

Date: 1 February 2023

Item: Report of the Meeting of the Elizabeth Line Committee held on 24 January 2023

This paper will be considered in public

1 Summary

- 1.1 This paper provides a summary of the items considered by the Elizabeth Line Committee at its meeting on 24 January 2023 (the date that the papers for this meeting of the Board are published).

2 Recommendation

- 2.1 **The Board is asked to note the report.**

3 Committee Agenda and Summary

- 3.1 The papers for the meeting of the Committee held on 24 January 2023 were published on 16 January 2023 and are available on the [TfL website](#) with a link to the video recording of the meeting on [TfL's YouTube channel](#).
- 3.2 The main matters considered by the Committee were:
- (a) Safety Update;
 - (b) Elizabeth Line Operations and Programme Completion Update;
 - (c) Finance and Risk Update; and
 - (d) Elizabeth Line Programme Assurance Update.
- 3.3 A summary of the items considered are provided below. The more detailed minutes of the meeting will be published ahead of the next meeting of the Committee. Members agreed that the meeting scheduled for 23 March 2023 would be an informal briefing and the July 2023 meeting would be the final meeting of the Committee.

4 Issues Discussed

Safety Update

- 4.1 The Committee was asked to note the update on safety on the Crossrail

project for Periods 8 and 9 of 2022/23 (16 October to 10 December 2022).

- 4.2 Safety key performance indicators remain better than target with no major RIDDOR incidences (Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences). Accident Frequency Rates are at an all-time low.

Elizabeth Line Operations and Programme Completion Update

- 4.3 The Committee was asked to note the update on performance and status of the Crossrail project, which is in the final phase, known as Stage 5c, to be delivered by the end of May 2023.
- 4.4 At this point, the line will move to a peak service frequency of 24 trains per hour (tph) in the central section – up from the current 22 tph. This increase will be facilitated by delivery of the auto reverse functionality and will take place in line with the National Rail timetable change scheduled for 21 May 2023.

Finance and Risk Update

- 4.5 The Committee was asked to note the update on financial performance at Period 9 2022/23 and on risk management progress.
- 4.6 In the year to date (YTD) to Period 9, passenger journeys for the Elizabeth line has exceeded budget by 32 million. Fares income was, therefore, £49m above budget as a consequence.
- 4.7 YTD, direct operating costs were £14m lower than budget, and the Net Operating Deficit for the Elizabeth line was £123m, £65m favourable to budget. Elizabeth line capital expenditure was £8m lower than budget for the YTD.

Elizabeth Line Programme Assurance Update

- 4.8 The Committee was asked to note progress with programme assurance activity across the Elizabeth line Three Lines of Defence Integrated Assurance Framework.
- 4.9 In general, the overall assurance framework for Elizabeth line continues to operate effectively.

List of appendices to this report:

None

List of Background Papers:

Papers submitted to the Elizabeth Line Committee on 24 January 2023

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