



November 2015  
Delivering Regeneration Together

## Welcome to the Cross River Partnership monthly e-bulletin

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### Freight TAILS meeting



CRP's successful URBACT-funded Freight TAILS project has completed its trans-national kick-off meeting in London. The project will develop Tailored Approaches to Innovative Logistics Solutions, sharing best practice between cities across Europe. Transport for London supported the project by presenting all of its latest freight plans to the partners.

The two-day kick-off meeting was interspersed by a project partner dinner, hosted by CRP's Board Co-Chair, Councillor George Gillon of the City of London Corporation. We were honoured to be joined by the Deputy Mayor and Councillors from our partner cities in Romania and Spain, as well as senior officers from our partner cities in Italy and The Netherlands.

For more information please contact CRP's Freight TAILS Project Co-ordinator:

## TfL's Freight Forum



TfL held another well-attended and stimulating Freight Forum on 6th November 2015. Hosted by the new Transport Commissioner, Mike Brown, the Forum underlined TfL's unstinting commitment to making freight deliveries in the capital safer, cleaner and more efficient.

CRP looks forward to continuing to work closely with TfL to implement its priorities, including via promoting co-ordinated retiming and consolidation schemes amongst its BID members.

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## FREVUE open to new project partner



The Freight Electric Vehicles in Urban Europe (FREVIEW) Project aims to prove that the current generation of electric vans and trucks offers a viable alternative to diesel vehicles. To ensure that the project is representative of the different electric freight vehicle types (from small car-derived vans to large 18 tonne goods vehicles), we would like to involve a manufacturer of larger vehicles of 7.5t and above.

Should you have suggestions or be interested yourself, please contact the FREVIEW Co-ordinator, Tanja Dalle-Muenchmeyer, on [tdmuenchmeyer@westminster.co.uk](mailto:tdmuenchmeyer@westminster.co.uk)

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## Welcoming CRP's Apprentice



CRP welcomes Branavan Sivarajah as the first CRP Apprentice. Branavan will be joining CRP on 23rd November to undertake a Level 3 Business Apprenticeship over a period of 18 months. Westminster City Council through 'City for All' is committed to helping young people into employment. The apprenticeship scheme is delivered in partnership with the London Apprenticeship Company and CRP is extremely pleased to be able to offer this opportunity. [Click here for more information...](#)

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## 'Walking the tube' map



TfL has released the first official 'walk the Tube' map for London, showing the walking times between central London's tube stations. 8 London Tube journeys are quicker (as well as cheaper and healthier!) on foot: Chancery Lane to Farringdon; Lancaster Gate to Paddington; Knightsbridge to Sloane Square; Blackfriars to Southwark; Charing Cross to Embankment; Leicester Square to Covent Garden; Aldgate to Aldgate East; and Bond Street to Oxford Circus. [Click here to see the map...](#)

## Recruit London Progression Success!



Congratulations to Africa who, after being helped into work by Recruit London in June 2015 has now passed her probation and been promoted to floor supervisor!

Africa had been out of work for over a year before she registered with Recruit London. We gave her training and support focused on the jobs available, before putting her forward to a role at New Look. After an interview and work trial Africa was offered the job as Sales Advisor.

As NWEK Workplace Coordinator Isabelle Benard was working closely with New Look on their recruitment, she was able to negotiate suitable hours for Africa which met her childcare needs, especially important as she is a lone parent. [Click here for more information...](#)

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## Markets Board for London





In October 2014 Cross River Partnership published [Sustainable Urban Markets - An Action Plan for London](#) setting out 28 proposals for improving street and covered markets in London as centres of enterprise and civic and cultural value.

One of the key recommendations of the SUM report was the creation of a Markets Board for London to provide a strategic level focus on markets in the capital; to cohere and build alliances of collaboration within an atomised sector that employs 7,000 people and turns over around £615m a year.

Positive steps were taken in July when the Association of London Markets agreed to support the creation of a Markets Board, working in partnership with the GLA, national representative bodies, private operators, CRP and others. A further step was taken in recent weeks as these parties came together to plot a course aimed at delivering a Markets Board in 2016. [Click here for more information...](#)

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## GLA BIDs research

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The London Enterprise Panel (LEP) and the Greater London Authority (GLA) have commissioned Future of London and Rocket Science to undertake a research project on London's Business Improvement Districts (BIDs). As the Capital approaches the Mayor's target of 50 BIDs by 2016, this GLA-commissioned project will take stock of achievements to date, assess the current state of BIDs in London and look ahead to **opportunities for BIDs to take a greater role in shaping London's future**.

[More information is available on their website](#)

Over the next two weeks, there are a number of focus groups taking place, for both BIDs and Local Authorities. There are also surveys to complete, either on-line or over the telephone.

To register interest in contributing to the research, please RSVP to: [events@futureoflondon.org.uk](mailto:events@futureoflondon.org.uk).

## Specialist Workplace Co-ordinator Event

### JOIN US LATER TODAY!

- find out why you should recruit residents with barriers to employment including disabilities and health conditions
- how this can benefit your business
- how we can help you
- other ways you can get involved (e.g. via work experience placements)

5:30pm-7pm  
Thursday 19th November  
Westminster City Hall  
64 Victoria Street

Please RSVP to:  
[skankasa@westminster.gov.uk](mailto:skankasa@westminster.gov.uk)

## UPS to host FREVUE London

### Stakeholder meeting

On 26th November 2015 UPS is kindly hosting the regular FREVUE London Stakeholder Meeting at its Kentish Town depot. The meeting will be a chance for delegates to see UPS' electric delivery

## Early Booking

A regional business continuity event is to be hosted just prior to Business Continuity Awareness Week, on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at Livery Hall, City of London Corporation**. This forms one objective of a wider working group that is chaired by Don Randall MBE.

The event will provide a platform for Local Authority Business Continuity leads and business networks (e.g. BIDs) to engage, and become participants, in a Business Continuity promotion initiative that aims to reach many micro and small businesses across the capital. The event itself will be promoted across the London Resilience Partnership and complemented by guidance materials as well as a targeted media campaign.

If you would like to book early for this event, please email:  
[alex.townsenddrake@london-fire.gov.uk](mailto:alex.townsenddrake@london-fire.gov.uk)

vehicles and the boosted charging arrangements that UPS have made in partnership with UKPN.

To find out more, please email CRP's FREVUE Co-ordinator:

[tdmuenchmeyer@westminster.gov.uk](mailto:tdmuenchmeyer@westminster.gov.uk)

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