



Minutes of Board Meeting

Held on Friday 27 March 2015

At 10.30am in the NTA Offices

Present: Mr John Fitzgerald (Chairperson), Ms Anne Graham (Chief Executive), Mr Hugh Creegan (Deputy Chief Executive), Mr Owen Keegan (CEO, Dublin City Council), Dr Berna Grist, Ms Linda Saunders.

Apologies: None.

Staff in attendance: Mr Philip L'Estrange, Mr David King (Item 5), Mr Frank McCabe (Item 6), Ms Jackie Mullen (Minutes).

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1. Minutes of previous meeting

The draft minutes of the meeting held on 27 February 2015 were agreed without amendment.

2. CEO Report

The Chief Executive updated the Board on developments since the last meeting and responded to issues raised by members. The matters discussed included

- LRC Bus Market Process is ongoing
- Bus Eireann removal of commercial services from rural towns, NTA looking at replacements for some of the services
- New National Capital Investment Plan 2016 -2020 (or 2022)
- Coca-Cola Zero Bikes launch in Cork and Leap card in Limerick, Smarter Travel awards
- Transport for Ireland logo – commissioned a designer to look at Transport for Ireland brand
- Redesigned app for RTPI to be released next week
- St. Patrick's Day festival transport map and event map for *Road to the Rising*
- Public Transport Bill still being drafted at present
- Staffing – Mr. Tim Gaston is the successful applicant for the Director of Public Transport Services position

3. Finance Report

Mr L'Estrange outlined the main features of the Draft Financial Statements for March 2015. The figures indicate a good overall performance in the year to date.

4. North Dublin Study Update

Mr Creegan gave a presentation on the Fingal/North Dublin Transport Study which is being carried out to identify optimum medium/long term public transport solutions in the area. 25 public transport schemes were proposed initially for evaluation. 6 of these were shortlisted for further design.

2 Heavy Rail

2 Light Rail

1 BRT

1 Combination of different transport modes

The assessment of the options is still ongoing. The report will take another 3 weeks to conclude. It will be sent to the Minister for consideration.

5. DART Underground Business Case Update

Mr David King gave a presentation on the DART underground business case. There is a reasonably strong economic case for both the DART expansion programme and the DART underground project. Further demand analysis and scheme appraisal are currently underway.

6. Canal Cordon Count 2014

Mr. Frank McCabe gave a presentation on the main findings of the canal cordon count 2014. It was suggested that the results be presented as sustainable modes of transport vs other modes. It was also suggested that vans be recorded as a separate category. Some concerns were raised about the poor performance of Rail and it was suggested that some market research be carried out on DART usage.

7. Any other business

Next Meeting: Friday 17th April @ 10.30am in the NTA Offices.

Signed: _____
John Fitzgerald, Chairperson

Dated: _____