

WEST YORKSHIRE PASSENGER TRANSPORT AUTHORITY

LEEDS PASSENGER CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: 14 JULY 2008

AGENDA ITEM NO: 5

SUBJECT: CONSULTATION ITEMS

Report of the Passenger Transport Executive

1. MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

1.1. PCC members views on:

- a) Access to Hospitals
- b) Cross Boundary Bus Services
- c) Realtime Displays – Demonstration
- d) Fuel Prices and Transport

2. INFORMATION

Access to Hospitals

- 2.1. Access to hospitals and health services has been identified as a priority for action in the Local Transport Plan Accessibility Strategy.
- 2.2. The Accessibility Partnership, which oversees the delivery of the Accessibility strategy, proposed an audit of hospital sites in each district. The audit aims to gather information on public transport and physical accessibility issues to inform shared actions for delivery by the hospitals, Metro and districts.
- 2.3. Metro has employed two students on summer work placement to undertake the audits.
- 2.4. There will be a short presentation on this project, and members' feedback will be sought.

Cross Boundary Bus Services

- 2.5. PCC members have requested a discussion on cross-boundary bus services and destinations served and not-so-well served.

Realtime Displays – Demonstration

- 2.6. Metro is developing a new form of real time display which combines the information from a number of individual stops on one screen. The screens could be used in the foyers of shopping centres, hospitals and other large, well used buildings to show what services are leaving from the vicinity of that location.
- 2.7. A short presentation will be given to demonstrate this new development. Members' feedback will be sought on where this new service might be rolled out.

Fuel Prices and Transport

- 2.8. Fuel prices have increased significantly over the last year, with the price of oil now approaching \$140 per barrel and pump prices at around £1.20 per litre.
- 2.9. This step change may have significant short and long term impact on transport supply (as running buses and trains becomes more expensive) and demand.

The views of PCC members are sought on public reaction to this situation, and how people could be encouraged to make more use of public transport, cycling and walking.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1. That PCC Members provide feedback on the topics set out above.

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