

All-Party Parliamentary Group on Community Transport

Minutes of meeting – 23 October 2019

Held at Palace of Westminster, Westminster, London, SW1A 0AA

Present:

Robert Courts MP (Con)
Sir Vince Cable (Lib-Dem)
Susan Elan Jones MP (Lab)
Bill Grant MP (Con)
Peter Aldous MP (Con)
Sir Roger Gale (Con)

In attendance:

Bill Freeman, Chief Executive (CTA)
Suzanne Lau, Policy Executive (CTA)

1. EGM

Robert Courts was elected Chair
Lilian Greenwood was elected Officer
Bill Grant was elected Treasurer
Peter Aldous MP was elected Secretary
Sir Vince Cable was elected Officer

It was NOTED that the Community Transport Association (CTA) as a registered charity in England and Wales would continue providing secretariat support to the group.

2. Briefing on live issues in the community transport sector

Bill Freeman gave an update on the Department for Transport's new short distance exemption and explained how operators may be affected by it. He also gave a short overview on the process of the judicial review.

3. Future goals

The APPG agreed that it was still on track to produce a handbook of community transport organisations and case studies and that CTA will assist the committee to hold an evidence gathering session for a project on commissioning that the APPG will be steering.

- END -