Note of Cycle Rail Task Force Meeting held on 2nd September 2008 at ATOC

Present:

David Mapp ATOC Alex Veitch ATOC

Philip Darnton Cycling England (Chair)

Sharon Goodsell DfT

Martin Crowther Network Rail
Anthony Smith Passenger Focus

Ben Plowden TfL

Actions arising from meeting on 06.01.09

06.01.01 **BUSINESS CASE RESEARCH** 1.1 SD and AV updated the CRTF on the business case research proposals, and made suggestions for taking the work forward. 1.2 The CRTF approved the suggestion that SDG be selected, on the condition that they are able to reduce their costs to meet the available budget (40k). 1.3 If SDG are unwilling or unable to make their costs more competitive then either MVA or SQW will be selected for the work. 1.4 The CRTF also approved the suggested that Dr. Moshe Givoni of Oxford University be retained as an expert advisor to the steering group, subject to ATOC funding availability. 1.5 The funding mechanism will be a direct grant from DfT to ATOC to carry out the work, who will manage the project on behalf of Cycling England and the CRTF. 1.6 AS enquired whether the ambitious new target for the South Central franchise reduced the need to carry out this research. PD responded that while the franchise commitment was very welcome, it is still necessary to make a rational case for provision of more cycle spaces for future franchises. DM agreed, noting that in the current economic climate it is particularly important to have a robust business case when making funding proposals to TOCs. Actions: 1. AV to discuss costs with SDG and advise CRTF of the outcome. 2. AV to approach Dr. Givoni about his involvement "1 for 1" proposal 06.01.02 06.01.03 CHALLENGE FUND AND RELATED ISSUES 06.01.04 AOB **UPCOMING MEETINGS - TBC**