Board



Date: 8 June 2022

Item: Delivering the Mayor's Transport Strategy 2021/22

Annual Update

This paper will be considered in public

1 Summary

- 1.1 This is the fifth annual progress report summarising delivery of the Mayor's Transport Strategy (MTS) and the relevant elements of the London Environment Strategy.
- 1.2 The key issues for the Board to note are:
 - (a) the progress against the desired outcomes of the Mayor's Transport Strategy (MTS);
 - (b) that a cohesive, strengthened approach to the MTS is required to enable TfL to protect the health of Londoners, to prevent a long-term car-led recovery, and respond to the climate emergency;
 - (c) that TfL continues to successfully work with the Government and London boroughs to improve levels of active travel, reduce road danger, and better public transport to encourage new homes and jobs.; and
 - (d) that securing stable long-term funding for TfL is key to unlocking the full benefits of the MTS vision.

2 Recommendation

2.1 The Board is asked to note the paper.

3 Key Points

- 3.1 The coronavirus pandemic had an unprecedented impact on how people travelled within London and highlighted the critical role that transport plays in supporting Londoner's' health and enabling vital travel.
- 3.2 The report first sets out the impact the pandemic, including the surge of the Omicron variant, had on travel trends and the impact that travel restrictions had on our operations. It provides an early view on emerging post-pandemic behaviour, including recent data highlighting the risk of a car-led recovery. It notes how we need to encourage mode shift in the short- and medium-term to prioritise our role in supporting public health and reducing the risks associated with coronavirus and other illnesses.

- 3.3 The second part of the report sets out our progress against the three key themes of the MTS: Healthy Streets; A Good Public Transport Experience; and Good Growth. Data from the new MTS Tracker is used throughout to illustrate the pace of progress being made to deliver key MTS outcomes and illustrates that in many policy areas the direction of travel set out by the MTS requires an increased pace of delivery.
- 3.4 On Healthy Streets, the report describes how our continued focus on Healthy Streets, as shown by progress made during the pandemic, will ensure that investment in London's roads delivers an inclusive recovery and enables Londoners to travel by active modes.
- 3.5 It underlines how we are improving public transport experience by focussing on safety and security, customer service and accessibility, improved journey times and connectivity to ensure our public transport network fulfils its pivotal role in enabling mode shift away from the car.
- 3.6 The report provides examples of major new and improved public transport capacity and connectivity. It shows that these projects, combined with Healthy Streets, are critical to achieving Good Growth and delivering the ambitious new homes target set out in the London Plan.
- 3.7 The concluding section of the report identifies three key areas of focus that are needed in future for us and the London boroughs to make progress at pace against MTS outcomes and achieve a sustainable, green and healthy future. Firstly, we need to reduce car use. Secondly, we need to make our transport system safer, particularly for vulnerable road users. Finally, we need stable and sufficient government investment in transport.

List of appendices to this report:

Appendix 1 – Delivering the Mayor's Transport Strategy 2021/22 (June 2022)

List of Background Papers:

None

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