
NETWORK and VEHICLE CHANGE COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting No.21

held at Kings Cross on 16 March 2004

Present: Tony Holland (Chairman)
Steve Carter
Nick Gibbons
Bob Goundry
Peter Heubeck
Geoff Sandberg
Mike Scott
Mike Vila

Apologies: Nick Hortin

In attendance: Chris Blackman
Martin Shrubsole

21/1 Minutes of meeting no.20

The minutes of meeting no.20, held at Kings Cross on 17 February 2004, were approved subject to minor modification. The Chairman signed a copy of the minutes, duly modified, as a true record of the proceedings. A copy of the approved minutes will be circulated to all Industry Parties.

21/2 Record of Hearing of Reference no. NV55

The Record of Hearing of Reference no. NV55 on 17 February 2004, was approved subject to a number of minor modifications. The Chairman signed a copy of the Record, duly modified, as a true record of the proceedings. In accordance with procedures a copy of the approved Record will be circulated to members of the Committee and to the parties to the dispute.

21/3 Matters arising from the previous meeting

There were no matters arising.

21/4 Hearing of Reference no. NV57

The Committee formally heard joint reference NV57 from Network Rail. The determination NV57 of the Committee is attached.

21/5 Update on references

The Secretary reported that the position on outstanding references received was as follows:

- nv33 Although the Rail Regulator announced his decision in March 2003 to uphold an appeal referred by GNER written notice of his reasons has not yet been published. In the meantime the parties have reached terms of settlement and GNER has withdrawn its appeal. The Regulator has made no further comment nor given any detailed reason for his decision previously announced;
- nv54 A joint submission is awaited from ScotRail Railways and Network Rail on the subject of disputed revenue losses occasioned by Network Changes;
- nv58 Network Rail has notified its intention to refer an issue relating to a proposed Network Change at Ruscombe Up Goods loop; if unresolved a hearing will be scheduled in March or April;
- nv59 Network Rail has notified its intention to refer an issue relating to recovery of costs arising from the introduction of Class 170/334 rolling stock;
- nv60-68 A number of Train Operators have given notice of a reference relating to the WCRM Major Project Notice for Dec.2004 - Dec.2005; a hearing will be scheduled on 4/5 May.

21/6 Any Other Business

There was no other business.

21/7 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 20 April 2004.