



# SUGAR Good Practice Round Table

# London – freight activity and policy response

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## Agenda

- Background to TfL and London context
  - » politics and existing policy
- freight activity in London
  - » what we know about London freight
  - » the problems and the facts
- The London solution
  - » the London Freight Plan
- Update on key projects
- Summary













### **Transport for London**

• TfL Responsible for:

Buses, Underground, Docklands Light Railway, Tramlink, London River Services, Victoria Coach Station, Licensing & regulating Taxis & private hire trade, London Transport Museum

TfL manages 580 km of main roads and all 6,000+ traffic lights
 5% of Capital's Roads but carries 33% of London's traffic













Every day, about 30 million journeys are taken in Greater London:

- 6.3 million by bus
- 3 million by Tube
- 1.4 million by rail
- 150,000 on the DLR
- 11 million by car or motorcycle
- 7 million on foot
- 333,000 by bicycle













### Context

### **Growth in London: predictions for 2031**

- 1,250,000 more people
- 750,000 more jobs
- demand for goods & services to rise approximately 15%
- 10% decrease in road space availability

### **Sustainability Aims:**

- Support London's economic development
- Improve quality of life (road safety, noise, vibrations, etc)
- Reduce emissions and CO2













## Political Landscape – Policy framework

National Policy and Policy Guidance

Mayor's London Plan (Draft 2010)

### **Mayoral Strategies**

Transport, Municipal Waste Management, Energy; Economic Development; Ambient Noise, Air Quality, Biodiversity, Culture

### Mayoral Supplementary Planning Guidance

Industrial Capacity, Wharf Protection

Borough Local Development Frameworks

### Mayor / Boroughs Best Practice Guides

Travel Planning

London Freight Plan













## Political Landscape -Borough Structure

 33 Boroughs (Including the Corporation of London)

 Boroughs have wide ranging powers and responsibilities

- Planning Authorities
- Waste Authorities
- Traffic Authorities with enforcement power
- Responsible for environmental health (noise etc.)
- > Etc...
- Potential for harmonisation & standardisation











London Boroughs 2010



## Our definition of freight

**Freight** 



The carriage of goods by any mode



Servicing + Utilities

Generally involves light goods vehicles and vans



Waste



Movement of municipal domestic or business waste by *any mode* 















## Freight by mode

	Million tonnes	Percent
Road	137.0	88.0%
Rail	7.8	5.0%
Water (River)	8.7	5.6%
Water (Canals)	0.3	0.2%
Air	1.8	1.2%









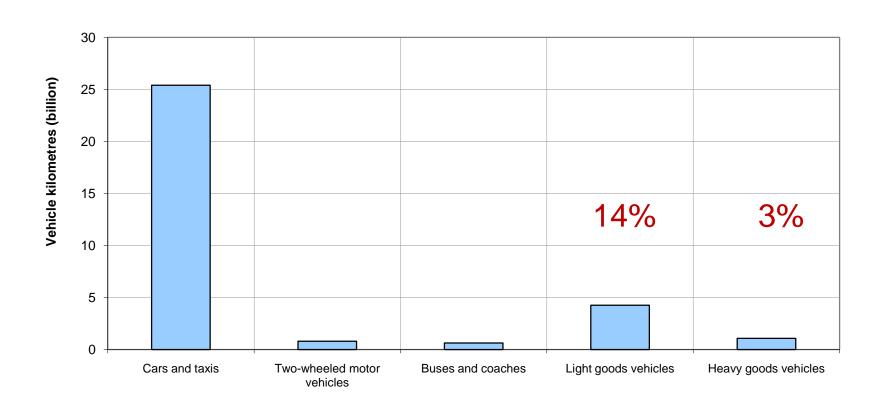








## Freight compared to other road users















## **Logistics Premises**



- Global supply chains
- National / Regional Centres v local hubs
- Intermodal facilities
- limited central locations
- Need for new property development solutions





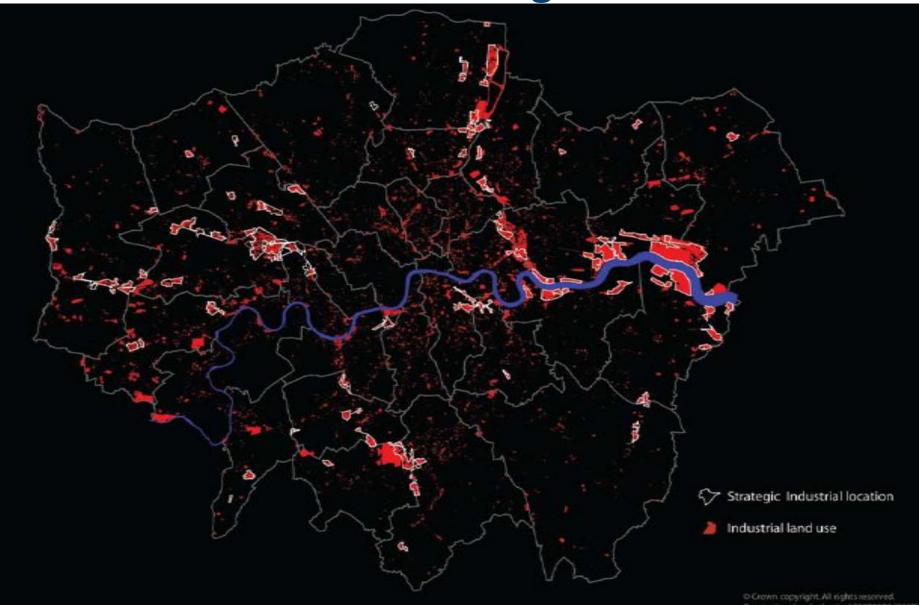






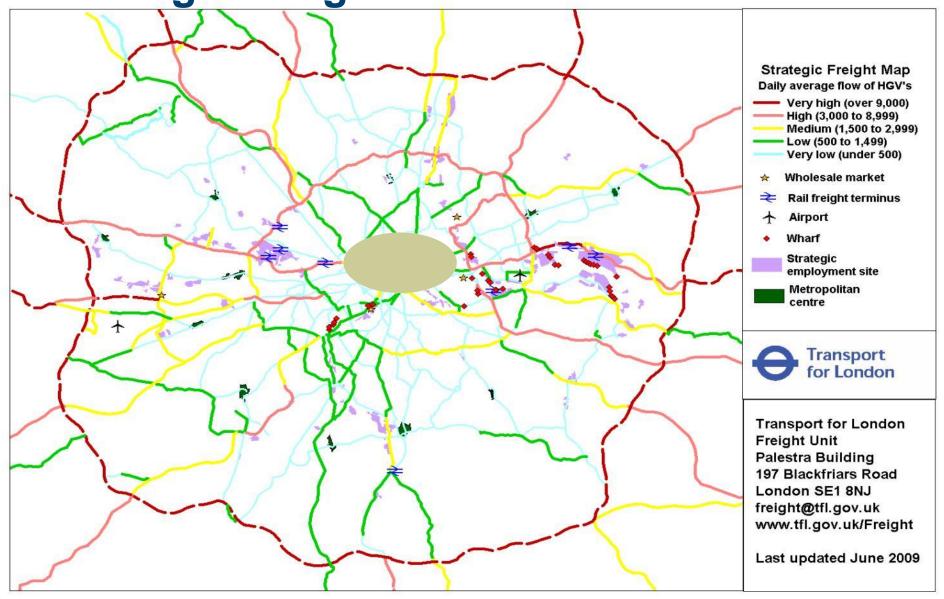


## **Land Use – Location of Logistics**



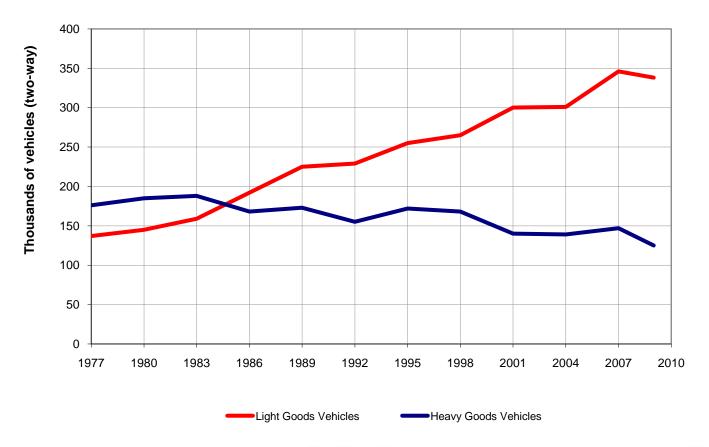


**Strategic Freight Routes** 





## Greater London boundary daily crossings (24 hour flows)







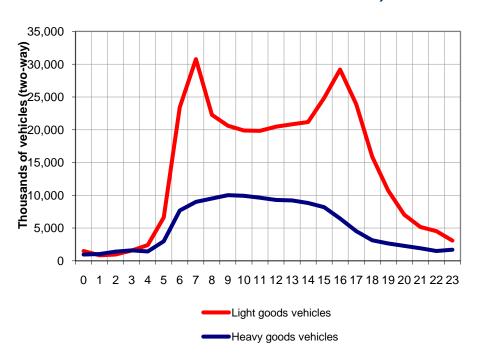




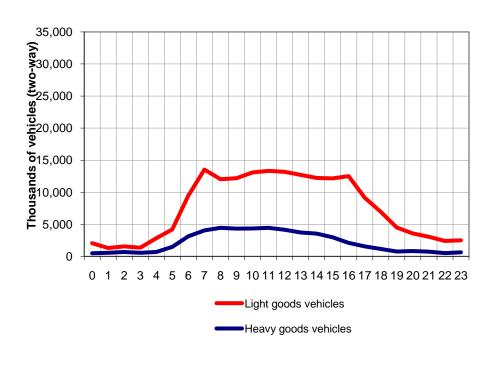


## Goods Vehicle by time of day

### **Greater London Boundary**



#### Central Area



Source: TfL, 2010





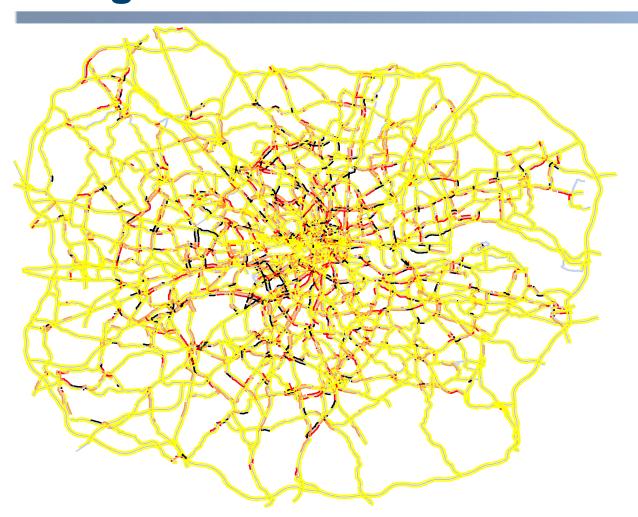








## Congestion



### Delay Measurement (mins per km)

Greater than 2

1.5 to 2

\_\_ 1 to 1.5

Less than 1

No Data

**Weekday AM Peaks** 





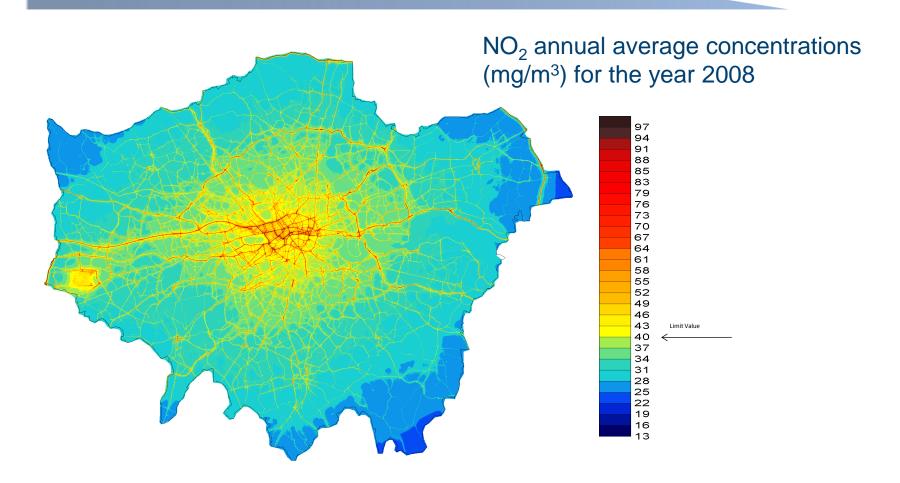








## **Air Quality**













## **Delivery**















## The London Freight Plan Sustainable freight distribution: a plan for London











## **Draft Freight Plan**

- ➤ Published June 2006
- > Focused on solutions:
  - » Modal shift
  - » Consolidation
  - » Driver training
  - » reducing fuel use
  - » Freight Quality Partnerships
- Public consultation
  - » Large variety of solutions required, likely to be costly















## Change of approach required

- Simplify the message to increase understanding
- Maximise the use of existing controls and regulations
- > Instead of solutions TfL to:
  - » Provide a framework to address freight
  - » Develop tools and techniques
  - » Promote best practice
  - » Consider the spatial and transport impacts
- > Stimulate interest!













## **London Freight Plan**

- 4 Key projects
- Freight Operator Recognition Scheme (FORS)
- Delivery & Servicing Plans (DSP)
- Construction Logistics Plans (CLP)
- Freight Information Portal (FIP)

Incorporated into TfL Business Plan (limited funding to 2017)







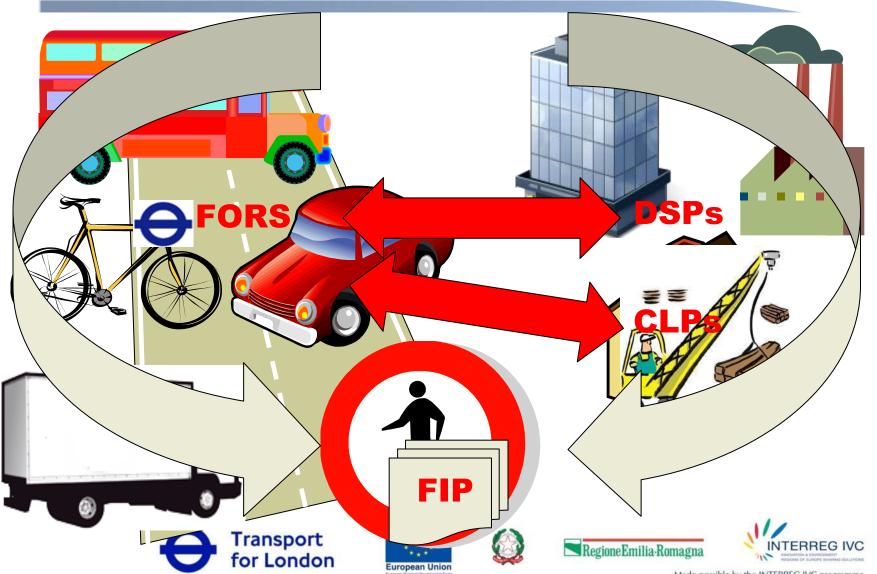








## **How the London Freight Plan works**





## Freight Operator Recognition Scheme

### Why?

- » Provide a recognised standard
- » Encourage improvements in behaviour
- » Easy to understand for policy makers
- » Two way engagement with operators

### Membership (26th November 2010)

- » Bronze<sup>+</sup> 296 companies, 46,510 vehicles, 1,101 depots
- » Additional 154 companies have applied

### In practice:

- » Proven to be a flexible scheme e.g. cycle safety
- » It's a new approach and therefore time intensive
- » Slow start solid foundation
- » In the process of defining Silver and Gold















### **DSPs** and **CLPs**

### Why?

A DSP/CLP provides a framework to manage the freight activity into and out of a location. Achieved through:

- 1) Corporate Social Responsibility (DSP)
  - » Voluntary, requires business engagement
- 2) Land Use Planning System (CLP & DSP)
  - » mandatory & enforceable
  - » Use of national and local legislation (Mayoral role)

### In practice:

- » 64/450 referred planning applications with a DSP & CLP
- » Framework DSP (Brent Cross 151 ha, 7,500 homes)
- » London Estates / Olympics / Cycle Superhighways
- » Need to develop more case studies
- » Further proof of DSP cost savings



#### TfL Palestra

- Overall Deliveries reduced by 20%
- 33% of deliveries FORS operators
- Cost savings, operators & businesses













## **Freight Information Portal**

### What?

- Provide central freight point of contact in London through a 'Gateway' website
  - » Hyperlinks
  - » cheap, simple to provide,
  - » develop 'brand'

### **Practice**

- Done!
- But needs increased content
  - » Case studies / best practice
  - » Freight map and journey planner (in development)
  - » Ideal would be London-wide joined up system



www.tfl.gov.uk/freight













### **Current Issues / Future Tasks**

### Our work is not done!

- ➤ Increase understanding of freight
- Data gathering / modelling (FiLM)
- Logistics land use
- Consolidation
- Modal switch
- > Electric Vehicles
- Out of hours activity
- Olympics

















## A summary of the London approach

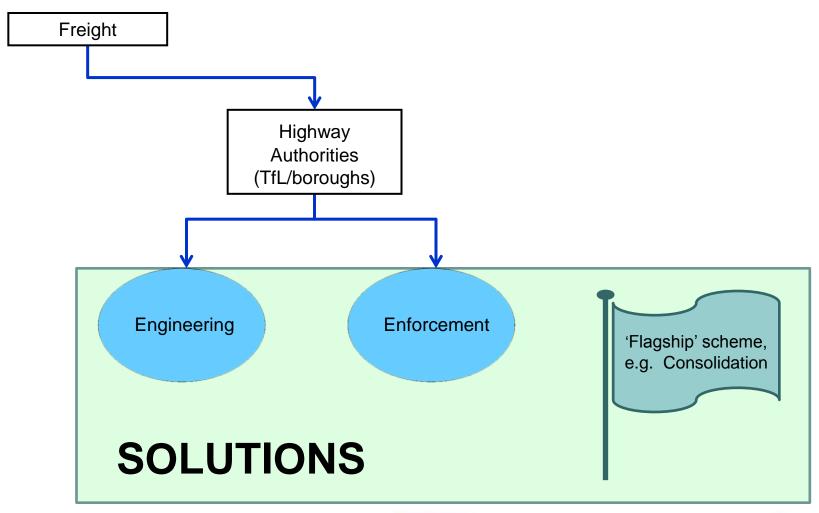








## The conventional approach





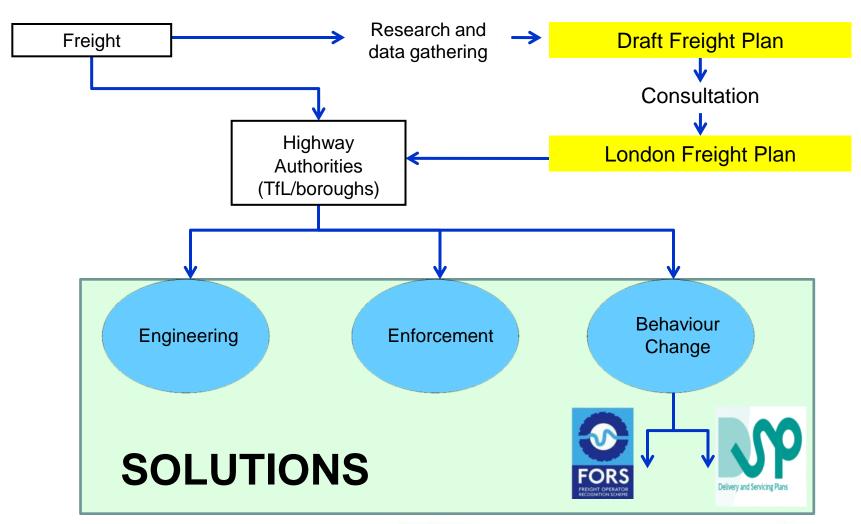








## The London approach













## Thank you

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