Audit and Assurance Committee

Date: 19 June 2013



Item 16: Update: Strategic Risk Management Q4 2012/13

This paper will be considered in public

1 Summary

1.1 The purpose of this paper is to update the Committee on the status of TfL's Non Project Strategic Risks (SRR) and proposed mitigations at Q4 2012/13.

2 Recommendation

2.1 The Committee is asked to note this paper and the related paper on Part 2 of the agenda.

3 TfL Non Project Strategic Risk Register at Q4 2012/13

3.1 The SRR included in Appendix 1, identifies TfL's key strategic risks and mitigations to minimise the potential impact to the business. It is aligned to the Four Pillars of Value, Delivery, Customers and People and, at Business Area level, to the Mayor's Transport Strategy. The TfL SRR identifies the risk the outcomes outlined in the TfL Business Plan, Budget and Scorecard.

The Strategic risk register trend changes in this quarter are as follows:

- 3.2 **SRR 5: Disruption to Quality of Service.** This risk trend has improved from last quarter following updated mitigations on the contributory risks from Rail and Underground and Surface Transport.
- 3.3 Rail and Underground has introduced an Access Implementation Plan which will improve the efficiency and reliability of access utilisation and improve the quality of how access to the operational network is managed.
- 3.4 Surface Transport has improved the risks to disruption to service owing to competing priorities. This is a result of the scale and scope of the Cycle Super Highways programme being established following the publication of the Mayor's cycling vision.
- 3.5 **SRR12: Environmental Impact of Delivering a Transport Service.** The current status of this risk remains high. The Target has been changed, to medium.
- 3.6 A two-stage plan has been implemented to reduce NOx emission from bus fleet by more than 20 per cent or 1,000 tonnes a year. The first stage of the plan will retrofit 900 older buses with NOx abatement technology. The second stage will bring forward the replacement of older buses with new ultra low emission Euro 6 engine.

4 Next steps

4.1 In Q2 2013/14, the ongoing process of refreshing the SRR in light of emerging developments that affect TfL's strategic objectives will include incorporating any changes that arise from the annual strategic business planning process.

List of appendices:

Appendix 1 - Strategic Risk Register
A paper on Part 2 of the agenda contains exempt supplemental information.

List of Background Papers:

None

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TfL Strategic Risk Register Q4 2013

Value for Money

1. Maintaining a long term strategic, balanced Plan within the constraints of available resources

TfL undertakes a Business Plan each year, prioritising spend to ensure a long term strategic balanced plan. There is a risk in later years that available resources may not cover all required activities. This may be due to:

- revenue reductions
- secondary revenue shortfall
- market conditions that limit the financial viability of property development opportunities over station assets (Crossrail)
- material shortfall in delivering the savings and efficiencies programme
- disruption to financial markets impacting TfL's ability to borrow
- Counterparty insolvency
- Grant reduction.

Current	Mitigating Actions		Target	Trend
	Cost control measures in place include the quarterly forecast and review process. This review will ensure the Business Plan remains balanced over the long term and take corrective action if necessary.	Ongoing		
	Periodic budget monitoring to review progress against secondary revenue target to act as an early warning indicator. Quarterly reviews held in line with the normal accounting cycle to monitor progress against targets.	Ongoing		
	Maintain cash balance via cash flow forecasting and daily checks on TfL's cash position by the Treasury team in the event market conditions prevent borrowing.	Ongoing		
н	Annual review of the expected outturn of property proceeds is undertaken at the end of each year.	Ongoing	М	←→
	Effective scrutiny and challenge to savings delivery through greater analysis and challenge via existing BAU periodic reviews and reporting processes.	Ongoing		
	Monitor market conditions through daily checks and review of periodic reports issued by Banks on the current conditions to act as an early warning indicator.	Ongoing		
	Increase the prospective development proceeds for sites by exploring additional commercial opportunities where applicable.	Fallback		
	Ensure TfL has some flexibility with regards to sites offered on the market, thereby optimising the Over Station Development returns in the future.			



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Ongoing	Existing controls or processes

Review Comment: Trend remains stable though there are concerns about the impact of funding reduction from Government Departments (DfT & DCLG) on TfL.

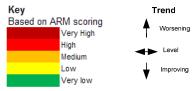
Delivery

2. Ability to re-prioritise short term deliverables in response to external factors

Owner: Steve Allen

TfL is required to respond to external factors from various bodies. There is a risk that TfL is required to reprioritise its short term operational challenges and requirements. This risk is focused on the immediate two year time frame and the impact is that TfL needs to be able to successfully deliver an integrated, cost effective transport solution, maintain service delivery pledges and successfully deliver Mayoral priorities.

	Current	Mitigating Actions	Status	Target	Trend	
		TfL undertakes demand forecasting, service planning and reliability, a business planning and budgeting process and an investment approval process.	Ongoing			
e		Leverage capability in Commercial Finance team to provide professional advice on projects, commercial agreements, areas of new business development and to analyse/structure TfL's involvement in mayoral priorities.	Ongoing		+	
	M	Contingency planning to adjust for the impact of revenue shortfall on the short term deliverables.	Ongoing	M		
		Align projects and activities in the capital investment portfolio with the Mayoral Transport Strategy (MTS) and TfL corporate strategic objectives via the transport outcomes and the wider benefits they enable.	In progress			
		Manage stakeholders and keep them informed on the Business Plan position to reduce the likelihood for reprioritisation.	In progress			



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Owner: Tricia Riley

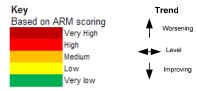
Value for Money

3. Pension Fund

TfL recognises the importance of providing god pension benefits to members. There is a risk of potential future TfL Pension Fund deficit. This may be due to adverse or unmatch movements, a collapse in investment markets and/or the non achievement of expected performance as a result of inappropriate actuarial assumptions (inaccurate member data or inaccurate asset information used by the Actuary for valuation).

ood	Current	Mitigating Actions	Status	Target	Trend
of a on ched		Ensure that TfL has a well diversified investment strategy across all portfolios to minimise risk.	Ongoing		
or a	М	Agreement and review of a prudent funding target with TfL Pension Fund Trustees to ensure that adequate contributions maintain the sustainability of the fund.	Ongoing	L	\leftrightarrow
or ion		Regular monitoring of the funding position and communication with the Trustees/Actuary regarding employer contributions.	Ongoing		

Review Comment: Agreement has been reached with the trustees to reduce the payments required to fund the pension deficit



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4. Delivery of capital investment portfolio and contract management			Owner: Mike Brown/ Leon Daniels		
TfL needs to ensure efficient and effective project and contract management to	Current	Mitigating Actions	Status	Target	Trend
enable it to meet its milestones. There is a risk that key elements of the capital investment portfolio		Corporate Gateway Reviews and Approvals process to inform cost effective delivery of capital investment portfolio	Ongoing		
could overspend and/or do not deliver the intended benefits.		Review of capital projects and programmes in the Operating Businesses	Ongoing		
	M	Consultation with IIPAG on benchmarking to; demonstrate organisational competence in delivering the capital investment programme, demonstrate an efficient and cost effective approach to whole life asset management following PAS 55 accreditation.	Ongoing	L	↔
		Delivery of the programme management capability programme – an initiative to improve delivery capability and maturity across TfL.	In progress		
		Develop and implement a single, consistent framework across TfL (Pathway) to support delivery of capital investment portfolio - project controls effectiveness, process clarification and project management systems.	In progress		



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Our Customers and Users

5. Disruption to quality of service

Owner: Mike Brown/ Leon Daniels

TfL aims to deliver the best quality service to its customers.

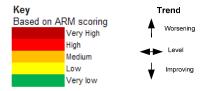
There is a risk of disruption to quality of service due to:

- implementing complex, major asset renewal and replacement programmes that are interrelated on an operational rail, bus operations, roads network
- frequent closures of lines or major stations
- changes to operational procedures and resource requirements after completion of asset upgrades.

These create the potential to disrupt customer service due to, possible asset/ systems failure on implementation and further knock-on effects.

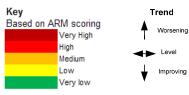
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	Current	Mitigating Actions	Status	Target	Trend
		Develop and implement operational readiness plans to support introducing new assets into service. This includes governance arrangements, programme monitoring, reliability forecasting, staff training and improved incident response	In progress		
		Delivery of the Access Improvement plan to review and improve the processes, structure and organisations involved in the planning and management of access. This includes creation of a single, accountable access delivery organisation for the operational railway	In progress		
	M	Additional investment via the Reliability programme to target the worst performing areas across TfL.	In progress	M	↓
		Mitigate effects through diversion of resources to support travelling public. Redistribute Network Operations resources on targeted areas of the transport network to manage travel demand and minimise the worst effects of disruption.	Fallback		

Review comment: Trend improved from worsening to stable following updates to the contributory risks from R&U and ST



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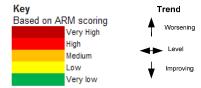
Our Customers and Users 6. Security Owner: Mike Brown/ Leon Daniels Current **Mitigating Actions Status** Target **Trend** TfL provides a mass public transport system for London. There is a risk of Major incident prevention and response planning and critical infrastructure resilience. Ongoing domestic or international terrorism which may cause casualties, disrupt Awareness training, CCTV, physical security measures, and internal resilience groups. Ongoing operational service, M damage assets and create fear in the travelling public. Terrorism Insurance Cover to assist with cost of repairs to damaged TfL assets. Ongoing Intelligence and liaison with police and security service. Ongoing



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7. Major events			Owner: M Leon Dan		!
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TfL provides the mass public transportation system for London. This includes providing services		Revision of timetables and possible service enhancements.	Ongoing		
for irregular major events such as Royal and sporting occasions. When increased demand is required, and to	L	Contingency Planning with event organisers, police and other emergency services.	In progress	VL	→
ensure its good reputation, TfL must be able to successfully deliver		Close collaboration within TfL, with other transport providers and wider stakeholders.	In progress		
enhanced transportation arrangements.		Major events planning and operational readiness review programmes implemented to ensure customers and users are able to travel to major events in London in a safe and timely manner.	Ongoing		

^{*} The Head of Strategic Co-ordination Unit will be the action owner for this risk once appointed, in the Interim Mike Weston and Alan Bristow.



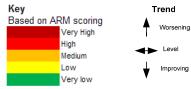
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Our Customers & Users

8. Managing external stakeholder interests Owner: Vernon Everett

TfL has to adequately manage and respond to public criticisms from informed and knowledgeable leaders. These criticisms may influence stakeholders and could impact on the perception of the organisation which may influence the availability of funding and support.

Current	Mitigating Actions	Status	Target	Trend
	Continue to build relationships with key stakeholders and maintain a capable stakeholder communications team.	Ongoing		
	Stakeholder management via the Local Implementation Plan (LIP) approval process to ensure boroughs transport policies and proposals align with the Mayoral Transport Strategy (MTS) and TfL priorities.	In progress		
М	Manage Mayor's questions and produce periodic performance reports.	Ongoing	M	↔
	Consultation with IIPAG on benchmarking to demonstrate organisational competence in delivering the capital investment programme; demonstrate an efficient and cost effective approach to whole life asset management following PAS 55 accreditation.	Ongoing		



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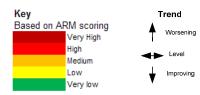
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9. Major Incident – External

Owner: Mike Brown/ Leon Daniels

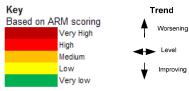
TfL is dedicated to the safety of the travelling
public. There is a risk of an
incident that leads to wide
spread service disruption,
asset damage and injuries
and/or fatalities. This could
be due to a natural disaster
or safety risk. The knock-on
impact would be disruption
and adverse impact on
TfL's safety reputation.

	Current	Mitigating Actions	Status	Target	Trend	
		Development of, and adherence to, Company Management System and TfL Standards.	Ongoing			
1		Monitoring, audit and review of safety performance and safety management.	Ongoing			
r n	M	Communication with Environment Agency and Met Office for early warnings of significant weather effects/potential flooding.	Ongoing	M	↔	
		Training programme to up skill managers and enable up to date risk assessments of operational assets.	In Progress			
		Develop, build and operate a co-located Command and Control Centre (LUCC) to bring together all of the main network system control functions which will enhance safety and improve response times to possible incidents.	In progress			



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Our Customers and Users 10. Major incident - Internal systems Owner: Vernon Everitt Current **Mitigating Actions Target** Trend **Status** TfL is committed to maintaining efficient back office infrastructure, Develop and maintain Business Continuity plans to ensure speedy recovery and business systems and processes. Ongoing There is a risk the fare resilience. collection system may fail temporarily and result in Ongoing loss of revenue. This may Ensure continuous monitoring and action via the Oyster Control Centre. L also result in financial loss and damage to the integrity Manage and maintain a robust change control regime for Cubic and TfL Systems that integrate with and confidence of the fare Ongoing collection system. the Ticketing System.



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Our People

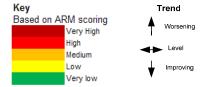
11. Industrial Relations (IR)

Owner: Mike Brown/Leon Daniels

TfL works in collaboration with Trade Unions (TUs). This ensures that issues are dealt with before they result in potential strikes or other work disruption. These issues may include the introduction of new technology and its perceived threat to job security, reorganisations, perceived threats to employment and employment conditions, implementation of TfL common policies and safety concerns. This could lead to a possible reduction in service and impact on TfL's reputation.

Current	Mitigating Actions	Status	Target	Trend
	Maintain strong links with external organisations to monitor relevant industry trends and developments impacting IR and build effective working relationships with TUs	Ongoing		
	Embed Employee Relations Strategic Plan and adopt a tactical approach to dispute management taking into account the unique circumstances and our strategic principles	Ongoing		↔
н	Develop and implement communications plan to enable timely engagement with staff in order to effectively counter negative messages from TUs	In progress	M	
	Regular reports from franchise/concession (Bus and Rail) operators on the status of relationship with Trade Unions, ballots and pay negotiations.	Ongoing		

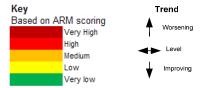
Review Comment: No strikes or work disruptions this quarter and the trend is stable



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Our Customers and Users 12. Environmental impact of delivering a transport service Owner: Michèle Dix TfL aims to demonstrate its Current **Mitigating Actions Status Target Trend** commitment to managing its environmental foot print in order to meet various regulatory targets for Deliver Mayoral aspirations on Air quality through capital investment programmes that support the Ongoing emissions and to deliver improved air quality initiative. Mayoral aspirations for air quality. There is a risk that increased service intensity н М across the network will drive upward pressure on Implement technology focused capital investment projects identified in the Business Plan to deliver Ongoing emissions and hinder TfL's reductions to NOx, CO2 emissions; these will enable TfL meet regulatory targets. ability to meet the regulatory targets.

Review comment: Trend remains high as the business continues to work on the identification and development of additional mitigating actions to reduce the current risk status, and the risk target.



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Owner: Tricia Riley

Our People

13. People Strategy

TfL recognises the importance of a skilled and motivated workforce to help deliver excellent transport services. There is a risk that OneHR is unable to completely deliver the objectives of TfL's People Strategy which include knowledge retention, timely access to scarce resources, staff development and retention

	Current	Mitigating Actions	Status	Target	Trend	
		Develop Resourcing Strategy that facilitates resource planning for future needs and make provision to acquire these resources proactively.	Ongoing			
0		Develop the Management System directly related to People Management to ensure information is consistent, simple to understand and easy to find to assist staff and managers in relation to HR issues.	Ongoing			
,	L	Utilise an IT solution to improve the accuracy of workforce planning.	In progress	VL	↔	ļ
,		Implement the Managing Essentials Programme for new managers to ensure they learn skills and processes applicable to their roles in TfL and increase managerial competence.	In progress			
		Implement a single, unified Behaviour Framework to enable all TfL staff to work toward the same desired behaviours.	In progress			





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