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**PRIORITY ORDER PAPER****Report No: 5****Subject: Questions to the Mayor****Report of: Executive Director Of Secretariat**

Questions not asked during Mayor's Question Time will be given a written response by  
Monday 20 July

**Making London's Mayor accountable****Question No: 2057 / 2009**[Mike Tuffrey](#)

In March 2008 you promised to make London's Mayor accountable. What more should you do to introduce openness and transparency in to City Hall's expenses and benefits framework?

**Travellers Site****Question No: 1975 / 2009**[Tony Arbour](#)

Does the Mayor plan to lobby the government to remove the targets for new travellers sites from the London Plan?

**Thames Gateway****Question No: 1746 / 2009**[Jenny Jones](#)

What additional transport infrastructure is needed in order for the Thames Gateway to reach its maximum potential as a sustainable regeneration area?

**Leadership****Question No: 1874 / 2009**[John Biggs](#)

Given your history, are you able to offer the right leadership to clamp down on abuse of the expenses framework?

## **Sharia Courts**

**Question No: 1833 / 2009**

[Richard Barnbrook](#)

Following the article in the Daily Mail naming 85 Sharia Courts in the UK, will the Mayor call on the Government to investigate the activities of Sharia Courts in London to assess whether their procedures would conflict with UK anti-discrimination law?

## **Olympic Route Network**

**Question No: 2000 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

What criteria does the Mayor deem appropriate to ascertain whether a specific road is suitable as a Zil Lane?

## **Industrial Base**

**Question No: 1963 / 2009**

[Len Duvall](#)

Would you like to see London broaden its industrial base and, if so, how do you intend to achieve this?

## **London's road networks**

**Question No: 2035 / 2009**

[Kit Malthouse](#)

To what extent do TfL actively manage London's road network on a real time basis?

## **Tamil Protestors**

**Question No: 1902 / 2009**

[Navin Shah](#)

Tamil protestors were accused recently of turning Parliament Square into a 'Shanty Town'. Do you agree with this statement from your Deputy Mayor for Policing? What do you value more defending human rights and saving lives or an insulting swipe at the protestors?

## **LDA Youth Funding**

**Question No: 1993 / 2009**

[James Cleverly](#)

How does LDA investment in youth opportunities and employment compare to programmes run by the government?

## **Olympic Land Cost Overspend**

**Question No: 1868 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

What failure in your leadership lay behind the reported £100m overspend on Olympic land costs?

## **National Housing Programme**

**Question No: 1984 / 2009**

[Steve O'Connell](#)

Further to reports that the Government is planning to take £22 million from the LDA's budget to fund its national housing programme, what proportion of this funding does the Mayor anticipate will return to London to fund the new affordable homes? Has the Government given any indication as to how many new homes will be built in London under this programme?

## **Engagement with rail industry**

**Question No: 2059 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What progress have you made in engaging with the train operating companies and with Network Rail?

## **Olympic Stadium**

**Question No: 2037 / 2009**

[Andrew Boff](#)

What is the cost of altering the size and layout of the stadium to increase its legacy capacity from 25,000 seats to 50,000?

## **Mayoral commitment to the voluntary and community sector**

**Question No: 2104 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

What is the Mayor going to actually do to fulfil his statement that "In such times, the public sector needs to reaffirm its support to the voluntary and community sector which helps provide vital local services"?

## **Payment to Celebrities**

**Question No: 2013 / 2009**

[Brian Coleman](#)

Will the Mayor list the individual amounts paid to celebrities for appearances, endorsements and media work by the core GLA, TfL, LFEPA and MPA during 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009?

## **Affordable Housing Stock**

**Question No: 1936 / 2009**

[Nicky Gavron](#)

What are you doing to monitor, maintain and increase London's level of affordable housing stock?

## **2010-11 Budget**

**Question No: 2020 / 2009**

[Roger Evans](#)

As Labour Group Members on the Assembly failed to produce an alternative budget for 2009-10, do you hope they will for 2010-11, especially in an election year when it's important for the Assembly's Labour Group to show the public what they would do instead?

## **LEZ Phase Three**

**Question No: 1957 / 2009**

[Len Duvall](#)

The third phase of the Low Emission Zone would have helped reduce harmful emissions that contribute to the deaths of 3,000 Londoners every year. Were the potential short-term economic benefits, which you have spectacularly failed to prove, measured against the effects, in terms of health, that its suspension continues to have? If not, why not? If so, why have you decided to put electorally attractive, short-term economic considerations before the health of Londoners?

## **South London Line**

**Question No: 2008 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

What formal responsibility does the Mayor have over the South London Line?

## **Smoothing the Traffic Debate**

**Question No: 1847 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

How will people who don't use the internet be able to participate in discussions about your "Smoothing the Traffic" proposals?

## **"Sit Stop" Scheme**

**Question No: 2048 / 2009**

[Victoria Borwick](#)

Recently you have supported the Community Toilet Scheme, which was introduced by the previous administration in Richmond Council, and is now available across London. Can I now ask you to lend your support to the "Sit Stop" scheme, which is being trialed in Richmond? This is a new initiative that allows people to sit and rest in any shop that displays the logo. This scheme has received very positive feedback and I am asking if you would give this scheme your support?

## **Minimum Wage**

**Question No: 1953 / 2009**

[Len Duvall](#)

Thank you for your response 1735/2009. Given that you failed to answer my simple question, can you please now explain why you have apparently changed your view of the minimum wage? For the sake of clarity, you once wrote that the minimum wage “puts up your costs and reduces your ability to reinvest” and would “palpably destroy jobs”. Yet, in June this year, you reportedly told the British Hospitality Association that “not only is it in the interest of individuals, but it’s in the interest of the businesses they serve. Workers should be paid the London Living Wage. Those businesses that do, enjoy greater loyalty and retention of staff and gain a range of long term efficiencies”. I welcome and accept that you are proud to have honoured your commitments on the London Living Wage, but, in the interests of openness and transparency, please now explain the reasons behind your change of heart.

## **Swine flu**

**Question No: 1992 / 2009**

[James Cleverly](#)

In the light of the increasing number of swine flu cases, what are you doing to encourage London businesses to develop contingency plans for high levels of staff absentees?

## **Guerrilla allotments**

**Question No: 1782 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Will you investigate how the City of London’s policy on providing guerrilla (temporary) allotments on sites awaiting development and other open spaces could be replicated across all London boroughs?

*[Note: The following is a priority question, but is not in proportional order.]*

## **Low Carbon Zones (1)**

**Question No: 1797 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can the Mayor please confirm if the £2-4 million funding for the Low Carbon Zones programme is coming from the LDA’s energy and waste budget? And, if so, is this new funding or has it been taken from another programme?

## **Questions for Written Answer**

### **Carbon pricing**

**Question No: 1747 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Do you agree that in order for London to meet its target of cutting carbon emissions by 60% by 2025, it is an absolute priority for the Mayor to work with national government to introduce a

comprehensive system of carbon pricing?

## **Olympic advertising**

**Question No: 1748 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Are you concerned about the breadth of the wording of the London Olympic Games and Paralympic Games Act 2006 regarding advertising? What input have you made to the ongoing formulation of the accompanying regulations, in order that this legislation does not inhibit free speech or protest?

## **London Food Strategy**

**Question No: 1749 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Is the London Food Strategy business plan available? Can you provide details of projects and allocated funding for 2009/10 and each subsequent year up to 2012/13?

## **Barking Riverside development**

**Question No: 1750 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Your answer to question 1417/2009 stated that without the approval of the Transport & Works Act Order for the Docklands Light railway extension, only 1,500 homes can be built and occupied at the Barking Riverside development. However press reports state that the London Thames Gateway Development Corporation and Barking and Dagenham have approved plans for 3,300 homes for the site. Can you explain this?

## **Anti-gang schemes**

**Question No: 1751 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you reassure me that concerns over whether you will continue the £60m funding to boroughs initiated by your predecessor to tackle youth crime are unfounded?

## **G20 policing**

**Question No: 1752 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Is it correct to say that any officer not correctly displaying their shoulder numbers is not legally in uniform? If this is the case, does a failure to correctly display shoulder numbers affect the legal basis allowing officers to use reasonable force?

## **Training for public order policing**

**Question No: 1753 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Do you believe that better public order training is the main action needed in response to concerns over the policing of the G20 protests?

## **Rape crisis centres (1)**

**Question No: 1754 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you confirm that your manifesto states that you would reduce the Mayor's budget for media and marketing by 20% in order to provide the £744,000 a year needed to fully fund 4 rape crisis centres in London – "Quite simply, we believe that it is more important to fund Rape Crisis Centres than press officers"?

## **Rape crisis centres (2)**

**Question No: 1755 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you confirm that you no longer believe that cutting the Mayor's media and marketing budget by 20% is the right way to find full funding for 4 rape crisis centres?

## **Rape policing (1)**

**Question No: 1756 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What is the most common first point of contact between a rape victim and the police?

## **Rape policing (2)**

**Question No: 1757 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What is the average length of time that it takes for a rape victim reporting their assault to meet a specialist rape officer?

## **Stop and search**

**Question No: 1759 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

How will the decision be taken on which sites are deemed to be of such an iconic nature and/or key strategic importance that Metropolitan Police officers deployed in the immediate area require the use of section 44 stop and search powers?

## **Crime on buses**

**Question No: 1760 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What are you doing to address the fact that whilst bus related crime fell by 18% from 2007/08 to 2008/09, over the same period sexual and drug offences on buses increased by 11% and 14% respectively?

## **Management of DNA profiles**

**Question No: 1761 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What response have you made to the UK Government's consultation on changes to the storing of DNA profiles?

## **Special constables (1)**

**Question No: 1762 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

How many special constables volunteered alongside Metropolitan Police Officers in 2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08, 2008/09, and the first quarter of 2009/10?

## **Special constables (2)**

**Question No: 1763 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

How many people started the training to become a special constable in 2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08, 2008/09, and the first quarter of 2009/10?

## **Special constables (3)**

**Question No: 1764 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

How many people left either special constable training or regular special constable duties in 2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08, 2008/09, and the first quarter of 2009/10?

## **Special constables (4)**

**Question No: 1765 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

How many organisations are participating in the scheme of Employer Supported Policing by giving their employees the time to train to become special constables with the Metropolitan Police Service?

## **Special constables (5)**

**Question No: 1766 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

How many Special Constables have been recruited and trained through the Employer Supported Policing scheme? Of these, how many were employed as police staff when they entered the scheme?

## **Child abuse investigations**

**Question No: 1767 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What work is underway to address criticisms of the Metropolitan Police Service's management of child abuse investigations following the case of Baby Peter? What is the timetable for identifying the specific changes needed and implementing them?

## **Green skills for planners**

**Question No: 1768 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What training is available to officers in the GLA's planning unit to enable them to stay fully up to date with the latest developments in sustainable planning?

## **East London Line progress**

**Question No: 1769 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What is the latest position of work to deliver a station on the East London Line at Surrey Canal Road?

## **Institutional private rented sector**

**Question No: 1770 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What impact do you expect the Home and Communities Agency's Private Rental Sector Initiative to have in London?

## **Housing investment**

**Question No: 1771 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What impact do you expect the additional £1.5bn housing investment from Government to have in London?

## **Council housing**

**Question No: 1772 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What impact would you expect allowing boroughs to retain all the income from the rent and sale of their housing to have in London?

## **Cycle training in schools (1)**

**Question No: 1773 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

I welcome the commitment contained in your answer to my question 928/2009, for all Year 6 children to receive Level 2 training by 2012. How much did it cost to provide cycle training to 27% of year 6 students in 2008/09 and how much will it cost to achieve the 2012 target?

## **Cycle training in schools (2)**

**Question No: 1774 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Thank you for your answer to my question 929/2009 which highlights the difficulties in guaranteeing any increase in cycle training in schools because of your decision to devolve the LIPS budgets. Will you ask Transport for London to agree an action plan with the boroughs to deliver your target of all year 6 students receiving cycle training by 2012?

## **Cycle lanes**

**Question No: 1775 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What progress have you made towards installing cycle lanes on Victoria Embankment?

## **Cycle parking at stations (1)**

**Question No: 1776 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

In response to my questions 1676/2008 and 2059/2009 you asked Transport for London to plan for all rail, DLR, and tube stations to be provided with adequate cycle parking by 2012 and confirmed that this would be a rolling program of improvement which anticipated growing demand. Can you provide a list of any detailed assessments carried out by Transport for London of the use of existing cycle parking facilities at all the tube, DLR and railways stations in London and their estimate of the further demand for bike parking at each of these individual stations?

## **Cycle parking at stations (2)**

**Question No: 1777 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What proportion of stations now have adequate cycle parking in your view? What proportion of stations will receive improved cycle parking by the end of this financial year, and what proportion of stations will be upgraded in each of the following two financial years? What is the total Transport for London budget for achieving your 2012 target?

## **Freight Operation Recognition scheme (1)**

**Question No: 1778 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What progress has been made in signing up boroughs to the Freight Operation Recognition Scheme since your answer to my question 206/2009?

## **Freight Operation Recognition scheme (2)**

**Question No: 1779 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

How will you ensure that the London Freight Plan target to sign up 75 per cent of Transport for London, Greater London Authority group, and boroughs' own and contracted fleets to FORS by spring 2010 will be met?

## **Transport interchanges**

**Question No: 1780 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you provide me with an update on the following list of locations where improvements to multi-modal interchanges are being reviewed by TfL in partnership with a range of operators, boroughs and other external agencies and developers, as stated in your answer to my question 53/2009?

- London Bridge
- West Croydon
- East Croydon
- Whitechapel
- Custom House
- Liverpool Street
- Highbury and Islington

- Tottenham Hale
- Abbey Wood

## **Public realm investment**

**Question No: 1781 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What was the 100 Public Spaces programme's budget for assisting with the design and feasibility assessment of public realm improvement projects in 2007/08 and 2009/10?

## **Congestion charging**

**Question No: 1783 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

By dropping the £25 emissions charging scheme, you left in place a system which gives free entry for hybrid vehicles whilst charging for lower emission cars which are powered by conventional internal combustion engines. Given that you have had a year to sort this out, what action are you now proposing to take?

## **Operation Reclaim (1)**

**Question No: 1784 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

How much of the anticipated surplus from Operation Reclaim in 2009/10 will be reinvested in capital projects to renovate existing car pounds and purchase new ones?

## **Operation Reclaim (2)**

**Question No: 1785 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Is the lack of police access to car pound space limiting borough operations to seize uninsured vehicles?

## **Operation Reclaim (3)**

**Question No: 1786 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

What level of annual seizures is estimated to be necessary in order to achieve a reduction in the culture of illegal driving in London? How will this be measured?

## **Benches at bus shelters**

**Question No: 1787 / 2009**

[Jenny Jones](#)

Will the Mayor consider banning the sloping red benches currently installed at bus shelters by TfL, due to their unsuitability for users who require a flat seat, such as those with mobility problems?

## **Sites of importance for nature conservation**

**Question No: 1788 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Are you concerned that London lost over 18 hectares of sites designated as being of importance for nature conservation, as stated in the 2009 London Plan Annual Monitoring Report? How will you address this in your revised London Plan?

## **London Underground pay**

**Question No: 1789 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Has London Underground decided to deduct pay or leave from around 500 staff who were unable to attend work on February 2 due to heavy snowfall, despite your promise that no staff in this situation would be penalised?

## **Hybrid buses**

**Question No: 1790 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

With all new buses being hybrids from 2012, what is the final date when the last conventional buses will be phased out and replaced?

## **Bendy buses**

**Question No: 1791 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What is the last possible date on which bendy buses will be running in London under the existing program of replacing them as the contracts are renegotiated?

## **New Routemaster**

**Question No: 1792 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

In your specification for building a new Routemaster, what specific minimum reduction have you stipulated in emissions of carbon dioxide, oxides of nitrogen, and particulate matter compared to a) a conventional bus, and b) a hybrid bus?

## **Economic data for the London Plan**

**Question No: 1793 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

When will you publish a finalised Economic Evidence Base for GLA Group Strategy Documents?

## **Energy efficiency**

**Question No: 1794 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What impact do you expect in London from the increase of the Government's Carbon Emissions Reduction Target (CERT) scheme and the introduction of a new Community Energy Saving Programme (CESP)?

## **Energy Display Devices**

**Question No: 1795 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

With reference to MQT 0022/2009, can you give me an update to any progress you have made in investigating the potential of rolling out across London the Lewisham project of libraries lending energy display devices to householders?

## **Homes retrofit scheme**

**Question No: 1796 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Given that the details of this scheme seem to have changed since its initial conception, can the Mayor please clarify if the Homes Retrofit programme will provide loft, cavity wall and/or solid wall insulation to homes, or if it will only provide the ten "easy measures"? Can the Mayor confirm if this insulation will be provided for free or subsidised?

## **Low Carbon Zones (2)**

**Question No: 1798 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Given the impending 31st July deadline, how many Low Carbon Zone applications have so far been received from the Boroughs?

## **Decentralised energy**

**Question No: 1799 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can the Mayor please confirm how much of the LDA energy and waste budget has been allocated to the energy master planning and decentralised energy programme in 2009-10, and over the four years it is intended to run 2009-2013?

## **Bio-fuel plants (1)**

**Question No: 1800 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you provide details of where your proposed 5 bio-fuel plants will be located?

## **Bio-fuel plants (2)**

**Question No: 1801 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will your bio-diesel refineries only be producing fuel from used cooking oil?

## **Bio-fuel plants (3)**

**Question No: 1802 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

When will more details be available regarding your plans to turn London's food waste into eco-fuel?

## **Belvedere incinerator (1)**

**Question No: 1803 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you give a breakdown of the anticipated increases in incineration rates of each of the Western Riverside Waste Authority Boroughs (Hammersmith & Fulham, Lambeth, Wandsworth, Kensington & Chelsea) following the 30 year contract that the waste authority signed with Cory to incinerate their waste in the Belvedere incinerator?

## **Belvedere incinerator (2)**

**Question No: 1804 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will additional incinerator capacity at Belvedere of half a million tonnes a year over the next 30 years be a disincentive for local authorities to invest in new advanced conversion waste facilities, such as anaerobic digesters?

## **Belvedere incinerator (3)**

**Question No: 1805 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will additional incinerator capacity at Belvedere of half a million tonnes a year over the next 30 years be a disincentive for local authorities to invest in new recycling and re-use facilities and increase their recycling and composting rates?

## **Belvedere incinerator (4)**

**Question No: 1806 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will additional incinerator capacity at Belvedere of half a million tonnes a year over the next 30 years be a disincentive for local authorities to develop waste reduction policies and measures?

## **Belvedere incinerator (5)**

**Question No: 1807 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What will be the carbon dioxide or equivalent emissions from burning half a million tonnes of waste a year at the Belvedere incinerator?

## **Olympic Legacy Directorate**

**Question No: 1808 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What further auditing of the London Development Agency's Olympic Legacy Directorate will be undertaken following reports that routine checks revealed a failure to make provisions of between £60m and £100m to compensate firms relocated from the main Olympic construction site?

## **Promote London Council**

**Question No: 1809 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can the Mayor please explain the decision not to include the promotion of London as a sustainable city nor encouraging investment in the low-carbon economy in the remit of the Promote London Council? And, similarly, can the Mayor explain the lack of representation of the environmental sector in the membership of the Promote London Council?

## **Retrofit Academy**

**Question No: 1810 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Is the Retrofit Academy training scheme on course to start in October 2009?

## **Hydroelectric generation on the Thames**

**Question No: 1811 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Given your pledge to investigate the feasibility of hydroelectric power for electricity generation on the Thames, can you please update me on the progress of this research?

## **Air pollution (1)**

**Question No: 1812 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

How many times is pollution from tyre and brake wear mentioned in the existing Air Quality Strategy, or in your own submission to the Government in response to its air quality action plan?

## **Air pollution (2)**

**Question No: 1813 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What proportion of central London PM10 transport emissions come from private cars' tyre and brake wear? Will the proposals in your draft transport Strategy lead to a net increase, or decrease in private car traffic in central London, prior to June 2011?

## **Air pollution (3)**

**Question No: 1814 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

As part of your Air Quality Strategy evaluation of the effectiveness of measures to reduce air pollution emissions in London, will you include the impact of abolishing the six monthly inspections of black cabs?

## **Air pollution (4)**

**Question No: 1815 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

In answer to question 0099/2009 you estimate that traffic changes brought about by the Western Extension led to a reduction in emissions from road traffic inside the extension zone of 2.5 percent for NOX and 4.2 percent for PM10. Did these estimates include emissions from tyre

and brake wear, based upon the calculations used in the 2004 London Air Emissions Inventory?

## **Air pollution (5)**

**Question No: 1816 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will your Air Quality Strategy include an assessment of the potential costs/benefits of re-introducing the half yearly inspection of black cabs?

## **Air pollution (6)**

**Question No: 1817 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

When answering my question 1406/2009, were you aware that the Olympic Delivery Authority has barely reached the point of an initial meeting with stakeholders concerning their pilot study into requiring contractors to fit their machines with particulate filters? Why does the ODA need a pilot when this technology is certified by the Energy Savings Trust and will be compulsory on all new machinery from 2011 onwards? Will you ask the ODA to skip the pilot and immediately require all contractors to fit exhaust filters?

## **Air pollution (7)**

**Question No: 1818 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Who is responsible for monitoring how many of the current construction sites in London follow the Best Practice Guidance for construction sites and require their machines to be fitted with exhaust filters?

## **Low Emission Zone (1)**

**Question No: 1819 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Given that the LEZ stage 3 has not yet been formally suspended and is included in Government plans to meet European Union limit values, have you or Transport for London sought legal advice on the need to publicise its existence?

## **Low Emission Zone (2)**

**Question No: 1820 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

Annex A on page 45 of the Transport for London document LEZ supplementary information Nov 2006, states that the LEZ stage 3 would have removed 106,000 people from areas which don't meet the European Commission's nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>) limit values and 17,000 people from the PM<sub>10</sub> limit values. More recent evidence provided by yourself to the U.K. Government and highlighted in Table 1.7 of the Assembly's recent report on air quality implies that from 2008 onwards, a further 171,000 would be removed from areas over PM<sub>10</sub> limits and 339,000 from areas over NO<sub>2</sub> limits by 2010, as a result of the cumulative effect of the LEZ, including stage 3. Can you name a single measure which would have a bigger impact than this by June 2011?

## **Olympic food (1)**

**Question No: 1821 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What progress has the London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games made towards developing a food strategy for the 2012 games? Are you happy with the timetable for this work?

## **Olympic food (2)**

**Question No: 1822 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What efforts have the Olympic Delivery Authority made towards providing healthy, seasonal, and locally sourced food for Olympic construction workers? Are you satisfied with this work?

## **Olympic sustainability partners**

**Question No: 1823 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What projects have been initiated by Olympic sustainability partners as part of their sponsorship of the 2012 Games?

## **Olympics and London Living Wage**

**Question No: 1824 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What proportion of all employees working on 2012 Olympic construction projects are being paid the London Living Wage?

## **Olympic transport (1)**

**Question No: 1825 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What proportion of all employees working on 2012 Olympic construction projects travel to work by public transport?

## **Olympic transport (2)**

**Question No: 1826 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What efforts are being made to reduce the environmental impact of vehicles travelling to, or working on, Olympic construction sites?

## **Active Spectator Programme**

**Question No: 1827 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What progress have the Olympic Delivery Authority, London Organising Committee of the Olympic Games, and Transport for London made towards securing funding for the Active Spectator Programme?

## **Olympics energy**

**Question No: 1828 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What proportion of the energy currently being used on Olympic construction projects is from renewable sources? Are you happy with this area of work?

## **Olympic construction waste (1)**

**Question No: 1829 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What proportion of Olympic construction waste from the main site is currently being reused?

## **Olympic construction waste (2)**

**Question No: 1830 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What proportion of Olympic construction waste from the main site is currently being recycled?

## **Olympic carbon footprint**

**Question No: 1831 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What progress has been made towards producing a carbon footprint for the London Olympic Games? Are you satisfied with how this work is being taken forwards?

## **Olympics energy**

**Question No: 1832 / 2009**

[Darren Johnson](#)

What progress is being made towards ensuring that the Olympic CHP Energy Centre will be powered by renewable fuels after the 2012 Games?

## **Elephant and Castle (1)**

**Question No: 1834 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Why did you not have the courtesy to advise me of your trip last year to the Elephant and Castle? I could have explained to you how to get there quickly and easily by bus - which would have saved the taxpayer £98! You could have actually used London's wonderful bus service amongst its friendly working people and pensioners, who I know would be pleased to see you.

## **Elephant and Castle (2)**

**Question No: 1835 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Shall we go together on the bus when we visit the Elephant in July? We will avoid going on a bendy bus as I know they upset you.

## **Bus passengers**

**Question No: 1836 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please reassure me that you do not share Margaret Thatcher's infamous and often quoted dismissive views on bus passengers?

## **Street Lighting Peckham**

**Question No: 1837 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

In 2003 a scheme was commissioned by TfL to replace street lighting along Peckham Road. Eleven columns were installed, however in June 2003 this scheme was put on hold for technical reasons. Last year, when chased, TfL said they would remove the duplicate columns by the end of July 2008. There has been no further work. Can TfL please commit to resolving this long-standing issue and stick to a timetable?

## **Bus Rides**

**Question No: 1838 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

In response to your answer to question 1632. You did not answer the question. Please list the bus routes you have used at least once in the last year?

## **Section 106 funding for Greenwich Waterfront Transit**

**Question No: 1839 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

With reference to your answer to question 1634. How is TfL going to spend the £3.3 m section 106 funding received towards the now abandoned GWT scheme?

## **Thames Estuary Airport**

**Question No: 1840 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

With reference to your answer to question 1649. Did Cllr Stephen Castle of Essex County Council or Cllr Alan Marsh of Kent County Council express support or opposition to your proposed new Thames Estuary Airport?

## **Downtown site adjacent to Russia Dock Woodlands, SE16**

**Question No: 1841 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Will you provide PDU staff to give evidence against these planning applications at the Planning Appeals which will be held this year?

## **Pedestrian Crossings (1)**

**Question No: 1842 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Approximately how many sets of traffic lights with a pedestrian phase have been reviewed since the instigation of your programme to 'smooth the traffic'? Please give figures up to the latest

possible reporting date. Of these

- a) How many pedestrian crossing lights of those reviewed have been re phased?
- b) Of these how many have a reduced number of pedestrian crossing phases per 1hr cycle?
- c) How many have fewer seconds of green man 'invitation to cross' phase per 1hr cycle?
- d) How many have increased numbers of total green man phases per 1hr cycle?
- e) How many have added time on to the green man phase per 1hr cycle?
- f) How many have added time to the blank/blacked out crossing time phase?
- g) How many have taken time off the blank crossing time phase?

## **Pedestrian Crossings (2)**

**Question No: 1843 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

How many public queries comments and complaints about signalled crossings did TfL receive from pedestrians in the period May 08 to April 09? Please add in those that came via Councillors, elected representatives and community and voluntary groups where they concern pedestrian facilities?

## **Pedestrian Crossings (3)**

**Question No: 1844 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

How many complaints about traffic lights were received by TfL from drivers or their organisational or elected representatives concerning the effect of signals upon drivers?

## **Police and civilian staff numbers for Lambeth and Southwark**

**Question No: 1845 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please lay out in a table:-

- a) How many full time equivalent police officers and PCSOs were actually working in each of these two boroughs at the beginning and end of the last financial year?
- b) Please do the same for the civilian staff?
- c) What do you expect these figures to be by the end of the current financial year?

## **Foreign trips**

**Question No: 1846 / 2009**

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

In response to your reply to question 1627. We have yet to receive the reply to this question "Please list your and your Mayoral Advisors foreign visits and overseas conferences undertaken during 2009? Please specify location, purpose and duration.

## **Pride**

**Question No: 1848 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

On what basis did you decide who to invite to the Pride reception on 29 June?

## **West Anglia Routes (1)**

**Question No: 1849 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Can the Mayor confirm that improvements to the West Anglia Routes remains a major strategic objective, delivering regeneration to the Lee Valley, as well as enhancing links to the City and Stratford?

## **West Anglia Routes (2)**

**Question No: 1850 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Can the Mayor outline what personal action he is taking to lobby for investment in the West Anglia Routes and the delivery of Metro-style services for the Upper Lee Valley?

## **Upper Lee Valley Opportunity Area Framework**

**Question No: 1851 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Can the Mayor confirm the timetable for the production of the Upper Lee Valley Opportunity Area Framework and comment on its importance for delivering the aspirations for the London Plan's largest Opportunity Area?

## **Highgate tube station**

**Question No: 1852 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Highgate tube station was recently shut down on Monday 15th June at 7pm due to rainfall. Can the Mayor explain why this occurred and why the recent extensive refurbishment work has not rectified the problem?

## **EU funding for Enfield (1)**

**Question No: 1853 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

How much EU funding, that is administered by the LDA, has been awarded to Enfield borough in the current financial year? How is this funding being spent?

## **EU funding for Enfield (2)**

**Question No: 1854 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

How much EU funding is earmarked to be spent in Enfield over the next two years? How is this funding to be spent?

## **EU funding for Haringey (1)**

**Question No: 1855 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

How much EU funding, that is administered by the LDA, has been awarded to Haringey borough in the current financial year? How is this funding being spent?

## **EU funding for Haringey (2)**

**Question No: 1856 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

How much EU funding is earmarked to be spent in Haringey over the next two years? How is this funding to be spent?

## **Bus stop seating (1)**

**Question No: 1857 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

A London resident with limited mobility has contacted me to complain that the sloping benches at bus stops make using the bus network very difficult, as they need to sit down whilst waiting for a bus and are unable to do so on the sloping benches. This is a real problem for many bus users. What is TfL going to do to alleviate this difficulty?

## **Bus stop seating (2)**

**Question No: 1858 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What work has TfL done regarding the use of sloped benches at bus stops to ensure that they are DDA compliant?

## **New Bus Route**

**Question No: 1859 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Local residents are campaigning for a bus service to link Wood Green and the Holloway Road via Wightman Road. A suggested route would be : MORRISON'S Carpark – Hornsey Park Road – New River Village/Campsbourne – Wightman/Alroy – Finsbury Park (Hornsey Gate) – Upper Tollington – Tollington Park Rd – Hornsey Rd – Tollington Rd – WAITROSE Carpark. Local residents believe this would suit shoppers, commuters as well as school pupils and visitors to Alexandra and Finsbury Parks. Can TfL please look into these proposals?

## **Seven Sisters Road/St. Ann's Road**

**Question No: 1860 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Previously I complained about the pigeon mess at the intersection of Seven Sisters and St Ann's Roads in Tottenham due to pigeons nesting in the overhead Network Rail Bridge (1783/2005). Subsequently Network Rail pigeon-proofed the bridge, and I organised a site visit with local residents, the NDC and TfL . Following this meeting TfL agreed to pigeon-proof the traffic/pedestrian controls in the vicinity. However at a recent visit to the site I was appalled to see that the traffic/pedestrian signals were in an appalling state again – the pigeon-proofing measures appeared to have been removed. Can they please be replaced as a matter of urgency as it is extremely unhygienic and unsightly?

## **Pigeon-Proofing Policy**

**Question No: 1861 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Do TfL have a policy regarding anti-pigeon measures at bridges on traffic/pedestrian signals to prevent the pavement and pelican crossings becoming unusable?

## **Frobisher Road j/w Green Lanes, N8**

**Question No: 1862 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Further to my Question 1679/2009 regarding the need for safe pedestrian crossings at this complex junction, I note that the signals at this junction are to be reviewed in the forthcoming year. Can you please ensure that TfL consult with me prior to undertaking their review at this junction as I would like to ensure that they hear the views of local users and nearby school?

## **London 2012 Olympics Employment**

**Question No: 1863 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

There has been recent news reporting that very few local residents have benefited from training and jobs on the Olympic sites. Are these reports correct? Can you provide details of how many jobs have been created and where these employees reside?

## **Olympic Stadium (1)**

**Question No: 1864 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Do you believe that the Olympic Stadium has been designed in such a way that a football or rugby team would be happy to use the facility after 2012?

## **Olympic Stadium (2)**

**Question No: 1865 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Are any corporate boxes included in the current stadium design?

## **Olympic Legacy Business Plans**

**Question No: 1866 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Are Olympic Legacy business plans being drawn up for each of the Olympic venues? If so, when will they be made public?

## **Olympic Legacy – Children's Sport**

**Question No: 1867 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What will be the Olympic sporting legacy for London's children? In particular, what will be the legacy for children with disability, many of whom are travelling out of London to access facilities which cater for their specific needs?

## **Expenses**

**Question No: 1870 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

Is it crass to spend almost £5,000 in one year on taxis?

## **Mayor's Media Team**

**Question No: 1871 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

How many posts (filled and unfilled) are there currently in the Mayor's media relations team?

## **Mayor's Media Team 2**

**Question No: 1872 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

How many posts (filled and unfilled) were there in the Mayor's media relations team for each of the years between 2000 and 2008? Please give separate figures for each year.

## **Londoner Posts**

**Question No: 1873 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

How many posts were allocated to work on the Londoner before it was scrapped?

## **Older People**

**Question No: 1875 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

Sixty of my older constituents in Dagenham face losing their day centre imminently because the recession-hit charity Age Concern can no longer afford to keep it running. This is the case for a number of older people's charities and community centres and I'm sure, given the absolute commitment to older people in your election manifesto, that you find this particularly distressing.

Please can you detail your funding proposals for older people's groups over the next few years? In light of your decision to close down the Older People's Resource Facility and the fact that the GLA's support to the London Older People's Strategy Group hangs in the balance given your proposal to delete officer posts that work directly with this group, can you explain how you intend to fulfill your manifesto commitment to support older Londoners?

## **Ending Rough Sleeping strategy**

**Question No: 1876 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

I note that there is a lot of talk in your strategy about 'high priority cases', in other words, rough sleepers who have dependents, have addictions to drugs and alcohol. I of course recognize the imperative of identifying these vulnerable cases and making sure that adequate support is provided. I wondered, though, if the London Delivery Board intend to influence the current protocol practiced by local councils which sees homeless people being refused emergency accommodation if they are single, childless, not dependent on drugs or alcohol and over the age of 25?

## **Civic participation**

**Question No: 1877 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

Given that the European elections saw such a low turnout, will you be carrying out any London-wide campaigns in the future to encourage voter participation?

## **Apprenticeships**

**Question No: 1878 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

You mentioned at last MQT your intention to persuade local boroughs and private sector businesses to offer apprenticeships – how do you propose to enforce this, especially within the private sector, and how many apprenticeships do you anticipate being created as a result of this initiative?

## **Cycle superhighways**

**Question No: 1879 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

Once your cycle superhighways come into existence, will motorcyclists be allowed the freedom to use these?

## **Borough influence over number of traveller sites**

**Question No: 1880 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

At the last MQT, you were warned of the potential risks of delegating too many housing decisions to local boroughs and reminded that your role as Mayor should be a more strategic one in this respect. Given that your housing team is currently adopting a similar policy with regard to letting boroughs negotiate about how many traveler sites they would like to construct, do you see yourself being potentially criticized for your lack of strategic leadership here too and can you see any possible problems with this approach and how this traditionally overlooked community might suffer as a result?

## **Extermination of bendy buses**

**Question No: 1881 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

Reports now state we will have to wait until 2015 to see this manifesto commitment realised. Can we expect such painstaking efficiency with all of your manifesto pledges?

## **Racist attacks**

**Question No: 1882 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

Did the 9.6% increase in racist attacks since last year play any role in your thinking that led to you deciding that anti-racism initiatives, such as the Rise Festival, are obsolete?

## **Paralympics Advisor**

**Question No: 1883 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

In your proposed restructure of the GLA, you have created a post called 'Senior Advisor – Paralympics' yet there is no mention of an advisor on disability. How would, for example, an issue about an inaccessible venue in West London be resolved when the only GLA officer specialized in disability issues was devoted purely to the Paralympic Games?

## **Air pollution at City Airport**

**Question No: 1884 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

Amid reports that staff at City Airport are experiencing health-related problems due to high levels of air pollution and as a result are commissioning a report into the standard of air quality, will you take the results of this report on board when considering where, if indeed you have to, expand air travel in London.

## **Closure of community centres**

**Question No: 1885 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

Would you agree that community centres are a good means to keep young people off the street and out of crime and to this end would you agree that it is lamentable to see many community centres having to close their doors as a result of the recession? How are you and your Time For Action team going to address this issue?

## **Alcohol ban for Roman Road market**

**Question No: 1886 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

Traders at Roman Road market recently presented 300 signatures to the Police requesting a ban on street drinking around the market, only to be told by Police that they didn't have the money to enforce such a ban. Are we to assume that you are concerned about reducing antisocial behaviour only on public transport and rather indifferent to it happening elsewhere?

## **Rise in alcohol consumption among Bangladeshi teenagers**

**Question No: 1887 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

The consumption of alcohol among Bangladeshi teenagers has increased six-fold since the beginning of the decade. What measures are your officers taking to involve Bangladeshi groups in the consultation on strategies such as Time For Action and the elusive Health Inequalities Strategy and can you list the Bangladeshi groups with which your officers have been consulting with so far?

## **Increase in crime over London during Tamil protests**

**Question No: 1888 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

It was reported that cases of serious violence rose by 30% and burglary by 7.3% during the 73day Tamil protest. Could the MPS not have organised themselves to allow adequate police support for the rest of London while the Tamil protest was being carried out? Could you have

exercised better leadership in this instance?

## **Cuts to ESOL funding (English for Speakers of Other languages)**

**Question No: 1889 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

As I'm sure you're aware, a number of higher education institutions are facing cutbacks. In a number of cases, particularly in Tower Hamlets, the courses that will be compromised are ESOL ones, with Tower Hamlets College set to lose half of its ESOL courses. Given your support for an amnesty for illegal migrants, what consideration have you given to the more 'social' factors, beyond the tax revenue brought by the regularisation of illegal migrants and the costs to public services? For example, would you agree that migrants to this country have further needs, such as support with learning English, and how do you propose this to be afforded when the number of (borough-funded) English language teaching facilities is already on the decline?

## **Illegal migrants and fair wages**

**Question No: 1890 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

Do you propose to expand your promotion of the London Living Wage to impact upon companies/sectors that traditionally employ illegal migrants so that, if illegal migrants are given amnesty, they could then be guaranteed a fair wage?

## **Prison**

**Question No: 1891 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

What is your current position on the proposed Dagenham Prison. Do you think a retreat is appropriate? Or at least a concession that the manner in which you and the Government promoted the proposal was inept and self-defeating?

## **Upney Station**

**Question No: 1892 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

In your reply to my question re Metronet 'descoping' you advised that the station refurbishment programme was to be slashed. My constituents in Barking complain that this means that Upney Station will remain a scruffy unkempt place, a potential magnet for crime. Can you give some crumb of hope to them that their wait for redecorations will not be long? When will these be carried out?

## **Story of London**

**Question No: 1893 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

How many events formed part of your Story of London festival and can you provide details of the number of people who participated in each event? Did the festival attract as many participants as you had hoped?

## **Olympic Ticketing**

**Question No: 1894 / 2009**

[John Biggs](#)

Will Londoners get concessionary ticket prices for the Olympic Games? When will you be able to make a comprehensive announcement on this?

## **Hall Farm Curve**

**Question No: 1895 / 2009**

[Jennette Arnold](#)

At the 2012 Games and beyond public meeting, questions were asked about reinstating the Hall Farm Curve and connecting Waltham Forest to Stratford. You responded by saying you would look into the feasibility of this option and would call on TfL to produce a detailed paper on this. Have you discussed this with TfL yet?

## **Hall Farm Curve (2)**

**Question No: 1896 / 2009**

[Jennette Arnold](#)

What will this new study add to the 2002 study into the same issue commissioned by Waltham Forest Council and funded by a £50,000 grant from TfL?

## **Hall Farm Curve (3)**

**Question No: 1897 / 2009**

[Jennette Arnold](#)

Considering the fact that the 2002 study found that reinstating the Curve would be relatively straightforward in engineering terms and that there are no major technical problems, would the only barrier for reinstatement be a lack of funding?

## **Velib Scheme**

**Question No: 1898 / 2009**

[Jennette Arnold](#)

In answer to my question 1309/2009, you said: "In locations where there are high pedestrian flows, TfL will carry out a level of service assessment." How will TfL determine where locations have high pedestrian flows?

## **Velib Scheme (2)**

**Question No: 1899 / 2009**

[Jennette Arnold](#)

Can you provide me with answer to the following questions raised by my constituent:

- 1) Please provide the sites where the service assessments have been undertaken to date?
- 2) What is the detailed methodology and threshold standard for interpreting these data and for drawing conclusions from them?
- 3) Will Velib site assessments be made available to the public via the website?
- 4) Locating Velib docking stations and cycle parking stands on the footway (or in locations where cyclists must cross over the footway) may mislead users to think that cycling on pavements is acceptable. Besides training, what physical steps will you be taking to

communicate to Velib users that cycling on the footway is unacceptable?

5) What enforcement plans will you put in place to identify and take action against those users found engaging in anti-social cycling on the footway?

## **Highbury & Islington Corner**

**Question No: 1900 / 2009**

[Jennette Arnold](#)

I welcome the news that TfL and Islington council are now working closely together to improve facilities at Highbury & Islington Corner. Will you be meeting with Arsenal to ensure a positive outcome in regards to the club's S106 obligation towards transport improvement at Highbury & Islington?

## **Olympic Legacy**

**Question No: 1901 / 2009**

[Jennette Arnold](#)

Do you support the suggestion that the Olympic Stadium should keep its 80,000 capacity to enable it to host the 2018 World Cup?

## **Chair of LFEPA**

**Question No: 1903 / 2009**

[Navin Shah](#)

Yet again the Chair of LFEPA has attracted headlines about his extensive use of taxis, with totals over £2,000 at LFEPA and over £1,900 at the London Assembly since April 2008. Are you comfortable with this or is this a source of embarrassment to you? How do you justify such expenditure to Londoners?

## **Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Month**

**Question No: 1904 / 2009**

[Navin Shah](#)

What have you done to support Gypsy, Roma and Traveller month, or do you agree with your esteemed LFEPA Chair that "This is a commuter who comes over from Ireland looking for work that should frankly stay put in Ireland?" Would you have a comment on this statement for my numerous Irish constituents in Brent?

## **Expenses**

**Question No: 1905 / 2009**

[Navin Shah](#)

Should a member of the public, or for that matter an Assembly Member, have any faith in the figures presented to the Audit Panel, given that your response to John Biggs last month suggests your taxi declarations were underreported to the degree of 58%. What effects do you think this has on

- a. The reputation of the Greater London Authority
- b. Your manifesto promises of transparency.

## **Polyclinic**

**Question No: 1906 / 2009**

[Navin Shah](#)

Do you welcome the new polyclinic at the Alexandra Avenue surgery in Western Harrow? As no GP surgeries are scheduled to close in Harrow as a result of this, do you accept that BMA and others' claims that "25% of GP surgeries will close as a result of polyclinics" is scandalous misinformation, and a prime example of the politics of fear?

## **Harrow Town Centre Regeneration**

**Question No: 1907 / 2009**

[Navin Shah](#)

How do you propose to aid Harrow Council's town centre regeneration plans, which currently stand in tatters due to your cancellation of Harrow-on-the-Hill access improvements and upgrade?

## **Support for Development**

**Question No: 1908 / 2009**

[Navin Shah](#)

Do you support these particular areas of the Brent Cross Cricklewood development

c. The very low level of affordable housing

d. The controversial proposals for a waste processing facility on the Edgware Road, popularly known as the 'dump' in Brent? How can you reassure Brent residents that the dump will not detriment their quality of life, particularly in terms of emissions and traffic?

e. A wasted opportunity to promote sustainable orbital transport in outer London? Does sending more buses around the North Circular constitute sustainable suburban orbital transport? Given that improving this is a manifesto commitment, why will TfL not engage on costings with the Campaign for Better Transport's proposals for a Brent Cross Light Rail Scheme? Given that the route runs parallel to a busy section of the North Circular, would the Mayor not argue that is a valuable but wasted opportunity to decrease car use in the suburbs?

## **Boundaries**

**Question No: 1909 / 2009**

[Navin Shah](#)

Many areas of London surround boundaries between local authorities. In these areas it can be common for local residents to feel neglected at the periphery of boroughs as the difficulties of combining differing priorities with co-operative working and policies often affect service delivery. Recently "The Curse of Kilburn", the divide between Camden and Brent along the Kilburn High Road has struck again over the matter of funding for Town Centre Managers. Given that borough boundaries also have implications for GLA services, most notably territorial policing, what role does the Mayor envision for the GLA as the strategic authority in overcoming the problems that surround these invisible walls?

## **Cyclists & air pollution**

**Question No: 1910 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Have you considered the valid concerns of cyclists regarding the negative effects of air pollution when you cancelled the mid-year emission test for black cabs and when you decided to suspend

the third phase of LEZ? What dialogue did you or you officers have with cycling groups on this?

### **Bike stations around Marylebone Station**

**Question No: 1911 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many bike stations and at which locations around Marylebone station will there be as a result of the first phase of the Bike hire scheme?

### **Bike Stations around Paddington Station**

**Question No: 1912 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many bike stations and at which locations around Paddington Station will there be as a result of the first phase of the bike hire scheme?

### **Bike Stations around Victoria Station**

**Question No: 1913 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many bike stations and at which locations around Victoria Station will there be as a result of the first phase of the bike hire scheme?

### **Bike Stations around Euston Station**

**Question No: 1914 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many bike stations and at which locations around Euston Station will there be as a result of the first phase of the bike hire scheme?

### **Bike Stations around King's Cross Station**

**Question No: 1915 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many bike stations and at which locations around King's Cross will there be as a result of the first phase of the bike hire scheme?

### **Bike Stations around St Pancras Station**

**Question No: 1916 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many bike stations and at which locations around St Pancras Station will there be as a result of the first phase of the bike hire scheme?

### **Bike Stations around Liverpool Street Station**

**Question No: 1917 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many bike stations and at which locations around Liverpool Street Station will there be as a result of the first phase of the bike hire scheme?

## **Bike Stations around Cannon Street Station**

**Question No: 1918 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many bike stations and at which locations around Cannon Street Station will there be as a result of the first phase of the bike hire scheme?

## **Bike Stations around London Bridge Station**

**Question No: 1919 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many bike stations and at which locations around London Bridge Station will there be as a result of the first phase of the bike hire scheme?

## **Bike Stations around Waterloo Station**

**Question No: 1920 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many bike stations and at which locations around Waterloo Station will there be as a result of the first phase of the bike hire scheme?

## **Waste Facilities**

**Question No: 1921 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many and what type of new waste facilities can we expect to be built and up and running by the end of your first term as Mayor?

## **Impact of Crossrail**

**Question No: 1922 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How much modal shift can we expect after Crossrail is operational, particularly in West London?

## **Crossrail Works**

**Question No: 1923 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

The Crossrail works will require 4,000 tonnes of excavated material and 600 tonnes of concrete tunnel lining to be passed through the Western Portal of the Crossrail works. What are you doing to ensure the transportation of these building materials and resultant debris does not adversely affect the quality of life of residents in Paddington and Bayswater?

## **Electric Vehicles**

**Question No: 1924 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

You want to see 100,000 electric vehicles in London, but by when? What is your timetable for this? How many electric vehicles will we have in London by what dates?

## **LEZ**

**Question No: 1925 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What advice did you receive and from whom prior to your decision to suspend phase III of the LEZ? What costs and benefits were considered and what did the analysis conclude? May I see this analysis and the advice you received?

## **Guitars**

**Question No: 1926 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Please list the type, age and models of any guitars donated by Sting in connection with the "No Strings Attached" or the "Go Buskers!" initiatives.

## **Policing Public Protests (1)**

**Question No: 1927 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Do you agree with the Home Affairs Select Committee that there should be "a public debate over the future of policing public protests"?

## **Policing Public Protests (2)**

**Question No: 1928 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Do you think untrained officers should be on the front line of policing protests?

## **Policing Public Protests (3)**

**Question No: 1929 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

How much training in policing a protest does PS officers get every year?

## **Policing Public Protests (4)**

**Question No: 1930 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Does the MPS have any plans to expand the public order tactics training and re-training programme?

## **Policing Public Protests (5)**

**Question No: 1931 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Do you agree with Sir Hugh Orde, the next president of the Association of Chief Police Officers, that human rights should be at the centre of policing protests?

## **Policing Public Protests (6)**

**Question No: 1932 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

How should the MPS seek to communicate with large crowds at future protests so that all protesters are fully aware about what actions the police are planning?

## **Local Based Business Advice and Support**

**Question No: 1933 / 2009**

[Navin Shah](#)

Would the Mayor agree that the decline in the numbers of new business starting to trade and register for VAT and the high numbers of businesses failing are directly linked to the cuts in funding and levels of support being able to be delivered by locally based business support organisations? Given the "Credit Crunched" report produced by the London Assembly, will there be any changes to the current strategy to release further funds to locally based business advice and support organisations in the foreseeable future which would bring support levels back to those witnessed in 2005/6?

## **Bakerloo Line Upgrade Postponed**

**Question No: 1934 / 2009**

[Navin Shah](#)

The Bakerloo line provides vital access to London Underground to many areas of my constituency, many of which have few alternative arterial transport links. As a link between town centres in Brent and Harrow, it also decreases reliance on the car in the suburbs as your manifesto claims you desire. The Bakerloo line is London's forgotten Tube Line, with some of the worst access and station atmospheres, poor CCTV coverage at stations and none on trains. We've now had the news the much-needed frequency improvements have been pushed back to 2020. If work starts then when do you envisage the Bakerloo line will be completed as fit for twenty-first century purpose? How would you defend this decision to my numerous constituents who now see no end to their slow and unreliable journeys?

## **Kick-Start Housing Programme**

**Question No: 1935 / 2009**

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Can you please provide a breakdown of the affordable homes provided in the schemes 'kick-started' through the HCA (stated in the answer to 1460 / 2009) by number of social rented homes, intermediate homes and by number of bedrooms for each tenure?

## **London Plan**

**Question No: 1937 / 2009**

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Do you believe that your vision, objectives and proposals contained in 'A New Plan for London' provide a strong, integrated, strategic direction for London over the next 20-25 years?

## **Affordable Homes 1**

**Question No: 1938 / 2009**

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Please explain what you meant when you promised to "build 50,000 more affordable homes by

2011" (page 2, Building a Better London)?

## **Affordable Homes 2**

**Question No: 1939 / 2009**

[Nicky Gavron](#)

How does your use of the word 'build' in your housing manifesto (cited in the above question) and differ from you use of the word 'delivering' in you answer to 1733 / 2009?

## **Affordable Homes 3**

**Question No: 1940 / 2009**

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Please explain what you meant when you wrote: "We will meet this challenge with a commitment to build 50,000 new affordable homes by 2011" (page 14, Building a Better London)

## **Affordable Homes 4**

**Question No: 1941 / 2009**

[Nicky Gavron](#)

In the answer to 1733 / 2009, you said, "if this target is achieved"; have you lost confidence in your ability to deliver this target?

## **First Steps**

**Question No: 1942 / 2009**

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Will homes available under your First Steps Scheme be in addition to the 50,000 affordable units you have promised?

## **Car Journeys**

**Question No: 1943 / 2009**

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Thank you for your answer 1655/2009. I accept that you "do not want to persecute private motorists". But would you like to see fewer car journeys in London by 2012?

## **London Plan – Wharves**

**Question No: 1944 / 2009**

[Nicky Gavron](#)

The Mayor will be aware of the years of careful study and negotiation that resulted in the safeguarding of wharf sites along the Thames. When will the Mayor realise that adopting his new pragmatic approach regarding the development of wharves in 'A New Plan for London' will mean opening the door to developers when London will clearly need these safeguarded wharves for river access, including the low energy handling of goods and materials among other uses?

## **Crossrail Construction I**

**Question No: 1945 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What measures are Crossrail taking to minimise the impact of construction traffic (and the associated pollution & congestion) on the roads around the West End and Paddington?

## **Crossrail Construction II**

**Question No: 1946 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Do Crossrail intend to make use of the London Canal Network to support the construction phase and if so what actions have they taken to ensure the necessary infrastructure is in place?

## **Taxi & Minicab CO2 Emissions**

**Question No: 1947 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

In 2007/08, 21,000 black cabs produced almost as much CO2 (249,000 tonnes against 250,000 tonnes) as 46,000 private hire vehicles. What lessons can be learnt from private hire vehicles on reducing CO2 emissions?

## **Taxi & Minicab PM10 Emissions**

**Question No: 1948 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

In 2007/08, 21,000 black cabs produced more PM10 emissions (51 tones against 44 tonnes) than 46,000 private hire vehicles. What lessons can be learnt from private hire vehicles on reducing PM10 emissions?

## **Taxi & Minicab NOx Emissions**

**Question No: 1949 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

In 2007/08, 21,000 black cabs produced more NOx emissions (698 tonnes against 635 tonnes) than 46,000 private hire vehicles. What lessons can be learnt from private hire vehicles on reducing NOx emissions?

## **Olympic Legacy**

**Question No: 1950 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

In light of the recent comments of Baroness Ford, where do you stand now on the future use of the stadium?

## **London's Energy Plan**

**Question No: 1951 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Which of London's energy suppliers have you met with to discuss London's energy master plan with?

## **Simcha on the Square**

**Question No: 1952 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

When the Muslim News interviewed you in September 2008 they raised “concerns that programmes like ‘Eid in the Square’, ‘Diwali in the Square’ held in Trafalgar Square and other faith based events would not be supported nor funded”. In reply, you assured them that you were “totally behind that” and would “support that completely”. Yet in the 12 June issue of the Jewish Chronicle we read: “Simcha on the Square, the annual celebration of Jewish culture in Trafalgar Square, has been cancelled this year because organisers have been unable to secure enough funding from the Greater London Authority.”

What is the reason for your failure to provide adequate funding to Simcha on the Square, and how is this compatible with the assurances you gave last September? Do you intend to continue funding ‘Eid in the Square’, ‘Diwali in the Square’ and other such events, or are they under threat too?

## **Bonuses**

**Question No: 1954 / 2009**

[Len Duvall](#)

Have any senior staff of the GLA Group received bonuses since April 2008? If so, please provide details.

## **Contact with the Telegraph Newspaper**

**Question No: 1955 / 2009**

[Len Duvall](#)

What contact have members of your senior staff, private office or media relations team had with the Telegraph Group regarding your regular column in the Telegraph newspaper? Please provide specific details.

## **Research underpinning your claims**

**Question No: 1956 / 2009**

[Len Duvall](#)

In your response 1735/2009 you stated that you “do not regret” your “intention to suspend the third phase of the LEZ given the impact it would have on small businesses at this time of economic uncertainty”. You reiterated this assertion in response 1329/2009 when you said that the costs of abatement or a new vehicle (which would have been required for the purpose of compliance) “could have tipped firms into receivership and caused job losses”. What data/research underpinned this claim?

## **Picking Winners**

**Question No: 1958 / 2009**

[Len Duvall](#)

One of your mantras is the importance of ‘not to picking winners’ in your economic policies. In “establishing an Electric Vehicle Partnership to support the greater up take of electric vehicles”(Written Answer 1726 / 2009) and suggesting that you will instruct the LDA to use its funding for environment programmes to “develop the electric vehicle market by delivering 25,000 charging points by 2015....encouraging early adoption by GLA group and others”(EDS proposals p.30), you’ve picked a winner in the form of the electric vehicle industry. Why does your golden rule of not picking winners not apply in this case?

## **Renewable Sources**

**Question No: 1959 / 2009**

[Len Duvall](#)

You are clearly supportive of the idea that electric vehicles can deliver large-scale emissions reductions in London. If the electricity that they run on does not come from decentralised, renewable sources their impact will be merely to move emissions elsewhere. How are you going to ensure that the electricity that will power London's electric vehicles will come from renewable resources?

## **Charging Points**

**Question No: 1960 / 2009**

[Len Duvall](#)

What economic benefits will Londoners derive from the implementation of 25,000 electric vehicle charging points?

## **Retrofitting**

**Question No: 1961 / 2009**

[Len Duvall](#)

Which would be of greater economic benefit to Londoners, retrofitting 60% of London's homes to the required energy efficiency standards or the implementation of 25,000 electric vehicle charging points?

## **Secretariat**

**Question No: 1962 / 2009**

[Len Duvall](#)

You propose to employ a full-time secretariat, based at City Hall, to "coordinate papers for board meetings and work with the promotional agencies and others on developing strategies, projects and any other specific initiatives advised by the Council [Promote London Council] and agreed by the Mayor". How many posts will be created at what cost to the GLA?

## **Woolwich River Bus Service**

**Question No: 1964 / 2009**

[Len Duvall](#)

On what grounds did you decide not to continue the subsidy for the Woolwich River Bus Service?

## **Thames Estuary Airport**

**Question No: 1965 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Can you give us an update on the feasibility study on your Thames Estuary Airport? I note that Doug Oakervee, who has been preparing this report for you, has now been appointed to a role with Laing O'Rourke in their Pacific Rim division. How will this appointment affect Mr Oakervee's work for you on the feasibility study?

## **Bakerloo line upgrade?**

**Question No: 1966 / 2009**

[Murad Qureshi](#)

In your response to MQT 1485/2009, acknowledging that the Bakerloo line resignalling has slipped 2 years, you stated that this is the limit of any permissible delay given the age of the current system and its need for renewal. Why then have you pushed back works on the Bakerloo line till 2020 in the recent new budget plan to the TfL Board for 3/4 of the Tube Network?

## **Proposed Bus Route Grange Park – North Middlesex Hospital**

**Question No: 1967 / 2009**

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Residents from Grange Park in Enfield are extremely frustrated at the lack of easy bus access from their area to the North Middlesex Hospital. This journey necessitates three bus journeys, and for local residents, particularly the elderly or those needing hospital treatment, it is a long and arduous journey. Would the Mayor ask TfL to investigate the request for a direct bus service between Grange Park and the North Middlesex Hospital, as this would be greatly beneficial to many local residents?

## **Cash Fares**

**Question No: 1968 / 2009**

[Tony Arbour](#)

Now that Oyster Cards and Freedom Passes are widely used on the Underground - what is the planned structure for cash fares?

## **Cycle bridge (1)**

**Question No: 1969 / 2009**

[Tony Arbour](#)

How does TfL justify spending £250,000 on a cycle bridge, at the Sheephouse Way / Knollmead crossing over the Hogsmill River, in a time of financial restraint?

## **Cycle bridge (2)**

**Question No: 1970 / 2009**

[Tony Arbour](#)

Can you provide a detailed breakdown of the £250,000 cost of the cycle bridge at the Sheephouse Way / Knollmead crossing of the Hogsmill River?

## **Cycle bridge (3)**

**Question No: 1971 / 2009**

[Tony Arbour](#)

Please provide a detailed breakdown of costs for the cycle bridge built in 2003 at the Surbiton Hill Park/Green Lane crossing of the Hogsmill River?

## **Kingston and Surbiton Stations**

**Question No: 1972 / 2009**

[Tony Arbour](#)

Have you received a response from your letter to Lord Adonis on 4 June 2009 regarding the rezoning of Kingston and Surbiton stations?

## **Health Inequalities**

**Question No: 1973 / 2009**

[Tony Arbour](#)

With life expectancy in Kingston, Richmond and Hounslow varying enormously, will your Health Inequalities Strategy aim to tackle inequalities that exist both between and within boroughs?

## **School roll projections**

**Question No: 1974 / 2009**

[Tony Arbour](#)

What is being done to ensure that the GLA's school roll projections, which are used by many boroughs to plan school places, will be more accurate in future years?

## **Selsdon Road bus crash**

**Question No: 1976 / 2009**

[Steve O'Connell](#)

On 5th June a 412 double decker bus had its roof sliced off as it drove under the low bridge spanning Selsdon Road, Croydon. This is not the first accident of its kind; in fact it is the 3rd time in 6 years that this has happened. I understand iBus should prevent this from happening but for some reason it did not do so. What measures can TfL take to prevent another potentially fatal incident?

## **Broad Green Policing**

**Question No: 1977 / 2009**

[Steve O'Connell](#)

There have recently been a number of violent incidents in the Broad Green area of north Croydon and residents are rightly concerned. Broad Green already has a Council Neighbourhood Enforcement Officer attached to the SNT, but what more can the MPS be doing to support residents by providing greater and more visible policing to the area?

## **Imperial Way cruise**

**Question No: 1978 / 2009**

[Steve O'Connell](#)

The car cruise has blighted the Imperial Way industrial estate for years with the Police undertaking occasional 6-8 week operations that clear the problem for a while before it returns again. This disruption to business attracts a lawless element with break-ins, criminal damage and a near fatal accident. Always held on Thursday night and Sunday afternoon, the Police could easily patrol the area, just as they would any other part of town, yet it is ignored, leaving the cruisers unchallenged. What are the Police going to do to finally prevent this cruise from happening?

## **Crystal Palace Gala Bingo Hall**

**Question No: 1979 / 2009**

[Steve O'Connell](#)

In terms of the investment being made in the National Stadium, the East London Line and the Crystal Palace Park, would the Mayor join with the community across the five boroughs at Crystal Palace and support the former Gala Bingo Hall becoming a cinema?

## **Kingsway Church**

**Question No: 1980 / 2009**

[Steve O'Connell](#)

Have the LDA or ODA played any part in advising Kingsway Church to relocate from land in East London needed for the Olympics to a new site in Church Road, Crystal Palace, formerly Gala Bingo Hall?

## **Kickstart Housing Programme**

**Question No: 1981 / 2009**

[Steve O'Connell](#)

What effect will the 2011 completion deadline, imposed by the Government, have on the Mayor's vital £400 million Kickstart housing scheme, and will the Mayor urge the Government to review this short-sighted approach?

## **Cherry Orchard Road**

**Question No: 1982 / 2009**

[Steve O'Connell](#)

The road works at this junction were originally due to start in March 2006 but were delayed until January 2008 because TfL had to relocate traffic signals and didn't. Once TfL did do the work and Croydon Council were finally free to start the work creating a bus lane funded by TfL, Thames Water decided to undertake nearby mains work that took months. Now that this is completed and the Council are completing their part of the project TfL have delayed its rephasing work on traffic and tram signals until August. This was originally 3 months work that has turned into 19 months and taken nearly 3 ½ years to complete. Do you think it acceptable for residents to wait 2 years for TfL to start their part of the work? Was it a case of TfL being over committed by the previous Mayor so that it couldn't meet its promises and would you agree that in cases like this TfL provide an unnecessary additional layer of bureaucracy that would be better served by allowing Councils to do this type of work themselves?

## **Freedom Pass**

**Question No: 1983 / 2009**

[Steve O'Connell](#)

Would the Mayor consider lobbying the DfT to make allowing the use of the Freedom Pass for 24 hours a day on mainline trains a contractual obligation for Train Operating Companies next time their contracts are negotiated?

## **Royal Mail Strike**

**Question No: 1985 / 2009**

[James Cleverly](#)

Will the Mayor condemn the strike by thousands of postal workers in London on 19th June,

which inconvenienced businesses and residents in the capital?

## **Blackwall Tunnel (1)**

**Question No: 1986 / 2009**

[James Cleverly](#)

Can the Mayor provide an update on any plans to reintroduce the Blackwall Tunnel tidal flow?

## **Blackwall Tunnel (2)**

**Question No: 1987 / 2009**

[James Cleverly](#)

What work has TfL been conducting to reduce the delays caused by accidents within the Blackwall Tunnel?

## **Crossrail Extension (1)**

**Question No: 1988 / 2009**

[James Cleverly](#)

Would the Mayor support the expansion of Crossrail to Ebbsfleet considering the social, economic and regeneration benefits it would provide in south east London?

## **Crossrail Extension (2)**

**Question No: 1989 / 2009**

[James Cleverly](#)

What would be the cost of extending Crossrail from Abbey Wood to Ebbsfleet?

## **Outer London**

**Question No: 1990 / 2009**

[James Cleverly](#)

How will you ensure that Outer London benefits from the Olympics, particularly through increased funding for sports participation?

## **Location of Bus Stops**

**Question No: 1991 / 2009**

[James Cleverly](#)

Will you instruct TfL to consult with residents before locating bus stops directly outside their homes, especially when the bus stop bay blocks driveways and prevents street parking?

## **Clapham Junction and Vauxhall Stations**

**Question No: 1994 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

In the response to question 1000/2009, TfL say that they are developing 'congestion relief solutions' for Clapham Junction and Vauxhall. What are the solutions being considered, what is the suggested timeframe for implementation, and how much is it likely to cost?

## **Oyster PAYG (1)**

**Question No: 1995 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

When do you expect the Department for Transport to publish a Fares Direction to enable Oyster PAYG to be introduced on mainline services in London?

## **Oyster PAYG (2)**

**Question No: 1996 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

Can you provide a date when Oyster PAYG will be available across the South West Trains network?

## **Stormont Road**

**Question No: 1997 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

Will you instruct TfL to speedily resolve the problem of rat running on Stormont Road in Wandsworth, particularly as I understand TfL now have results of a traffic survey of this area?

## **Sapphire Team**

**Question No: 1998 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

How will the changes to the organisation of the Sapphire Team improve the safety of women in Wandsworth?

## **Northern Line Extension**

**Question No: 1999 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

How confident is the Mayor that tax increment financing will allow TfL to extend the Northern Line to Battersea Power Station?

## **Olympic Route Network**

**Question No: 2001 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

Does the Mayor believe it is reasonable for the DfT's consultation on the Olympic Route Network to give no indication of for how long the use of individual roads will be denied to the Londoners whose taxes pay for them?

## **Olympic Route Network**

**Question No: 2002 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

Does the Mayor believe that 55,000 people, of whom less than a fifth are athletes, is a reasonable number of people within the Olympic family?

## **Oyster PAYG**

**Question No: 2003 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

Does the nationalisation of the East Coast Mainline represent an opportunity for the mayor to lobby for this Government-owned service to start accepting Oyster PAYG on the same terms as TfL?

## **DfT Budget Shortfall**

**Question No: 2004 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

In the light of the Government's £30bn transport funding shortfall, what assurances has the Mayor received from Lord Adonis that the Government will meet their share of Crossrail funding?

## **DfT Budget Shortfall**

**Question No: 2005 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

How confident is the Mayor that the Government's £30bn transport funding shortfall will not lead to the DfT short-changing London on vital transport upgrades?

## **DfT Budget Shortfall**

**Question No: 2007 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

Does the Mayor believe that the Government's £30bn transport funding shortfall further hardens the case for them to stop wasting money pursuing a third runway at Heathrow Airport?

## **Oystercards on Easyjet**

**Question No: 2009 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

We welcome the Mayor's recent announcement that Easyjet will sell Oystercards on its London bound flights. As domestic and international tourism is very important to London, can you confirm if similar discussions are on-going with other airlines and intercity train operators?

## **Sub-Surface Lines**

**Question No: 2010 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

Can you confirm that the invitation to tender for the critical sub-surface lines resignalling programme was tendered in July, as planned?

## **Electric Vehicles**

**Question No: 2011 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

Can you confirm that you are encouraging electric vehicles on a 'replacement' and not 'additional' basis, as clearly the latter will increase carbon emissions?

## **Statement of Intent**

**Question No: 2012 / 2009**

[Richard Tracey](#)

Your transport Statement of Intent rightly acknowledges that moving goods is essential to London. Could you confirm how the TfL Freight Unit's 50% cut in budget in 2010/11 compares with a) this aim and b) with the average budget cuts across TfL?

## **Payment for appearance in Trafalgar Square**

**Question No: 2014 / 2009**

[Brian Coleman](#)

What fee was charged by James Cracknell for his recent appearance in Trafalgar Square?

## **Camden Tube Station**

**Question No: 2015 / 2009**

[Brian Coleman](#)

From July to October the down escalator at Camden Town Station, one of the busiest tube stations in London, will be out of operation. In 2005 Transport for London lost its appeal to the office of the Deputy Prime Minister and their scheme to redevelop Camden Town Station was cancelled. Would the Mayor agree with me that the complete inadequacy of Camden Town Station is a savage indictment of this Government's failings?

## **Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee**

**Question No: 2016 / 2009**

[Brian Coleman](#)

Will the Mayor ensure that the wishes of Buckingham Palace are paramount when it comes to agreeing appropriate celebrations for Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee in 2012? Will he appreciate that Her Majesty, unlike the London Olympics, is universally popular and will he ensure that the Diamond Jubilee events are separate from the expensive and tacky Olympics?

## **Budget guidance (1)**

**Question No: 2017 / 2009**

[Roger Evans](#)

Your budget guidance for 2010-11 states that submissions are to be made based upon the existing indicative government grant settlement. What are the expected settlements for the GLA and functional bodies and have they been confirmed yet?

## **Budget guidance (2)**

**Question No: 2018 / 2009**

[Roger Evans](#)

In the budget guidance the 2010-11 guideline total of £3,250.1m is a 1.4% increase on the current year. This is the lowest guideline increase since the GLA's inception on a comparable basis. The figure is also £7.2m lower than in this year's consolidated budget plan. Will this continue to be the direction of travel for the budget and will it mean a reducing precept as so many people in London hope for?

## **Budget guidance (3)**

**Question No: 2019 / 2009**

[Roger Evans](#)

For the two years from 2011 your budget guidance asks functional bodies to provide accounts assuming both a cash freeze of the government grant and a reduction of 1.5%. What would be the impact upon the precept and the work of the GLA if the current Government did cut the grant, how detrimental would this be to London and how illustrative of the financial incompetence of this Government would you see not sufficiently funding the capital city and core powerhouse of the nations economy would this failure be?

## **ESOL**

**Question No: 2021 / 2009**

[Roger Evans](#)

Are you as disappointed as I am at the proposed cuts to the teaching of English as a second language (ESOL) at Tower Hamlets College? Given your strong record in speaking up for the importance of ESOL, will you take this opportunity to support the campaign against these cuts?

## **Gants Hill Roadworks**

**Question No: 2022 / 2009**

[Roger Evans](#)

Will the Mayor ensure that Transport for London give me a full briefing on the roadworks at Gants Hill Roundabout and will he offer my constituents an assurance that these will cause the minimum possible disruption to traffic?

## **Police numbers in Havering**

**Question No: 2023 / 2009**

[Roger Evans](#)

Can the Mayor offer my constituents an assurance that the current frontline policing strength in Havering will be maintained?

## **499 Bus Route**

**Question No: 2024 / 2009**

[Roger Evans](#)

I have been contacted by constituents complaining about frequent delays on the 499 bus route, which many of my constituents use to travel to the Queen's Hospital. Is TfL aware of these problems and what is being done to improve this service?

## **Woolwich Ferry**

**Question No: 2025 / 2009**

[Roger Evans](#)

With regard to his answer to question 1633/2009, can the Mayor update the Assembly on the reliability of this service since 8th June when a full service was restored?

## **Woolwich Ferry(2)**

**Question No: 2026 / 2009**

[Roger Evans](#)

With regard to his answer to question 1633/2009, can the Mayor provide an update on the timetable for the overhaul of the two remaining boats on the Woolwich ferry?

## **Hornchurch Station Flooding**

**Question No: 2027 / 2009**

[Roger Evans](#)

For several years the road outside Hornchurch Station has suffered from severe flooding after heavy rainfall. Recently the council cleared the drains but problems persist in the pipes on TfL and Network Rail land. Can you instruct TfL to clear their drains and reduce the risk of further flooding in Hornchurch?

## **Food waste (1)**

**Question No: 2028 / 2009**

[Gareth Bacon](#)

Further to the Mayor's announcement of a major new initiative to convert London's food waste into eco-fuel, will the Mayor ensure that full use is made of existing infrastructure, and that the expertise of existing fuel developers is fully utilised?

## **Food waste (2)**

**Question No: 2029 / 2009**

[Gareth Bacon](#)

Will the Mayor continue to ensure that GLA resources continue to be directed at worthwhile and practical environmental projects, such as the conversion of food waste into fuel, and the provision of electric vehicles and their infrastructure, rather than the political "gimmicks" which your predecessor appeared to use?

## **Westfield - light pollution**

**Question No: 2030 / 2009**

[Kit Malthouse](#)

Will the Mayor work harder to encourage large organisations, such as Westfield, to be more environmentally friendly and turn off lights when they are not needed?

## **Earls Court Road**

**Question No: 2031 / 2009**

[Kit Malthouse](#)

Can the Mayor outline what action TfL have taken to address the issues faced by Earls Court Road users?

## **TfL - rent increases**

**Question No: 2032 / 2009**

[Kit Malthouse](#)

Shop owners at St James Park Tube Station, have written to complain that TfL have increased

rent on their properties by £20k in some cases. Is this appropriate in the current economic climate?

## **TfL - PCN fines**

**Question No: 2033 / 2009**

[Kit Malthouse](#)

Please can you outline how many complaints TfL receive each year regarding incorrect PCNs? How many of these fines are consequently amended? How many late payment penalties have been issued to recipients of PCNs whilst they have written to appeal the original PCN?

## **TfL correspondence - response deadline**

**Question No: 2034 / 2009**

[Kit Malthouse](#)

How often do TfL meet their correspondence response target, when responding to correspondence from both Assembly Members and members of the public?

## **Andover Estate**

**Question No: 2036 / 2009**

[Andrew Boff](#)

Will the Mayor put pressure on Islington Council to bring forward the necessary security measures or put temporary measures in place to protect residents on the Andover Estate?

## **Regional Housing Pot**

**Question No: 2038 / 2009**

[Andrew Boff](#)

Is it right that taxpayer's money in the form of the Regional Housing Pot is funding family housing being located above the fourth floor of new developments?

## **Choice Based Lettings**

**Question No: 2039 / 2009**

[Andrew Boff](#)

Would you accept that choice based lettings systems for social housing only work if there is a sufficient range of choice?

## **Social Housing**

**Question No: 2040 / 2009**

[Andrew Boff](#)

In the social housing sector over 62,000 1&2 bedroom flats are overcrowded, yet your plans would see an extra 17,400 of them built as opposed to only 12,600 with 3 bedrooms or more. How do these proportions meet your aim to halve overcrowding by 2016?

## **North Circular**

**Question No: 2041 / 2009**

[Victoria Borwick](#)

Can the Mayor update the Assembly on the widening of the North Circular at Bowes Road and Telford Road, N11?

## **ORN**

**Question No: 2042 / 2009**

[Victoria Borwick](#)

Will the Olympic Route Network utilise bus lanes where possible, or will the Olympic Lanes exist alongside bus lanes?

## **ORN (2)**

**Question No: 2043 / 2009**

[Victoria Borwick](#)

Will all the vehicles using the Olympic Lanes be DDA compliant?

## **ORN (3)**

**Question No: 2044 / 2009**

[Victoria Borwick](#)

Will taxis (which are DDA compliant) be able to use the Olympic Lanes within the Olympic Route Network?

## **ORN (4)**

**Question No: 2045 / 2009**

[Victoria Borwick](#)

Will emergency vehicles be able to use the Olympic Lanes?

## **ORN (5)**

**Question No: 2046 / 2009**

[Victoria Borwick](#)

Could you clarify the role and current work in progress of the City Operating Group in relation to the Olympic Route Network?

## **ORN (6)**

**Question No: 2047 / 2009**

[Victoria Borwick](#)

What vehicles will be allowed to use the ORN and will they all be wheelchair compliant?

## **Ealing Council**

**Question No: 2049 / 2009**

[Richard Barnes](#)

Will the Mayor join with me in congratulating Ealing Council for winning the Municipal Journal's

Best Council award?

## **Refunds on Oyster after Tube strikes**

**Question No: 2050 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How many people have claimed at

<https://www.tfl.gov.uk/tfl/tickets/refunds/industrialaction/default.aspx?>

## **Routes H9/H10/H17/H18**

**Question No: 2051 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

When will the recommendation of London Travelwatch that routes H9/H10 and H17/H18, which are circular services, be implemented as the buses need better destination blinds on the vehicle than those that currently exist which only describe the destinations served as Harrow station?

## **Ticket checks**

**Question No: 2052 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

I have been asked by a constituent why was there was such a large bus ticket check undertaken at Oval Station on the first evening of the Tube strike on June 10th?

## **TfL Board Papers**

**Question No: 2053 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Do you think it acceptable that less than 48 hours before the meeting, the only Board paper up on TfL's website was the front sheet of the agenda? What will you do as Chair to ensure that all papers going to the TfL board are put up on the website 5 clear working days ahead of the meetings and hard copies distributed at the same time?

## **London's contribution to World Cup bid**

**Question No: 2054 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Who in the Mayor's Office agreed that the words 'London United' were appropriate to use as part of London's contribution to the 2018 World Cup bid, given that these words had previously been in a campaign after the 7/7 bombings in London?

## **Bus platforms**

**Question No: 2055 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Your latest report states that manufacturers are being asked to incorporate open platforms in the new design for a bus for London, but with an option to allow for the rear platform to be closed off at night. Isn't that called a door?

## **Deputy Mayor for Government and External Relations**

**Question No: 2056 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Can you confirm whether or not you intend to fill the position of Deputy Mayor for Government and External Relations? Your latest report to the Assembly says you are, your letter of June 30th to the Chief Executive is less clear.

## **Transport projects post 2017**

**Question No: 2058 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What major transport projects for London will you be asking TfL to develop funding bids for after the end of their current Business Plan in 2017 ?

## **West Brompton Station**

**Question No: 2060 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can LU provide a shelter along the platform for the District line to stop bunching on a small part of the platform at West Brompton Station, and paint the metal railings between the District and Overground services ?

## **Information on West London Line**

**Question No: 2061 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can TfL please arrange to provide full information at the West London Line stations of all London Overground, London Underground and national rail services available from the stations, and notice of service disruptions to all such services ?

## **Imperial Wharf Station**

**Question No: 2062 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

I understand that there are no shelters planned in the designs for the new Imperial Wharf Station? Why is this the case and can shelters be provided?

## **Restrictions on A316 Lower Mortlake Road, Richmond**

**Question No: 2063 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to your answer to my question 1099/2009, there appears to be something of a track record in this locality in recent years of measures introduced and then discarded by TfL wasting public money. What was the cost of the error described in your answer?

## **The Way forward**

**Question No: 2064 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

In your violence against women draft strategy, you call on the Government for action in a number of areas. What discussions have you had with Government, with whom and when to

discuss these issues so far, and what was the outcome?

## **Lead on Violence Against Women Strategy**

**Question No: 2065 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Ian Clement was to be the lead GLA officer working on some of the Violence Against Women Strategy, in particular around the funding of rape crisis provision. Who will now be taking over this important role now that he has departed?

## **Roadworks at Richmond Circus**

**Question No: 2066 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Although forthcoming roadworks at Richmond Circus had been announced by TfL as scheduled for early July, with the site office open for questions from 1-3 July, work appeared to have already started on 27 June with consequential severe congestion on the A316 westwards. Were motorists and residents appropriately notified about this work?

## **Philosophy on the Underground [1]**

**Question No: 2067 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

In view of the announcement on 24 June that Tube train drivers will be encouraged to include thought-provoking extracts from the words of Gandhi, Jean-Paul Sartre and Albert Einstein, please state whether any cost has been involved in this initiative, and whether London Underground employs staff to think up such initiatives?

## **Philosophy on the Underground [2]**

**Question No: 2068 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

If it is to become the practice for Tube train drivers to include words from world philosophers in their announcements, could London Underground at least ensure that the announcements are audible and distinct as currently they vary between being painfully loud or quiet to the point of being inaudible?

## **Planned closure of London Overground service [1]**

**Question No: 2069 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please explain the plans to close the North London Line between Gospel Oak and Stratford between January and April 2010, and itemise what work will be completed during the four months closure period.

## **Planned closure of London Overground service [2]**

**Question No: 2070 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please detail the alternative transport provision that will be made by TfL for the very large (and increasing) number of passengers who normally use the North London Line between Gospel Oak and Stratford during its planned closure from January to April 2010.

## **Cycle lane improvements: Hounslow**

**Question No: 2071 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Will TfL confirm that funding has been agreed for improvements to the cycle lanes between the A4/Boston Manor Rd and Gillette Corner where a cyclist was recently killed – specifically piloting giving cyclists right of way across the small roads joining the A4? What is the timetable for making a decision about this and carrying out the appropriate work?

## **Safer Neighbourhood Teams: special priority payments**

**Question No: 2072 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Is the senior management team in the Metropolitan Police considering making efficiency savings through the Safer Neighbourhood Teams losing special priority payments ? Since these teams are the bedrock of engagement and building public confidence in policing will you argue against this false economy, which may discourage officers from joining or staying with such teams ?

## **Red Routes: road markings**

**Question No: 2073 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can you ensure that all parking restrictions on Red Routes have red paint and not white on the road markings, in order to avoid confusion to visitors to London ? For example, in Putney just off the South Circular (Upper Richmond Road) two side roads, Gwendoline Avenue and Burston Road amongst others, have one side of the road correctly marked and the other not.

## **Tax increment financing**

**Question No: 2074 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Are you planning to propose that a scheme to extend the Northern Line to Battersea should be funded by Tax Increment Financing (TiF), and what do you see as the merits of this financing mechanism?

## **Salary deductions for Tube staff**

**Question No: 2075 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

On 9 February you told the 'Evening Standard' that you had "absolutely no intention of penalising anyone who failed to get to work due to last week's exceptional weather." Why, when other employers within the TfL 'family' have honoured your policy, have London Underground insisted on deducting a day's leave or pay from 500 staff who were genuinely unable to attend work ?

## **EDF safety issues in Lambeth**

**Question No: 2076 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What can you do to put pressure on EDF to cooperate with Transport for London and Lambeth Council to transfer power from a lighting stump on Kennington Oval (next to the cricket ground

and opposite the Oval House Theatre), which for some time has had only some yellow tape to protect the public from its live cables? Is EDF taking its safety responsibilities seriously?

## **Station announcements re TfL website**

**Question No: 2077 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

While it is appreciated that some mobile phone users can now access the internet from their phones, is it not frustrating for most passengers arriving at mainline rail stations to be advised over the tannoy to check the TfL website for service disruptions to the Tube? What action can you take to have announcements about the state of LU services made to passengers arriving at mainline rail stations?

## **Congestion charge paid by embassies**

**Question No: 2078 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please publish a table showing how much each embassy in London now owes to TfL in Congestion Charge and Penalty Charge Notices, showing where appropriate those embassies that do not owe anything?

## **Members' correspondence: box full**

**Question No: 2079 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How could it have been the case, on 15 June, that Assembly members sending questions to TfL's "Members' Correspondence" service received a standard reply that "the message could not be delivered because the recipient's mailbox is full"?

## **Extension of bus route no.63 to Honor Oak Park Station [1]**

**Question No: 2080 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What is TfL's estimate of the additional cost of extending bus route 63 (currently King's Cross to Forest Hill Tavern) to Honor Oak Park Station, and how does this compare with the estimated additional revenue that would be generated by such an extension ?

## **Extension of bus route no.63 to Honor Oak Park Station [2]**

**Question No: 2081 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Did the results of TfL's consultation with residents in Peckham Rye, East Dulwich, Forest Hill or Honor Oak about extending the 63 bus route to Honor Oak Park Station suggest that such an extension would attract significantly more passengers ?

## **Cyclist death in East Greenwich**

**Question No: 2082 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What action will you ask TfL to take in conjunction with Greenwich Council to improve safety for cyclists at the junction of A206 Woolwich Road and the southbound A102 in East Greenwich, described by the London Cycle Campaign as "wholly unsuitable for cyclists", following the tragic

death of Adrianna Skrzypiec, a cyclist killed there by a lorry on 15 May?

## **Maintenance of audible signals at pedestrian crossings**

**Question No: 2083 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What maintenance programme does Transport for London undertake to ensure that access facilities for blind people at pedestrian crossings of audible signals and/or rotating cones are properly maintained and fully functional?

## **Minimum access requirements at pedestrian crossings**

**Question No: 2084 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Does Transport for London have a work programme and a deadline to ensure that 100% of signalised pedestrian facilities throughout London meet the minimum access requirements for blind and visually impaired people?

## **Re-route of 336 bus route**

**Question No: 2085 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can TfL be asked to give serious consideration to re-routeing the 336 bus route (Catford Bridge-Locksbottom) so it is re-directed up Shroffold Road (where there is a doctor's surgery at the top of the hill, which elderly find hard to walk up to), and then down the entire length of Whitefoot Lane? There is considerable support for this proposal in the neighbourhood.

## **Co-ordination of weekend engineering work**

**Question No: 2086 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Residents report that there have been occasions in Greenwich in the past year when Jubilee Line, Docklands Light Railway and Network Rail services have all been affected simultaneously by weekend engineering works. Who is responsible for ensuring the maximum degree of co-ordination to minimise this, particularly ensuring that Transport for London is speaking to South-Eastern trains?

## **Bus stop outside Woolwich Arsenal Station**

**Question No: 2087 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

For some time now there has been a temporary bus stop outside Woolwich Arsenal Station which gives no countdown information for travellers and is unclear even as to which buses stop at it. When will a normal bus stop be restored at this busy transport interchange?

## **Withdrawal of Anglesea Arms bus stop, Woolwich**

**Question No: 2088 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Why has the bus stop outside the Anglesea Arms in Woolwich New Road been removed? (Stop K on Woolwich Town Centre maps). This creates an unusually long gap between stops and inconveniences passengers wishing to take the 122 or 161 towards Eltham.

## **Heaters on Buses**

**Question No: 2089 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What conversations did you have with Transport for London during the recent heatwave, instructing them to ensure all heaters on buses were turned off. With who did you speak and when?

## **Stonewall Equality Index**

**Question No: 2090 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

Will you ensure that the GLA is entered into the Stonewall Equality Index this year (deadline 4th September), unlike last year when "it was felt that the GLA was not best placed to enter the Stonewall validation process over this time of change in political leadership" (MQT 0054/2009)?

## **Events in London**

**Question No: 2091 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

How are decisions reached about whether the GLA or the LDA will fund an event in London? For example, why does the LDA fund St Patrick's Day and Chinese New Year, and yet the GLA funds St George's Day and the London Mela?

## **Met Collection**

**Question No: 2092 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

Do you think it is right that anybody with a full-time job should have to take holiday from work in order to explore the Met Collection, since the opening hours are 10am – 4pm Monday to Friday? What market is this collection aimed at, and how is its existence being advertised?

## **Unemployed young people**

**Question No: 2093 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

There has been a 74% increase in the number of 20-29 year olds in London claiming Jobseekers Allowance in the last year, higher than for any other age group. What specific plans do you have to address rising unemployment for young people?

## **Translating services**

**Question No: 2094 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

How much is spent by each of the following bodies on a) translators/ interpreters, b) translating services for written documents (including electronic):

GLA, LDA, TfL, MPS, MPA, LFEPA

## **s.44 Stop and Search**

**Question No: 2095 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

As Chair of the MPA as well as the Mayor of London, what is your reaction to the latest report by Lord Carlile into the operation of the Terrorism Acts, which criticises the MPS's use of s.44 Stop and Search, stating that some searches were "unmerited" and "almost certainly unlawful"? Have you discussed this with the Commissioner and what action if any is being taken?

## **LDA loan fund**

**Question No: 2096 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

Following the launch of the LDA's £3 million loan fund to support small businesses in the capital, will you consider extending this to support new start-up businesses in the future, rather than only to companies which have been trading for at least a year?

## **Disability recruitment**

**Question No: 2097 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

What are the numerical and percentage targets for recruiting people with disabilities for the years 2009/10, 2010/11 and 2011/12 for the ODA, LOCOG, LDA?

## **MPS Vacancy Rates**

**Question No: 2098 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

For each of the MPS's Operational Command Units please give the vacancy rates for each rank (including PCSOs and MSCs) as at 31st March, for each of the years 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009.

## **MPS secondments**

**Question No: 2099 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

How many officers and staff within the MPS are being paid for by other agencies, either directly or indirectly through reimbursement of their salaries? Please list these broken down by the relevant agency, stating what their current role is, what their previous position had been within the MPS, and how long the secondment is likely to last.

## **Media parking for the 2012 Games**

**Question No: 2100 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

Following your answer 1519/2009 can you give a categorical assurance that none of the 1200 parking spaces will be used by journalists' private cars?

## **LDA consultation on academies**

**Question No: 2101 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

What is the LDA's budget for consultation on potential sites for LDA sponsored academies?

## **LDA commissioning of contracts**

**Question No: 2102 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

When the LDA has fully embedded its new commissioning framework, what do you envisage to be the average size of contracts you will procure? What are likely to be the largest and smallest size of contracts you will commission?

## **LDA consultants**

**Question No: 2103 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

Can you let me have the number of consultants employed by the LDA and the total value of consultant fees over the last three financial years, by year, and whether any of the consultants were previous employees (and if so how many)?

## **Impact of the recession on mental health**

**Question No: 2105 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

As a result of the "We're in it together" conference earlier this year, at which your Policy Director spoke, it was agreed that a cross sectoral group would be set up to undertake work forecasting the future impact on the voluntary and community sector of the recession, in dealing, for instance, with the lag in increased demand for employment support services or mental health services? Would you be prepared to allocate GLA staff time and resources to help progress this work?

## **LDA commissioning (2)**

**Question No: 2106 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

Government guidance suggests commissioning organisations need to ensure that there is an appropriate market in place before procuring services at the end of a commissioning process. Will you ask the LDA to engage with the voluntary and community sector to ensure that there are the appropriate structures in place to enable the VCS to compete effectively for such contracts as part of a developed market?

## **GLA staff numbers**

**Question No: 2107 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

As at June 30th 2009 how many staff were employed by the Greater London Authority in City Hall?

## **GLA staff numbers(2)**

**Question No: 2108 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

As of December 31st 2009, how many staff will be employed by the Greater London Authority at City Hall?

## **GLA establishment**

**Question No: 2109 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

As of June 30th 2009 how many posts were there in the establishment for the Greater London Authority

## **GLA establishment (2)**

**Question No: 2110 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

As of December 31st 2009, how many posts will there be in the Greater London Authority's establishment employed at City Hall

## **Temporary Agency staff**

**Question No: 2111 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

As of June 30th 2009 how many temporary agency staff were employed by the Greater London Authority to work in City Hall?

## **Temporary Agency staff (2)**

**Question No: 2112 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

As of December 31st 2009 how many temporary agency staff will be working in City Hall?

## **GLA Salaries**

**Question No: 2113 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

As of June 30th 2009 how many officers within the Greater London Authority earned over £100,000?

## **GLA Salaries (2)**

**Question No: 2114 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

As of December 31st 2009, how many officers within the Greater London Authority will be earning over £100,000.

## **People's Question Time**

**Question No: 2115 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Do you consider 2 People's Question Times a year enough? Do you plan to hold more in the year 2009/10, and when will consult the Assembly.

## **Foreign-registered vehicles (1)**

**Question No: 2116 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please would you publish a table showing for each month since January 2008 the level of Penalty Charge notices recorded against foreign-registered vehicles for infringements relating to (a) congestion charging, (b) bus lane use, (c) low emission zone.

## **Dial-a-Ride (1)**

**Question No: 2117 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please can you let me have a table on the performance of the Dial-a-Ride service providing information for each London borough and showing for each month since April 2009 (a) the number of trips made, (b) the number of requested trips that were refused, (c) the number of cancelled trips.

## **Dial-a-Ride (2)**

**Question No: 2118 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How much mileage was the total number of trips made by Dial-a-Ride in each month since April 2008?

## **Dial-a-Ride (3)**

**Question No: 2119 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How many drivers are currently employed by Dial-a-Ride?

## **New Bus for London**

**Question No: 2120 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

In the manufacturers brief for a new bus for London, has it been specified that the levels of heating in these buses can be controlled by the driver, and don't require an engineer to turn the heating on or off?

## **Air Quality Alerts**

**Question No: 2121 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Do you accept that the government's current low, medium and high bandings for air quality alerts, which are then used on the London Air Quality Network website and to send out airTEXT warnings, are out-of-date and potentially misleading in representing the actual health risks from

air pollution?

## **Air Quality Alerts (2)**

**Question No: 2122 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Will you commit to researching and launching new levels for air quality alerts which align with EU and WHO standards?

## **Air Quality Alerts (3)**

**Question No: 2123 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Will you commit to researching and launching a scheme to be combined with air quality alerts that gives people comprehensive advice on steps they could take as individuals to reduce air pollution and protect themselves from it when air quality is poor?

## **Air Quality warnings**

**Question No: 2124 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Would you consider taking over the responsibility for issuing smog, and other air quality, alerts for London?

## **Air Quality Health Impacts**

**Question No: 2125 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

When do you expect the work looking into the health impact of air pollution in Greater London to be completed and published?

## **Air Quality Health Impacts (2)**

**Question No: 2126 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Will you ensure that the assessment of the health impact of air pollution in Greater London includes estimates for annual premature deaths (eg 3,000 per annum); years of life lost per statistical victim (eg 10 years on average); total years of life lost; average reduction in life expectancy across Greater London (eg 11 months per person); and other recommended metrics (eg hospital admissions) (preferably by borough and pollutant) in order to aid public understanding of the health risks involved?

## **Congestion Charge exemptions**

**Question No: 2127 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Will you be taking up Volvo's challenge to review the regulations that govern which cars are exempt from Congestion Charging, given that at the end of 2008, there were 13 non-hybrid models in the total UK car market that fell below the 105g/km threshold for CO2 emissions typical of the exempt hybrid cars? Or will you be looking at the issue of emissions charging in the centre of London separately?

## **Freesheets**

**Question No: 2128 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

As you, and I, are still avidly awaiting the outcomes of the trial of newspaper recycling on LU stations, will you go ahead and establish your "coalition of those who either produce free sheets or have responsibility for recycling free sheets with a view to increasing opportunities for commuters and pedestrians to recycle their newspapers"? Will you commit to including Network Rail, and the Evening Standard in your coalition? [MQs 0087/2009; 2422/2008]

## **London Overground recycling**

**Question No: 2129 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Had recycling facilities for paper been installed by May 2009 at "all stations where there is space, and where permitted by security regulations" [MQ 0328/2009], and which stations do not have facilities?

## **DLR recycling**

**Question No: 2130 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

What percentage of waste on the DLR is recycled and are there any plans for recycling facilities to be provided outside DLR stations?

## **Home Retrofit Scheme**

**Question No: 2131 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

How many boroughs have you, or the LDA had discussions with about your Home Retrofit Scheme?

## **Home Retrofit Scheme (2)**

**Question No: 2132 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

When do you expect being able to offer a loft and wall insulation scheme that is free at the point of installation, as it is excluded from the package of easy household carbon reduction measures which the LDA aims to roll-out to c.1.8m households in your retrofit scheme?

## **Environment Direction of Travel (1)**

**Question No: 2133 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

When can we expect to see your Environment Direction of Travel?

## **Environment Direction of Travel (2)**

**Question No: 2134 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Given that your Environment Direction of Travel was due in the spring, please provide the total

cost of producing this document including how much it has cost in temporary agency worker / consultancy fees. Has the delay in publication led to additional costs?

## **Kickstart housing programme**

**Question No: 2135 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Further to MQ 1559/2009, what discussions have you had with the HCA regarding London's bids to this £400m fund and has the 2011 deadline limited the usefulness of the fund to London sites?

## **Housing Mobility**

**Question No: 2136 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Do you agree that housing schemes in London (over a certain size) which receive HCA funding should have a proportion of homes in the Londonwide mobility scheme?

## **Seaside and Country Homes**

**Question No: 2137 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Given that only 216 lettings were made in 2008/9 under the existing Seaside and Country Homes Scheme, what improvements will be made with the £5 million you have "earmarked" for the scheme?

## **Seaside and Country Homes 2**

**Question No: 2138 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

How many of your 50,000 affordable homes target "will be delivered outside borough boundaries, for example through an expansion of the Seaside and Country Homes Scheme" (Housing Strategy, p.24)

## **Housing on LDA and TfL land**

**Question No: 2139 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Further to our discussion on 21 May when you said "Yes, of course...Yes, we will" put a bit of stick about Transport for London and the London Development Agency - in relation to the 7,000 possible units of land held by TfL and the 32,000 possible units from the LDA - have you wielded your stick and got them to come up with a strategy?

## **Great Spaces**

**Question No: 2140 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

How many projects do you anticipate will benefit from "a contribution to initial feasibility studies and design work", and will this funding be available on an annual basis?

## **Great Spaces (2)**

**Question No: 2141 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Given the likely levels of demand, will you consider increasing funding for this initiative beyond £200,000?

## **Great Spaces (3)**

**Question No: 2142 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

As you say you want to see “imaginative schemes for ...tangled road networks”, can you clarify the extent to which TfL are involved in this project (other than Michele Dix sitting on the Panel), and whether applicants can benefit from advice from TfL?

## **Team Meetings**

**Question No: 2143 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Further to MQ 2083/2008 when you said, in response to my querying your lack of a Cabinet for London, “The details of all members of my team are on the public website, and we will be putting information about our regular meetings on the website in due course”; when can we expect information about your regular meetings to be made public? In your election manifesto “Making London’s Mayor Accountable” you promised to “Create a Cabinet for London, to run London in a more business-like and efficient manner” with “the full agenda papers...on the Mayor’s website” leading to “a more open and transparent decision making process”. How can you seriously purport that the Monday morning team meeting fulfils that pledge, given that it is about information sharing and coordination, not decision-making?

## **LDA /GLA Events**

**Question No: 2144 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Please provide details of what the “Major Civic Events” will be in 2009/10 which the GLA and LDA will be providing £500,000 of funding for.

## **LDA Events**

**Question No: 2145 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

How much is the LDA spending on events in 2009/10, broken down by budget heading?

## **Job Seekers Allowance Bus and Tram Pass Take-up**

**Question No: 2146 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

What additional promotion of this scheme have you carried out, given that figures from May 2009 show that take-up is still below 15% in 15 boroughs?

## **Job Seekers Allowance Bus and Tram Pass Take-up 2**

**Question No: 2147 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Have you considered whether there are ways of streamlining the application process for this, and other concessions. At the moment claimants have to fill in the form in the presence of the advisor who signs it off, go to the Post office to provide proof of identity and to be issued with the pass, then go to the tube station to get the pass activated against the Oyster card. Would it be possible for the Job Centre or tube station to issue the pass, cutting out the need to go to a post office at all?

## **Job Seekers Allowance Bus and Tram Pass Take-up 3**

**Question No: 2148 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Will you make the concession more useful to jobseekers by allowing it to extend to the tube network or making it available before jobseekers have been on JSA for 13 weeks?

## **Legal advice on academies**

**Question No: 2149 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

What advice have the LDA and TfL received as to the legality of funding your academies programme?

## **Olympic routes: Greenwich**

**Question No: 2150 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

There is considerable concern among residents of Croom Hill, Park View and Maze Hill in Greenwich that the residential roads where they live will be closed during the 2012 Olympics and that they will not be able to use their own cars or have other vehicles visit their properties. When will the precise rules affecting them during this period become available ?

## **Story of London (1)**

**Question No: 2151 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

In your press release of the 26th February 2009, numbered 108 on the website [www.london.gov.uk](http://www.london.gov.uk), it was stated in the notes to editors: 'Aimed at tourists and Londoners alike, there will be events and activities in every borough'. Could it be confirmed that events and activities did actually take place in each and every London borough and could a list of every event and activity that took place in each London borough be published?

## **Story of London (2)**

**Question No: 2152 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

How many text calls were made by members of the public to the number 62967 to obtain information about the Story of London?

### **Story of London (3)**

**Question No: 2153 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

How many entries via the Story of London website were there for the competition to win tickets to the concert London Past and Present at St Giles, Cripplegate on 24th June?

### **Story of London (4)**

**Question No: 2154 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

What steps will be taken to fully evaluate the Story of London and what measurements will be used to judge the success of the event?

### **Story of London (5)**

**Question No: 2155 / 2009**

[Dee Doocey](#)

Was the Story of London a success, especially in relation to the events and activities that actually took place in outer London boroughs?

### **Meetings with Network Rail and Train Operating Companies**

**Question No: 2156 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Since June 2008, please list how many meetings you personally have had with Network Rail and with any of the individual train operating companies that run services in greater London? Who was at those meetings, when did they take place and what was discussed?

### **Heating on the Central Line**

**Question No: 2157 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

I have received reports that some trains on the Central Line were running with their heaters on during the week commencing June 29th when London was experiencing a heatwave. Was this the case, and were checks undertaken to ensure that trains were not running with heaters on?

### **A London lorry**

**Question No: 2158 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Will you explore the potential to develop a small 'London Lorry', as proposed by the London Forum of Civic and Amenity Societies, to allow goods to be delivered to high street around London on smaller and more environmentally-friendly vehicles? Do you agree this concept could be extended to the ubiquitous 'white van', be powered by electricity, and potentially achieve iconic status on London's streets?

### **Sustainability commitment for Olympic legacy**

**Question No: 2159 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Will you commit to ensuring that the work of the Commission for a Sustainable London 2012

fully extends to the new Olympics legacy special purpose vehicle and that the SPV is subject to its assurance framework, as legacy clearly falls within the Commission's agreed remit which was part of the bidding process?

## **Food to energy**

**Question No: 2160 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Exactly how will your recently announced initiative to convert London's food waste into eco-fuel be extended to cover activities on the Olympic park during the Games and beyond, as indicated in your latest report to the London Assembly?

## **Waste to energy**

**Question No: 2161 / 2009**

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Will you establish a single waste-to-energy facility covering the Olympic village and the whole of the site, as part of the commitment for renewable energy use during and beyond the Games? What role can the LWRB play to make sure this happens, along side funds from developers?

## **Lighting columns on TfL roads**

**Question No: 2162 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Do Transport for London keep a record of how many lighting columns owned by EDF on TfL roads are currently awaiting decommissioning, and the condition of these redundant columns? If so, please could this be published?

## **A217 Reigate Avenue, Sutton**

**Question No: 2163 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can you tell me when a row of parking bays that were taken out by contractors recently on the A217 Reigate Avenue close to Rosehill roundabout in Sutton, will be reinstated?

## **Planting of Rosehill roundabout**

**Question No: 2164 / 2009**

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

When will the planting of Rosehill roundabout, promised by TfL, actually take place?