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Members' Meeting

Monday 19 November 2018 at 19:30

Hilton Garden Inn, Eastern Perimeter Road, Hounslow, London TW6 2SQ

Minutes / Action Points

Present

Neil Pegg City Circle (Chair of Meeting)

Paul Cowell Honorary member
Judy Dale Royale European
Andrew Jeakins Jeakins Coach Travel
Margaret l'Anson Chandlers Coach Travel

Keith McNally Confederation of Passenger Transport (CPT)

Andy Palmer Impact Group Ltd

Elaine Scrivens Southgate and Finchley Coaches Keith Scrivens Southgate and Finchley Coaches

Stephen Skinner Skinners of Oxted Stephen Spiller Centurion Travel

Andy Warrender Confederation of Passenger Transport (CPT)

Peter Bradley Director of Administration and Development - LTCOA

Guest

Darren Curd Wrightsure

1. Apologies for Absence

These were received from:

Jim Baxter London Pullman

Darren Brown Crawley Luxury Coaches
David Brown Crawley Luxury Coaches

Anthony Burkill LJ Edwards

Steve Griffiths South Mimms Travel

David Hull Wrightsure Tim Miles Westbus David Phillips London Minicoaches

Sarah Reilly Bliss Travel

Peter Rice Southgate and Finchley Coaches

Ivan ShearsChalfont CoachesMatt TaylorStewarts CoachesRichard TellingFalcon CoachesStephen TellingLTCOA Chairman

Ivan Thomas Edward Thomas and Son

2. Presentation by Darren Curd – Terrorism – an ever-present Threat

Darren said that the idea that "Terrorism" labelled events across mainland Europe involving a vehicle being used as a "tool of terror", had been brought into sharp focus after the Westminster Bridge attack here in the UK.

The Road Traffic Act provides for unlimited liability in the event of death and bodily injury and until 31 December 2018, there had never been a need to define Terrorism as the proximate cause of such death or bodily injury. As a result of the Westminster Bridge attack and unanimous agreement with the Insurance industry, any claim resulting in death or bodily injury and "labelled" as an act of Terrorism will, from 1 January 2019, be passed through to the Motor Insurance Bureau (MIB) and as part of the "levy" paid by insurers.

In addition, damage to Property (i.e. vehicle damage) will also be considered, however there appears to be uncertainty within the MIB and bearing in mind that some Motor products include damage as a result of Terrorism, some exclude it and various exclusions exist with non-conventional and self-insured risks.

Darren said that the following Insurers will, upon request, extend a Motor Fleet policy to include damage as a result of Terrorism, however it must be requested, it is not automatic – Unicorn, MS Amlin and QBE.

Whilst it is preferable that a PSV or HGV is not the subject of a future Terrorism incident, the uncertainty on what cover you enjoy not only exists with the vehicle itself, but could have a financial impact on the business. For example:

- What if a coach was directly or indirectly put out of service whilst your party was enjoying a west end show – what would the cost be for replacement transport?
- What if your coach was caught in a police cordon and held in situ for a week while investigations were carried out would you need to hire a replacement coach?

As a result of the uncertainty and potential for a Terrorism incident having a financial impact, Wrightsure has developed a new product and ready to go to market and to compliment your Motor Fleet policy with a wider, "Motor terrorism" policy.

A wide-ranging question and answer session followed and **Darren Curd** was warmly thanked for his presentation.

3. Minutes of previous meeting 14 May 2018

Agreed and signed by the Chair of the meeting

4. Matter arising from the minutes of 14 May 2018 not covered elsewhere

No items raised

5. Events for 2018/19

Christmas Dinner – Tuesday 4 December 2018

Peter Bradley reminded members of the Christmas Dinner to be held at The Pheasant in Harlington. There were still spaces if any members wanted to join those already going.

• 32nd Annual Dinner Dance – Saturday 2nd February 2019

Neil Pegg advised that arrangements were well in hand for the Dinner Dance and members would receive invitations shorty.

Meeting Programme for 2019

The 2019 meeting programme was being finalised and would be circulated to members as soon as possible.

6. Feedback from Clean Air Workshop

All those present said how good the workshop had been. There were a few updates to report:

- It understood that Green Urban, who were working on possible retrofit solutions had lost its accreditation. Further information would be sought to clarify the position.
- Eminox had recently confirmed that their Volvo B9R retrofit solution had been accredited; they are now working on a scheme for Volvo B11's.
- However, Stephen Skinner warned that many coach models, especially where there
 were limited numbers, would unlikely to have a retrofit solution in place by October
 2020

Neil Pegg said that the Association would look to provides regular updates to members in 2019.

7. TfL Update

Peter Bradley said that the last meeting with TfL had concentrated on the Ultra Low Emission Zone and the Red Route trial, phase two of which was now underway. Details had been circulated to members in a special edition of the LTCOA Newsletter. One member asked Peter to raise the issue of providing alternative coach by provision when regular bays were closed for roadworks or demonstrations, especially at weekends. Peter agreed to do so.

Peter also stated that TfL had recently announced that a further re-organisation was due to take place in 2019 with the possible loss of further jobs.

8. Any Other Business

Members who had attended the Autumn Trip to Spain asked for their appreciation to be passed onto Volvo. All agreed they had been very well looked after and that it had been an excellent trip.

9. Dates of Future Meetings

- Tuesday 4 December 18:45 for 19:15 LTCOA Christmas Dinner The Pheasant, 98 West End Lane, Harlington, UB3 5LX
- Monday 21 January 2019 at 19:30 Speaker to be confirmed Hilton Garden Inn, Eastern Perimeter Road, Hatton Cross, London, TW6 2SQ
- Saturday 2 February 2019 18:15 for 19:15 The LTCOA 32nd Annual Dinner Dance The Palace Suite, The Royal Garden Hotel, 2-24 Kensington High Street, W8 4PT
- Monday 4 March 2019 at 19:30 AGM and speaker to be confirmed Hilton Garden Inn, Eastern Perimeter Road, Hatton Cross, London, TW6 2SQ