

Head of Programmes' Report

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report provides updates to the Board on wider RTP issues including Transport Scotland's Active Travel Fund, Review of the National Transport Strategy (NTS 2), the East Coast Main Line Association (ECMA) and other matters of relevance to the Partnership.

2. Transport Scotland's Active Travel Fund

- 2.1 At the end of 2017, the RTPs had put a proposal to Transport Scotland (TS) and the then Minister for Transport & the Islands for the creation of a Regional Active Travel Development Fund to support maximising the benefits across Scotland from the Scottish Government's welcome commitment to doubling of Active Travel funding to £80 million/annum from 2018/19 - 2020/21.

Subsequent meetings and discussion then took place between TS and RTP lead officers. As a result, the RTPs were invited to bid for a total of £1m and, separately, for £2m from the above fund.

Transport Scotland have now agreed to fund SEStran's proposal to carry out a feasibility study into a cross boundary route between Larbert and Plean, which is a share of the £2m fund allocated to the RTPs

3. The Transport Bill Scotland

- 3.1 SEStran's Head of Programmes, along with representatives from SPT, SCOTS and Highland Council, gave evidence to the Rural Economy & Connectivity Committee on 19 September on all aspects of the Transport Bill. A report of the meeting can be viewed through the following link.

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/ormain.aspx>

4. Review of The National Transport Strategy (NTS 2)

- 4.1 The Head of Programmes attended a meeting of the "Enabling Economic Growth thematic working group on 23rd October 2018, during which the final set of relevant policies was determined. This work is supported by consultants, Peter Brett Associates. These policies are now to be merged with similar output from the other working groups and rationalised at a higher level in the review hierarchy.

5.. East Coast Main Line Association (ECMA) and High Speed Rail 2, East (HS2E)

- 5.1** The most recent consortium meeting took place on 14 November and was held in Edinburgh City Chambers. A draft minute of the meeting is attached at **Appendix 1**.
Of particular note is that a debate, led by Catherine McKinnell, MP took place in the UK parliament on 17 October 2018 which made the case for continued and increased investment in the line to, not only sustain the line but also improve it for the future so that the full economic benefits of the line could be realised.

A record of the debate is available through the following link:

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/ormain.aspx>

- 5.2** In respect of HS2 East, the Head of Programmes attended both a Business Breakfast and Board meeting on 12 October 2018, in Newcastle. Speakers included Sir Terry Morgan, the recently appointed Chair of HS2 and Sir Bob Kerlake. During these meetings the economic benefits of HS2 East being routed through cities in the north east of England, including Sheffield, Leeds and Newcastle and further north to Edinburgh and Glasgow were highlighted and a strong case for such a route was made. An approach to the Scottish Government is to be made in the near future to encourage a collaborative approach by both governments.

6. Airport Consultative Committee

- 6.1** The latest meeting took place on 12 November and SEStran was represented by Vice Chair, Councillor Colin Davidson. A new Chair of the committee has been appointed and he has a strong focus on consultation.
- 6.2** The airport is currently going through a process to increase the number of flight paths to and from the airport. A consultation process is a fundamental part of the process, all of which ultimately requires the approval of the Civil Aviation Authority.
- 6.3** A number of issues in respect of the current operation of the airport were raised during the meeting regarding the passenger experience at the airport; including passport control, self service machines, baggage collection, traffic congestion on leaving, signage and road markings. Increased charges for using the drop-off zone were also discussed.

7. Recommendations

- 7.1** That the Board notes the content of the report.

Jim Grieve
Head of Programmes
2nd November 2018

Appendix 1: Draft Minute of the ECMA meeting on 14 November 2018

Policy Implications	None
Financial Implications	Additional projects funding
Equalities Implications	None
Climate Change Implications	None



ECMA

East Coast Main Line Authorities Consortium Meeting
 1.00pm to 3.30pm, Wednesday 14th November 2018,
 Council Chamber, Edinburgh City Chambers,
 253 High Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1YJ

Summary notes

Agenda no	Item	Actions
1	<p>Welcome, introductions & apologies for absence</p> <p>Attendance and apologies are listed at Appendix 1. Councillor Gordon Edgar welcomed everyone present to Edinburgh</p>	None
2.	<p>Invited speakers</p> <p>Presentations/notes from the following accompany these notes with comments/actions in brackets where applicable after each item below</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Beyond HS2: Jim Steer, John Jarvis, Greengauge 21 - DfT update: John Reed, DfT - ECML update: David Horne, LNER, and Rob McIntosh, Network Rail. (Rob McIntosh will ask his colleague Matt Rice to contact IC about Network Rail's work on the ECML) - East Coast Partnership: Tony Poulter, DfT - High Speed Scotland: Alastair Young, Transport Scotland - HS2East update: Ian Coe on behalf of Andrew Pritchard, East Midlands Councils. <p>(Andrew also advised Ian of the following forthcoming HS2 event: High Speed Two Parliament - Promoting the wider benefits of the eastern leg of HS2, Wednesday 6th March 2019, 2.00pm-4.00pm, Committee Room 6, House of Commons Confirmed speakers to date are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lillian Greenwood MP, Chair of the Transport Committee • Sir Terry Morgan, Chair, HS2 Ltd <p>Registration for this event will be open after Christmas; IC will check with Andrew Pritchard and advise everyone when they can register)</p>	<p>RM</p> <p>IC</p>
3	<p>Previous meeting notes</p>	None

	The meeting agreed the notes of the officer group meeting on 5th September 2018 and Consortium meeting on 29th June 2018	
4	Network Rail Continuous Modular Strategic Planning This was covered by Rob McIntosh's presentation under Agenda item 1	None
5	ECMA Secretariat IC advised the meeting that a member of staff is being appointed within his team at the North East Combined Authority (NECA) on ECMA duties. The meeting agreed to the £31k recharge from ECMA funds to NECA set out in Agenda item 5c of the last Consortium meeting on 29th June. IC advised that Nottinghamshire County Council had now agreed to contribute £2k to ECMA for this financial year. AT advised that he would pursue with Peterborough and Cambridgeshire Combined Authority a possible ECMA contribution from them	AT
6	JMP research refresh IC agreed to proceed with procuring the refresh of the 2016 research.	IC
7	All Party Parliamentary Group update Noted – for further information please see details of the APPG, at https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm/cmllparty/180314/east-coast-main-line.htm and details of the APPG's activities and a link to details of the debate on 17th October, available at https://www.catherinemckinnellmp.co.uk/category/appg-east-coast-mainline/	None
8	AOB None	None
9	Date, time and venue for future Consortium and Executive meetings <u>Consortium:</u> - March 2019 in York (date and time to be decided) <u>Officers Group:</u> - 11.00am to 1.30pm, Wednesday 5th December 2018 , Boardroom, Nexus House, 33 St James Boulevard, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4AX (please note the start time of 11.00am not 10.00am as wrongly stated previously)	None

Appendix 1

Present (total 23 attendees)

Cllr Ian Gillies (Chair)	City of York Council (ECMA Chair)
Cllr Gordon Edgar	Sustran (South East of Scotland Transport Partnership) (ECMA Vice Chair)
Cllr Eric Firth	West Yorkshire Combined Authority (ECMA Vice Chair)
Cllr Bill Mordue	Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council (ECMA Vice Chair)
Cllr Joyce McCarty	Newcastle City Council/North East Combined Authority
Cllr Brian Gordon	Tactran (Tayside & Central Scotland Transport Partnership)
Cllr Ralph Raynor	Stevenage Borough Council
Ian Coe	North East Combined Authority (minutes)
John Reed	Department for Transport
Tony Poulter	Department for Transport
Rob McIntosh	Network Rail
David Horne	London North East Railway
Alastair Young	Transport Scotland
Jim Grieve	Sustran (South East of Scotland Transport Partnership)
Dave Pownall	Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council
Jane Findlay	Fife Council
Tom Flanagan	Tactran (Tayside & Central Scotland Transport Partnership)
David Marshall	Sunderland City Council
Andy Tatt	Peterborough City Council
Adrian White	Durham County Council
Richard Crabtree	West Yorkshire Combined Authority
Graham North	North Yorkshire County Council
Neil Ferris	City of York Council

Apologies

Cllr Sharon Taylor	Hertfordshire County Council (ECMA Vice Chair)
Cllr Michael Mordey	Sunderland City Council
Cllr Amy Wilson	Sunderland City Council
Cllr Christopher Brewis	Lincolnshire County Council
Cllr Harker	Darlington Borough Council/Tees Valley Combined Authority
Cllr Graham Bull	Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority
Cllr Carl Marshall	Durham County Council
Cllr Derrick Ashley	Hertfordshire County Council
Cllr Don Mackenzie	North Yorkshire County Council
Cllr Peter Hiller	Peterborough City Council
Andrew Pritchard	East Midlands Councils
Anthony May	Nottinghamshire County Council
Kevin Sharman	Nottinghamshire County Council
Andrew Thomas	Lincolnshire County Council
Ian Kitchen	Lincolnshire County Council

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Trevor Mason	Hertfordshire County Council
Kersten England	Bradford Council
Steve Hartley	Bradford Council
Terry Collins	Durham County Council
Barry Mason	Durham County Council
Ian Thompson	Durham County Council
Kate Stoker	City of York Council
Tom Riordan	Leeds City Council
Niall Gardiner	Tactran (Tayside & Central Scotland Transport Partnership)
Rob Walsh	North East Lincolnshire Council
John Wood	Hertfordshire County Council
Merran McRae	Wakefield Council



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 1.00pm to 3.30pm Wednesday 14th November 2018
 The Council Chamber at Edinburgh City Chambers, Edinburgh

HS2East update (note prepared by Ian Coe from information supplied by Andrew Pritchard, East Midlands Councils)

1	Recent developments
1.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HS2 East met on the 12th October 2018 in Newcastle • Key speakers included the new Chair of HS2 Ltd Sir Terry Morgan, Cllr Nick Forbes, Cllr Judith Blake and Sir Bob Kerslake • Sir Terry used his first public speech as HS2 to re-state the importance of the Phase 2b and the eastern leg to the overall business case for HS2 • Sir Bob spoke about the UK2070 Commission http://uk2070.org.uk/ and the need for a long term national plan for the development of the UK • At the subsequent member meeting, it was agreed to develop a common narrative for both HS2 and ECML investment - initial thoughts from Andrew accompany this note
2	Next HS2 event
2.1	<p>The next HS2 event of interest to ECMA is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Speed Two (HS2) Parliament - Promoting the wider benefits of the eastern leg of HS2 • Wednesday 6th March 2019, 2.00pm-4.00pm • Committee Room 6, House of Commons • Confirmed to date: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lillian Greenwood MP, Chair of the Transport Committee - Sir Terry Morgan, Chair, HS2 Ltd <p>Further updates to follow; registration is understood to be open after Christmas and Ian Coe will advise ECMA as soon as details are received</p>

The East Coast Main Line and HS2 - A Shared Vision

(Draft 21st June 2018)



Background

- The East Coast Main Line (ECML) links London with Edinburgh and the north east of Scotland via Peterborough, Grantham, Newark, Doncaster, Leeds, York, Durham and Newcastle and is a key driver of economic growth across the eastern side of Britain.
- Although the ECML has traditionally been considered to be the UK's premier rail route, the infrastructure has not been upgraded for some time and there are significant speed and capacity constraints in a number of areas.
- Network Rail only has identified funding for renewals and for completing existing enhancements in CP6 (2019-2023). All additional enhancements will be developed through a new Rail Enhancements Pipeline (REP) process on a case by case basis.
- The current East Coast Franchise will be terminated at the end of June 2018. After an interim period of public ownership, a new public/private partnership will manage both infrastructure and train services on the ECML from 2020 onwards.
- The Eastern leg of HS2 will link London, Birmingham & Leeds via the East Midlands and South Yorkshire and is due to become operational in 2033.
- It will connect with the ECML north of Leeds and HS2 conventional-compatible services are proposed to run as far as Newcastle – although a strong economic case has been made by HS2 East for using the HS2 Eastern Leg/ECML corridor to serve Scotland by high speed rail.
- The Scottish Government is currently looking at infrastructure improvements on both the WCML and ECML corridors to enable high speed rail connectivity - including between Newcastle and Dunbar.

A Shared Vision

- The future of the ECML and delivery of the HS2 Eastern leg are inextricably linked, particularly north of Leeds.
- Whilst the function of the ECML will change once HS2 Eastern Leg, becomes operational, it will continue to have vital economic role and remain an investment priority.
- It is helpful to look at future priorities in three phases:
Phase 1 (2019-23): Addressing existing under-performance on the ECML and securing the HS2 2b Hybrid bill
Phase 2 (2023-33): HS2 2b construction and improving ECML between Leeds and Newcastle for HS2 conventional compatible services
Phase 3 (2033-43): Enhanced high speed rail links to Scotland
- Developing a vision and narrative on this basis shared by ECMA & HS2 East will increase the lobbying power of both groups and increase the likelihood of securing positive outcomes.

A Three Phased Approach

Phase 1: (2019-23)	Phase 2: (2023-33)	Phase 3: (2033-43)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using NR renewals plan to prioritise enhancements for REP process (e.g. Newark Flat-bed Crossing). • Using new East Coast Partnership arrangements to drive further service improvements. • Ensuring that the HS2 2b hybrid Bill is passed by Parliament and enables conventional-compatible service to run on the ECML north of Leeds. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of HS2 Eastern Leg. • Speed and capacity enhancements on ECML between Leeds & Newcastle for conventional-compatible services. • Station capacity enhancements at Leeds, York and Newcastle. • Development of major improvement on ECML between Newcastle & Dunbar (Cross-border Hybrid Bill?). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of major improvements on ECML between Newcastle & Dunbar. • High speed rail services linking Scotland and London in under 3 hours via HS2 Eastern Leg and upgraded East Coast Main line.



East Coast Main Line Authorities Consortium Meeting
 1.00pm to 3.30pm Friday 29th June 2018
 Hudson Room, City of York Council, West Offices, Station Rise, York YO1 6GA

Summary notes

Agenda no	Item	Actions
1	<p>Welcome, introductions & apologies for absence</p> <p>Attendance and apologies are listed at Appendix 1.</p>	None
2.	<p>Invited speakers</p> <p>The following presentations/leaflets accompany these notes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alistair Young, Transport Scotland (High Speed Rail in Scotland). AY to advise IC re representation from English local authorities on partnership with DfT and HS2 - John Reed, Department for Transport (working together on ECML). IC to keep JR on ECMA invitation list - Phil Dawson, LNER (transition to LNER) <p>Andrew Pritchard, HS2East (HS2 East update) – the next HS2East meeting is Friday 12th October in Newcastle, details from Andrew.Pritchard@emcouncils.gov.uk Andrew to send IC the agenda for circulation</p>	<p>AY</p> <p>IC</p> <p>AP/IC</p>
3	<p>Previous Consortium meeting notes</p> <p>Noted</p>	None
4	<p>Update from Executive (officer) group</p> <p>Noted</p>	None
5	<p>ECMA budget, governance and messages</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Budget 2018/19. Cllr Bull will respond regarding Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority contribution to ECMA. IC to ask City of York to confirm amount of carry over (underspend) in ECMA budget at end of financial year 2017/18 Agreed - Chair to write to all ECMA local authority Chief Execs b. Refresh of Terms of Reference (Consortium and officer group) Agreed: 	<p>CllrGB</p> <p>IC (done)</p> <p>Chair</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o proposed changes as circulated before the meeting plus those submitted to meeting by Jim Grieve on behalf of Scottish RTPs. o There to be 4 Vice Chairs not 3 – Cllr Sharon Taylor (Stevenage) for South, Cllr Mordue (Doncaster) for Middle, Cllr Firth (WYorks) for North of England and Cllr Edgar (SESTran) for Scotland o Executive to be renamed “Officer Group” o Only those Authorities who have paid a contribution to ECMA to participate in officer group meetings <p>IC to circulate revised terms of reference (Consortium and officer group)</p> <p>c. Next steps Agreed with minor amendment IC to circulate revised version</p> <p>d. Key messages Agreed</p>	<p>IC</p> <p>IC</p>
6	<p>All Party Parliamentary Group update</p> <p>IC to confirm next meeting, provisionally scheduled for 17th October</p>	<p>IC</p>
7	<p>AOB</p> <p>Agreed – officers to progress refresh of Systra’s research on behalf of ECMA and relaunch of ECMA’s message</p>	<p>IC/RC/GN</p>
8	<p>Date, time and venue for future Consortium and Executive meetings</p> <p><u>Consortium:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1.00pm to 3.30pm, Wednesday 14th November 2018, Council Chamber, Edinburgh City Chambers, 253 High Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1YJ. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served at 12.45pm. - June 2019 (to be decided) <p><u>Officers Group: (note revised start time of 11.00am)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 11.00am to 1.30pm, Wednesday 5th September 2018, Boardroom, Nexus House, 33 St James Boulevard, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4AX - 11.00am to 1.30pm, Wednesday 5th December 2018, Boardroom, Nexus House, 33 St James Boulevard, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4AX <p>The majority view at and following the meeting appears to be that future meetings be held in York</p>	

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Cllr Bill Mordue	Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council
Cllr Graham Bull	Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority
Cllr Gary Wareing	Hull City Council
Ian Coe	North East Combined Authority (minutes)
John Reed	Department for Transport
Phil Dawson	London North East Railway
Derek Gittins	Nexus
Ruth Stephenson	Hull City Council
Graham North	North Yorkshire County Council
Neil Firth	Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council
Jim Grieve	Sustran (South East of Scotland Transport Partnership)
Lewis Banks	Peterborough City Council
Ian Thompson	Durham County Council
Richard Crabtree	West Yorkshire Combined Authority
Mark Jackson	Sunderland City Council
Apologies	
Cllr Bill Dixon	Tees Valley Combined Authority/Darlington Borough Council
Cllr Christopher Brewis	Lincolnshire County Council
Cllr Darren Hale	Hull City Council
Cllr Don Mackenzie	North Yorkshire County Council
Cllr Derrick Ashley	Hertfordshire County Council
Cllr Carl Marshall	Durham County Council
Cllr Matthew Patrick	North East Lincolnshire Council
Cllr John Holdich	Peterborough City Council
Cllr Peter Hiller	Peterborough City Council
Cllr Eric Firth	West Yorkshire Combined Authority
Cllr Kathrine Cutts	Nottinghamshire County Council
Andrew Pritchard	East Midlands Councils (participated in item 1 by phone)
Jo Miller	Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council
Dave Pownall	Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council
Peter Dale	Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council
Trevor Mason	Hertfordshire County Council
Zaid Al-Jawad	Stevenage Borough Council
Tom Pyke	Stevenage Borough Council

Marshall Poulton	Newcastle City Council
Graham Grant	Newcastle City Council
Alistair Baldwin	Newcastle City Council
Neil Ferris	City of York Council
John Wood	Hertfordshire County Council
Eric Guthrie	Tactran (Tayside & Central Scotland Transport Partnership)
Julian Jackson	Bradford Council
Kersten England	Bradford Council
Steve Hartley	Bradford Council
Derick Murray	Nestrans (Transport Partnership for Aberdeen City and Shire)
Jo Miller	Doncaster Council
Terry Collins	Durham County Council
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Merran McRae	Wakefield Council
Andrew Thomas	Lincolnshire County Council



ECMA

East Coast Main Line Authorities Officer Group Meeting
 11.00am to 13.30pm Wednesday 5th September 2018
 Boardroom, Nexus House, 33 St James Boulevard,
 Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4AX

Meeting notes and actions

Agenda no	Item	Action
1	<p>Welcome, introductions, apologies for absence and election of meeting Chair</p> <p>See below for attendance list</p> <p>In the absence of an officer from North Yorkshire County Council (the ECMA Chair's Authority), TM was elected meeting Chair unopposed.</p> <p>The meeting was quorate as there were representatives from all 4 ECMA regions present or participating.</p>	
2.	<p>Invited speakers/updates (subject to confirmation)</p> <p><u>Network Rail – Strategic Questions for the ECML</u> (DG on behalf of Rob Fairy, Network Rail) – please see powerpoint accompanying these notes.</p> <p>DG to ask Rob</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. whether the draft report due for publication in Summer 2018 has appeared yet b. for a contact name for Network Rail in Scotland for NF to follow up what pieces of work are happening in Scotland c. to present to Consortium on 14th November (with a Network Rail Scotland colleague) regarding the wider picture d. can the RIRG mailing list can be shared <p>All to contact the named person on each slide of the presentation in case of any further queries</p> <p>All to circulate details of individual contact with Network Rail</p> <p>AP to check with Jon Bell (Network Rail) what other pieces of work Network Rail are undertaking e.g. at Newark</p>	<p>DG</p> <p>NF</p> <p>All (if desired)</p> <p>All</p> <p>AP</p>

	<p><u>Alistair Young, Transport Scotland - High Speed Rail in Scotland</u> (verbal update from IC). There will be a second TfN East Coast roundtable discussion, probably in October, which will have a significant proportion of the agenda taken up with a detailed discussion about the proposals for development of Newcastle Station. This was referred to at the last ECMA meeting; the work is now all but complete and is all looking very achievable. DG to circulate details of the roundtable (likely to be November) and of the Newcastle Station Board</p> <p><u>Working together on ECML</u> (JR, DfT). Question – what do we want the ECML for? What is the priority? The correct version of the DfT ECML leaflet has been produced (giving the correct contact number for JR) and is circulated with these notes. Stevenage turnback – was included in the £780m for ECML announced by Theresa May on 23rd July. If work is done during Christmas 2019 blockade Network Rail can deliver in 2021 but if they have another blockade pre-Christmas 2020 they can deliver in 2020. All to give their views to JR. IC to draft a paper setting out what we want from East Coast Partnership</p> <p><u>Transition to LNER</u> (PD, LNER). Azumas due in service end of year. Some technical issues with train/track interface, signalling problems north of Doncaster. Not sure when they will reach Edinburgh. The 9-car bi-modes will enter service first, the HSTs will remain for longer than planned. Will save 4min Kings Cross-Leeds and 6min Kings Cross-Edinburgh. But will not be immediate timetable change, instead benefits will be felt with better punctuality. London to Leeds in 2 hours and to Edinburgh in 4 hours by early 2020s. LNER have been invited to early East Coast Partnership workshops, thoughts welcome from all. Will the Middlesbrough service start in 2020? This is really challenging, infrastructure works are needed. A decision will be taken in May 2020 on whether to go for it in May 2021 timetable. How is demand holding up? LNER are now seeing the growth Virgin wanted, but operational performance not good enough – PPM currently high 70s, it should be mid-80s. PD will update next meeting.</p> <p><u>HS2East update</u> (AP). The next HS2E event is 12th October 2018 at Newcastle Civic Centre (see page 6 of these notes for details). The hybrid Bill has been pushed back. It will allow for NPR connectivity but are things slipping? Will HS2E get into issues of connection with NPR? Is there a shared narrative we can articulate including HS Scotland? IC to refresh the 5 joint principles in a paper for next officer group and advise the Consortium. Richard Crabtree (WYCA) to invite Greengauge 21 to next consortium meeting (IC to add to agenda) and WYCA officers to do a critique of their report “Beyond HS2”</p>	<p>DG</p> <p>All (if desired) IC</p> <p>All (if desired)</p> <p>PD</p> <p>IC</p> <p>RC and other WYCA officers</p>
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	<u>King's Cross remodelling</u> (Ian Coe on behalf of Jo Slack, Network Rail). IC participated in further conference call 20 th September. Jo (and colleagues) to attend Consortium to provide update.	JS
3	Previous meeting notes See afternote on page 6 below for SEStran update.	
4	ECMA budget 2018/19 Report circulated with agenda was agreed. DP will pursue a possible contribution from Sheffield City Region.	DP
5	Systra research refresh Report circulated with agenda was agreed. It was noted that NELincs have a relationship with Systra. IC to contact NELincs. Can the work be done through an Exception to Tender following the original commission by City of York Council? IC to check with City of York including finding out the original commission and what they quoted for. What should the latest work do – just a refresh or address weaknesses, update infrastructure requirements and address ECML/Northern Powerhouse interaction and take account of a more pessimistic economic model? All to advise IC. Timescale – link in with rail industry process and post-Budget spending review?	IC IC All
6	Future direction of ECMA including Consortium meetings IC to circulate draft agenda for Consortium meeting to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LNER presentation - Network Rail presentations – ECML update (Rob Fairy) and Kings Cross remodelling (Jo Slack) - Greengauge 21 presentation - Transport Scotland presentation - Systra work – amended brief for approval - Budget update - Work programme so Elected Members can see what is happening - Discussion on East Coast Partnership – what do Members want? - Introduction on reaching consensus on future role of ECML. Three issues (1) strategic long-term role of route (2) what future services will be provided – freight and passenger (3) what are the infrastructure requirements to deliver these services 	IC

	Reports to be classified as to whether they are (1) decision (2) discussion (3) information	
7	<p>All Party Parliamentary Group update</p> <p>IC to draft a work programme</p>	IC
8	<p>AOB</p> <p>Agreed to co-opt the following non-voting, non-paying members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DfT - Network Rail - Transport Scotland - HS2East - Transport for the North - Midlands Connect - LNER - England's Economic Heartland - Scottish City Region Deals - Other train operators by specific invitation only 	
9	<p>Date, time and venue for future Consortium and Officers' Group meetings (note the Officers' Group on 5th December is 11.00am to 1.30pm, not as previously advised in some documents)</p> <p><u>Consortium (all welcome):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1.00pm to 3.30pm, Wednesday 14th November 2018, Council Chamber, Edinburgh City Chambers, 253 High Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1YJ. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served at 12.45pm. - June 2019 (to be decided) <p><u>Officers' Group (paid-up member Authorities and co-opted organisations only):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 11.00am to 1.30pm, Wednesday 5th December 2018, Boardroom, Nexus House, 33 St James Boulevard, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4AX 	

Attending (A) or dialling in (D)	
Ian Coe (IC)	North East Combined Authority (minutes) (A)
Derek Gittins (DG)	North East Combined Authority (A)
Niall Gardiner (NG)	Tactran (Tayside & Central Scotland Transport Partnership) (A)
Trevor Mason (TM)	Hertfordshire County Council (A)
Steve Payne (SP)	Tees Valley Combined Authority (A)
James Nutter (JN)	West Yorkshire Combined Authority (A)
John Reed (JR)	Department for Transport (A)
Phil Dawson (PD)	London North East Railway (A)
David Pownall (DP)	Doncaster Council (A)
Andrew Pritchard (AP)	East Midlands Councils (A)
Gavin Ball (GB)	Stevenage Borough Council (D)
Lewis Banks (LB)	Peterborough City Council (D)
Andrew Thomas (AT)	Lincolnshire County Council (D)
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