



BRANCH ANNUAL LECTURE

Monday 28 May 2012

Sunshine in May resulted in a busy weekend for Translink NI Railways. The sun continued to shine on the Monday morning when IRO members gathered to attend the Irish Branch Annual Lecture in Belfast. Mr John Doyle, General Manager of the Victoria Line, London Underground and a highly sought after speaker presented his highly acclaimed talk on "Managing Transportation Preparation for the Olympics and Paralympics 2012".

The audience, which included IRO members from both North and South of Ireland, listened as John began by outlining his subject. John presented an overview of the London Underground before going on to highlight the impact that both the Olympic and indeed the Paralympic Games would have on the public transport provisions in London. John's talk proved to be informative, thoroughly interesting and thought provoking. In a light hearted approach John captivated his audience and was willing to accommodate questions from the floor as and when they arose. Details and statistics were delivered on new trains procured, signalling upgrades and station improvements. With the Olympics to the forefront further information was relayed regarding the redeployment of staff and their change of roles as London welcomes the rest of the world.

Afterwards the IRO Chief Executive, Fiona Tordoff, a bubbly and infectious personality, brought proceedings to a close with an enthusiastic update on how the Institute has grown and how it can help members through the numerous academic routes on offer.

The Area Chair, Hilton Parr thanked all for the encouraging turnout and wished John and London Underground well with the implementation of their comprehensive plans for the Games. The world will be watching!



Location:

Training & Conference Room (above Enterprise Waiting Area)
PEARSE STATION
Wednesday 02 February 201