

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GMITA CYCLES ON TRAMS WORKING
GROUP HELD ON THE 17 MAY 2010**

PRESENT: Councillor Richard Knowles (in the Chair)
Councillor Andrew Fender
Councillor David Jones
Councillor Brian Rigby
Councillor Craig Wright

ALSO PRESENT: Bob Morris, Interim Chief Operating Officer, GMPTE
Philip Purdy, Metrolink Director, GMPTE
Simon Warburton, Policy Manager, GMITA
Chris McDermott, Principal Committee Officer, GMITA

APOLOGIES: Councillor Doreen Dickinson

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the inaugural meeting of the GMITA Cycles on Trams Working Group held on the 19 March 2010 were submitted.

RESOLVED/-

That the minutes of the meeting of the GMITA Cycles on Trams Working Group held on the 19 March 2010 be approved, subject to a reference being included that clarification was needed on the policy towards the carriage of folding bicycles on Metrolink.

2. PROGRESS NOTE

The Working Group considered a report of the Metrolink Director, GMPTE, which set progress against the work programme agreed at the last meeting.

The Working Group welcomed the report and made the following observations:

i) Review of European Systems

- Provide clarity on the floor specification of the identified European systems to be reviewed.

ii) Stakeholder Engagement

- Circulate the draft group of questions for the consultation with Metrolink season ticket holders, concessionary pass holder and prams/puchchair users to all members of the working group for comment.

iii) Costs

- Provide further information on the number of expectant cycle on trams users; the cost per user of providing facilities; and the full implications and costs resulting from a reduction in seats on vehicles.

iv) General

- Explore all options for the improvement of sustainable travel options, including the provision of cycle storage facilities at Metrolink stations and cycle hire schemes.
- Provide clarification on the policy towards the carriage of folding bicycles on Metrolink.
- Ensure that cycle and walking groups were sufficiently engaged in the development of LTP3.
- Explore whether there were any other cycling group stakeholders within the districts which may wish to provide evidence to the review.

RESOLVED/-

1. That the report be noted and that the various Members' comments set out above be actioned; and
2. That a further report setting out the responses to the calls for evidence from stakeholders be submitted to the next meeting of the Working Group.

4. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED/-

That the next meeting of the Working Group take place at the rise of the Authority Annual Meeting on the 18 June 2010.