CITY OF WESTMINSTER

COMMITTEE OF THE CABINET (PADDINGTON STATION - LONG TERM VEHICLE ACCESS)

DRAFT MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a meeting of the Committee of the Cabinet (Paddington Station Long Term Vehicle Access) held on Wednesday 19 June 2002 at 8.00am at City Hall, Victoria Street, SW1.

Present: Councillors Simon Milton (Chairman), Kit Malthouse and Tim Mitchell.

1. MEMBERSHIP

1.1 There were no changes to membership.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2.1 Councillor Simon Milton declared an interest in item 5 – Paddington Station Long Term Vehicle Access on the grounds that he lives within the consultation area for traffic amelioration measures for the LTVA.

3. MINUTES

3.1 **RESOLVED**: That the minutes of the meeting held on 25 March 2002 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4. EXEMPT REPORTS UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

4.1 **RESOLVED**: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business as they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information on the grounds shown below:-

Agenda Item No	<u>Grounds</u>	Para of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act
5 & 6	Information concerning expenditure to be incurred and terms proposed for the supply of goods and services	8 & 9

- 5. PADDINGTON STATION LONG TERM VEHICLE ACCESS (LTVA) (Report of Director of Planning and Transportation agenda item 6).
- 5.1 The report updated the Committee on progress in relation to the status of the Collaboration Agreement negotiations; cost over-run insurance; the enabling works contract; the status of the Works Agreements (in particular the LUL working tolerances) and cost and programme implications for the LTVA project.

5.2 **RESOLVED**:

- (i) That the works referred to in resolutions (ii), (iii), (iv) and (v) below be permitted to proceed without cost overrun insurance.
- (ii) That the Director of Planning and Transportation be authorised to issue an instruction to the enabling works contractor to recommence work on the UTX.
- (iii) That the Director of Planning & Transportation be authorised to proceed with the necessary orders for utility undertakers to divert existing services.
- (iv) That an increase in the financial approvals for interim spending on the design and implementation phase of the enabling works from £1,088,687 be approved to fully implement the Enabling Works contract on the basis that no change is currently anticipated in the original overall authority of £3,731,438 for this contract.
- (v) That the Director of Planning and Transportation be authorised to serve appropriate notices on landowners to vacate the site to provide continuity for the works.
- (vi) That a further report be submitted by 16 July concerning potential alternative third party sources of funding for the project, the mitigation of risk, and- the consequences of a decision to abandon the project.

REASONS FOR DECISIONS

- The implications of abandoning the project need to be further considered.
- The enabling works contractor can terminate his contract if he is prevented from commencing tunnelling work on 13 June 2002.
- Project uncertainties have given rise to delays and increased cost. The proposed strategy will minimise further delay to the project and the outturn cost.

- PROJECT INSURANCE CONTRACT AWARD REPORT (Report of 6. Director of Planning and Transportation – agenda item 7).
- 6.1 The report updated the Committee on progress in relation to the procurement of insurance for the LTVA project.
- 6.2 A sheet showing a sample of key risks and inclusions in relation to the proposed insurance cover was tabled. Members questioned the officers in relation to this and the circulated report.

6.3 **RESOLVED**:

- That the project insurance be awarded as indicated in Appendix A of (i) the report.
- That the Chief Financial Officer and Director of Legal & Administrative (ii) Services be authorised to agree any minor amendments to detail deemed necessary and to conclude the policy/contract documentation accordingly.
- That, following the award of the policy, the Chief Financial Officer be (iii) authorised to negotiate any variations to the premium/service contract price that become necessary as a result of changes required to policy cover, subject to the necessary budget approvals.

REASONS FOR DECISIONS

The level of insurance cover quoted is considered essential and the terms and premiums are the most favourable that can be negotiated.

7. **END OF MEETING**

7.1	The meeting ended at 9.04am.		
Chair	man	Date	