



Summary of meeting - London Transition Board

15 October 2020, 1600-1730

Co-Chairs: Minister of State, Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government and the Home Office; Deputy Mayor of London for Fire and Resilience.

Annexes:

- A: Membership, guests

1. Chairs' welcome and introduction (Minister Greenhalgh, Deputy Mayor)

1.1 Minister Greenhalgh welcomed attendees and invited the London Strategic Coordination Group Chair to give an update on the Covid-19 response in London.

2 London situational update and Strategy Group update (Chair, London Strategic Coordination Group)

2.1 London Strategic Coordination Group (SCG) Chair noted that the Strategic Coordination Group and Delivery Coordination Group had been stood up, with representation from all sectors to consider system risks. The sub-groups supporting the Strategic Coordination Group were outlined for the awareness of members.

3 Epidemiological update (Deputy Director, PHE London)

3.1 Paul Plant provided an overview of the current epidemiological data for London. Paul noted that all boroughs were experiencing sustained growth in the number of cases and that London as a whole had moved into Tier 2 of the Local Alert Levels due to London infection levels continuing to rise.

3.2 Board members had a discussion which included considering the role of test, track and trace to support economic activity.

4 New Local Alert Levels – update and discussion (National Director, Contain)

4.1 The National Director of the Contain programme updated the Board with details of the new Local Alert Levels, the rationale behind this standardisation, and the contributing factors for allocating local areas to different tiers.

4.2 Board members discussed how data could be utilised better to help areas manage down infection rates and so move to lower tiers.

5 Update on the West End (Minister for London)

5.1 The Minister for London noted the challenges that Tier 2 would bring to London and to the West End economy. He added that existing planning remained strong and noted there would be an opportunity to refresh and relaunch the strategy.

6 Next Steps for the London Transition Board and Strategy Groups (SoS)

6.1 The Deputy Mayor recognised that members of the Board were now responding to wave 2 as well as on-going transition work, and in light of that MHCLG and the Mayor will report back to members about next steps.

7 AOB and review of actions (Deputy Mayor)

7.1 The Deputy Mayor thanked members for their time and effort to support the work of the Board.

ANNEX A

Membership

Organisation	Role	Name
GLA	Mayor of London	Sadiq Khan – Co-Chair
MHCLG	Secretary of State	Robert Jenrick – Co-Chair
BEIS	Minister for London	Paul Scully
London Councils	Chair	Peter John OBE (Lab)
	Deputy Chair	Georgia Gould (Lab)
	Vice Chair	Teresa O'Neill (Conservative)
	Vice Chair	Ruth Dombey (LibDem)
	Vice Chair	Catherine McGuinness (Ind)
Strategic Coordination Group Chair	Chair	John Barradell
Chief Executive of Haringey Council	Chair	Zina Etheridge
New West End Company	Chair	Sir Peter Rogers
London First	Chair	Paul Drechsler
TheCityUK	Chair	Sir Adrian Montague
Camden Town Unlimited	Chief Executive	Simon Pitkeathley
Trust for London	CEO	Bharat Mehta
Transport for London	Commissioner	Andy Byford
Metropolitan Police	Commissioner	Dame Cressida Dick
NHS England	NHS Regional Director for London	David Sloman
Kings College London	Vice President	Baroness Bull
City Bridge Trust	Director	David Farnsworth
National Contain Lead & Oldham City Council	Chief Executive	Carolyn Wilkins
Public Health England	Regional Director	Kevin Fenton

Guests:

Fiona Twycross, Deputy Mayor of London for Fire and Resilience

Lord Stephen Greenhalgh, Minister of State, Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government and the Home Office.

Steve McManus, National Director: Contain, NHS Test & Trace

Paul Plant, Deputy Director, PHE London (deputising for Kevin Fenton, PHE Regional Director)

Alex Williams, Director of City Planning, TfL (deputising for Andy Byford, TfL Commissioner)