Annex A

Current Priorities

The first task will be the groups endorsement of a **London Pier Strategy** which is in line with the commitments of the Mayor's Transport Strategy and PLA Thames Vision. The working group will also prioritise a number of key themes as follows:

- 1. Development of piers** – this will look strategically at the current use of existing piers and potential siting of future piers for the next 10-20 years
- 2. Promoting and facilitating the river** – this will cover innovation to increase demand and use of river services (for commuting, leisure and tourism)
- 3. Accessibility** – this will focus on how we can improve access to the river and river services for all users
- 4. Strategic safety** – this will focus on achieving high levels of safety whilst demand for river services increases

Annex B

Membership

The Working Group includes representatives from the organisations listed below. Other organisations may be invited to attend specific meetings as and when required. The GLA, TfL and the PLA will regularly/jointly review membership in agreement with the Steering Group.

TfL/GLA will circulate agreed items to discuss at future meetings and invite group members to register, so that participation for each meeting can be managed. The working group will be chaired by a member of the TfL River Services.

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