UITP SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (SDC)
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DRAFT MINUTES

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INTRODUCTION
1. These minutes summarise the main conclusions and decisions made at the meeting. Links to relevant documents are contained in these minutes and further information is available in the working papers and presentations which are available in Mobi+.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS AND UITP UPDATE – Paper 1& 2
2. The minutes of the last meeting were approved as drafted. Most actions were either superseded by events or considered as part of the agenda.

3. In January, UITP launched their new corporate identity with the core message of 'advancing public transport'. A new set of terms of references (available in Mobi+) have been established for all UITP Commission and Committees which requires members to contribute to universal deliverables.

4. At the request of UITP members - **MyUITP**, has been set up which is a new online networking tool. An on-line platform has been developed for Charter signatories to facilitate the sharing of best practice and knowledge. A platform has also been established for the Commission and it was agreed that SDC administrative working will be conducted through it prior to meetings.

5. The Milan UITP World Congress call for sessions is open (deadline 31 July 2014) and it was agreed that alongside the Organising Authority, Transport & Urban Life and IT Commissions, the SDC will make a call for a smart city session. By the end of May, a draft outline proposal will be developed **(Action: Markus, Peter, Elaine & Christiano, UITP to provide further background)**. The format of the session is flexible and could feature as an I[2] debate[1]. The World Congress will also agree the 2015/17 work plan and the SDC were requested to provide UITP with potential focus topics for this period **(Action: all).** Air quality was highlighted as an issue for further work.

6. To date, 54 organisations have signalled their willingness to continue the Charter. Further effort will be done to follow up unresponsive signatories and ensure that signatories meet the requirements **(Action: UITP, Chair & Charter WG)**.

7. The autumn 2014 meeting will be held by possibly Carris (subject to request) or DeLijn, the spring 2015 meeting will be held alongside the World Congress and the UITP will look for a host for the autumn 2015 meeting – dates tbc for all **(Action, UITP)**.

AD Little – The Future of Urban Mobility *(presentation available)*
8. The presentation focused on Arthur D. Little's Urban Mobility Index and reveals that most cities are still badly equipped to cope with the mobility challenges ahead indicating that there remains significant potential for improvement. Hong Kong tops the ranking and the study identifies three strategic directions for cities as well as 25 imperatives for cities.

Smart Cities Focus Paper – Paper 3 *(presentation available)*
9. A roundtable discussion highlighted that cities were at different stages when it comes to smart cities. In the US, there is a refocusing on cities but there is a general feeling that a one size fits all approach to smart cities will not work (Arriva). Many cities are starting to connect their city to the internet (e.g. Rome, Cologne) but, in general, there tends to be a fragmented approach to smart cities (VDV). Governance will be a key determinate to how smart your city will become (Provincie Gelderland).

10. Integrated mobility is a defining feature of smart city mobility (Munich, Leipzig) and many of the means by which to develop an integrated system have started to take hold e.g. smart card systems (Hannover, Vienna, STIB). It was agreed that the first stage of the smart city is starting to take shape, that is to optimise individual city systems, the second more challenging phase will be to integrate these different systems together (TfL). Data will have a big role to play in this integration (De Lijn, Montreal) but this raises issues around ownership. As more and more people move to cities, especially in emerging economies like the Far East, smart city concepts and big data will play an increasing important role.

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[1] Debates with experts on both sides of each issue. The audience has the opportunity to ask questions and vote on the motion before and after the debate.

11. If the public transport sector is to play an integrator leadership role there is a need to share best practices amongst members. The sector will need a core strategy on how they are going to take the lead and it was agreed that the focus paper will now be developed into an action brief for the sector **(Action: UITP)**.

Charter Sustainability Reporting Guide - Paper 5 *(presentation available)*
12. The dimensions of the indicators will be reviewed and the report finalised via correspondence **(Action, all – end July)**. The next step will be to align the indicators with the GRI G4 indicators and develop a simple guidance document on materiality and sustainability development management. Training sessions will be developed but the format has not been defined at this stage but E-learning/webinars, linked to MyUITP, was suggested as a possible way forward.

 Transport for London – Climate Change Adaptation *(presentation available)*
13. TfL has assessed and evaluated the future climate impacts on its assets and services, referencing the latest generation of climate projections and the presentation highlighted some of the main findings of the study.

UN Climate Summit - Paper 6a, 6b *(presentation available)*
14. The SDC were informed of the UN Climate Summit and the Abu Dhabi Ascent which formally launched the UITP Declaration on Climate Leadership. To support of the objectives of the declaration, UITP members will now be requested to inform UITP of their plans for actions to tackle climate change. The SDC will play a key role in overseeing **(Action, Chair, Elaine, Patricia)** and seeking commitments **(Action, all)**. The SDC recommended that the UITP Secretary General (SG) film a video address and write to all CEOs seeking bold commitments (**Action, UITP**). The SG confirmed to the Commission that this initiative is a priority for UITP in the coming months.

Smart London Board
15. The **Smart London Plan** was launched at the end of 2013 and this session focused the key elements contained in the strategy.

C40 Cities *(presentation available)*
16. The C40 cities are a network of megacities working on climate change and the findings of a recent survey of their efforts was presented. It was agreed that closer collaboration between the C40 and UITP will be explored as well as their endorsement to the UITP declaration for the Climate Summit.

AOB
17. The European Union has recently agreed a **Directive** on non-financial reporting. There is no expectation that unlisted public transport companies should, in general, fall within the scope of application of this Directive.

18. TfL has recently launched their first **Transport Action Plan** aimed at improving public health in London.