

Date: 26 January 2022

Item: Project Representative Report

This paper will be considered in public

1 Summary

- 1.1 This paper provides an update on the periodic reports from the Project Representative (P-Rep) on Crossrail for Periods 8 and 9. The P-Rep report for Period 9 has been received but there has not been enough time since its receipt and the publication of this paper for the report to be considered and a management response agreed. As provided for under section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Chair has agreed to the late submission of the Period 9 report and management response to enable Members to consider the most up to date information. The exempt appendix will be sent to Members ahead of the meeting and a redacted copy will also be published.
- 1.2 A paper is included on the Part 2 agenda which contains supplementary information that is exempt from publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 in that it contains information relating to the business affairs of TfL. Any discussion of that exempt information must take place after the press and public have been excluded from this meeting.

2 Recommendation

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to note the report and the supplementary paper on Part 2 of the agenda.**

3 Project Representative

- 3.1 The P-Rep is in place to provide the Sponsors, TfL and the Department for Transport, with oversight of project delivery, advise and raise points of challenge to the Sponsors and scrutinise progress.
- 3.2 In line with the commitments made by the Mayor for greater transparency of the Crossrail project, the most recent P-Rep reports are included as part of the regular update to the Committee and are available on our website¹.
- 3.3 As with all the P-Rep reports, it has been necessary to make some redactions to the reports prior to publication to protect commercially sensitive material. We have sought to keep such redactions to a minimum. Unredacted versions of the P-Rep reports have been included in the paper on Part 2 of the agenda.

¹ <https://tfl.gov.uk/corporate/publications-and-reports/crossrail-project-updates>

- 3.4 In the Period 8 report (16 October 2021 to 12 November 2021), the P-Rep highlighted the following issues for particular Sponsor attention:
- (a) the Elizabeth Line is not in a safety-assured position for full Trial Operations, and there is limited time during the second phase of Trial Operations for securing authority for entry into Passenger Service;
 - (b) railway reliability growth relies heavily upon the success of critical rail system software upgrades, and scope for operational or schedule mitigation to meet target dates is limited;
 - (c) finalisation of Canary Wharf station completion scope remains challenging, and full station availability to support earliest Stage 3 Passenger Service opening is uncertain; and
 - (d) the start dates for Passenger Service and Stages 5B (direct services from Reading, Heathrow and Shenfield connected with the central section) and 5C (full end to end services) are critically linked by reliability growth, and several technical issues remain beyond Stage 3 for resolution.
- 3.5 The P-Rep observations are shared with Crossrail and are discussed in detail by Crossrail, P-Rep and the Commissioner at the regular meetings of the Elizabeth Line Delivery Group. Crossrail also produces a written response to the P-Rep report that is included with the P-Rep reports on our website (with an unredacted version being included in the paper on Part 2 of the agenda).

List of Appendices:

Exempt supplemental information is contained in a paper on Part 2 of the agenda

List of Background Papers:

None

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