

MINUTES OF tie BOARD MEETING Brunel Suite, Citypoint, Edinburgh

15th October 2007

In Attendance: Directors:

Willie Gallagher (Chair tie Board)

Brian Cox Kenneth Hogg **Neil Scales**

Cllr Ricky Henderson Cllr Allan Jackson Cllr Phil Wheeler

Cllr Gordon MacKenzie

Apologies: Bill Campbell

> Donald McGougan Graeme Bissett **Barry Cross** Peter Strachan James Stewart

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WG

KH NS RH AJ

PW **GMcK**

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<u>Item</u> <u>Action by</u>

OVERVIEW OF THE AGENDA

WG provided a high-level overview of the agenda for the meeting.

2. OGC REVIEW - FEEDBACK

SC presented the results from the OGC review, highlighting the positive feedback received.

The boards noted that the tram Business Case and the TEL Business Plan were prepared on the basis that concessionary fares would apply equally to tram and bus, as instructed by TS, and that the matter of concessionary fares is a legislative issue which cannot easily be withdrawn. KH confirmed that most English light rail schemes included concessionary fares.

PROCUREMENT

MC/GG presented the progress made in procuring the Infraco Preferred Bidder. The boards were advised that a selection had been made and that the respective bidders would be advised of this selection early in the w/c 22nd October, subject to finalisation of a number of contractual issues and signing of the draft deals by 19th October.

The boards recognised the importance of the trackform proposal from the selected bidder. It was noted that **tie** had chosen the more proven, conservative proposal to minimise the risk of future track issues. The boards welcomed the mix of technical conservatism and commercial innovation evident in the negotiated bids and the Preferred Bidder recommendation.

4. FBCv1

The key conclusions of the FBCv1 in terms of capital costs, programme, risk and affordability.

Boards therefore agreed to endorse the recommendations and conclusions of the FBCv1.

5. GOVERNANCE

The boards noted the update on governance.

6. KEY ELEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAMME

CMcL presented the programme for the next few weeks which was accepted by the boards.



ENDORSEMENTS

The TPB confirmed its endorsement of the:

- Recommendation of the preferred Infraco bidder; and
- Content and conclusions of the FBCv1.

The tie Board confirmed its endorsement of the:

- Recommendation of the preferred Infraco bidder; and
- Content and conclusions of the FBCv1.

The **tie** Board noted that a final update of the FBC will be required prior to Contract Award.

The **tie** Board confirmed it is prepared to enter into the recommended contract for Infraco and Tramco subject to finalisation of the FBC and funding agreements.

Signed and approved on behalf of the Board of tie limited by:
Willie Gallagher (Chairman)
Date

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