MINUTES OF THE

100th Imtac MEETING

Date: 8th March 2012, The Mount Belfast

Present: Frank Caddy (Chair) Bert Bailie Elizabeth Black Ronnie Patterson Max O'Brien Etta Mann Barbara Fleming Francis Hughes June Best Ann Collins Norma Moore

Apologies:

Terry Butler Jim Nash Ryan Simpson Gavin Hamilton James Watson Des McAuley Andrew Murdock

- Observers: Naomi Roberts (Equality Commission Alan Preston (MIU, DRD) Gavin Hamilton (MIU, DRD) Olaf Hvattum (Age Sector Platform)
- Secretariat: Michael Lorimer Cathy Boyd

1 Minutes of last meeting

1.1 The minutes of the last meeting were agreed.

2 Matters arising

2.1 <u>Concessionary Fares Information</u>

Gavin informed members that the internal restructure within DRD would be complete by April and that this action could be taken forward then.

2.2 Members noted updates on AV on buses, Streets Ahead/Stem, Imtac review and Blue Badge surveys.

3 Working Group updates

- 3.1 Members received a briefing about three papers relating to the current Work Programme around flexible transport, travel training and driver licensing.
- 3.2 After lengthy discussions around each paper it was agreed that the flexible transport paper and travel training paper include the offer of support from Imtac to implement the recommendations. Members were asked to provide additional comments by the end of March.

All

4 DRD Update

- 4.1 Members received a brief update from officials around the internal restructuring within DRD.
- 4.2 Members received a brief overview of the current consultation around the latest action plan of the Accessible Transport Strategy. Frank asked members to provide comments to Michael by the end of March to help shape Imtac's response.

All

5 Draft 2012/2013 Work Programme

5.1 Members received a briefing on the first draft of the 2012/13 Imtac Work Programme. After discussion Frank asked members and officials from DRD to feedback comments **All** within the next two weeks.

6 Any other business

- 6.1 Michael updated members on two recent DRD publications, the publication of the final EQIA on Smartpass Ticketing and **Michael** a survey of Smartpass holders. Members asked that copies of both publications be sent out.
- 6.2 Members and officials from DRD paid tribute to Frank Caddy to mark his last meeting as Chairperson of Imtac.
- 6.3 Tributes were also paid to Andrew Murdock to mark his commitment to Imtac and Alan Preston from DRD who is leaving the Department.

7 Date of next meeting

7.1 The next meeting will be held on Thursday 7th June 2011 at 12.30pm in the Mount Belfast.