

Agenda Item 5

Questions to the Mayor
Mayor's Question Time, 20 March 2013

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 25 March 2013.

Air quality – children's health

Question No: 940 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

Do you agree with the comments of your Environment Advisor – made to LBC Radio on 27th February 2013 – that in areas of high smog “it may be sensible for the children not to be in the playground”?

Welfare Reform

Question No: 987 / 2013

[Tom Copley](#)

Do you stand by your statement of October 2010 that “on my watch, you are not going to see thousands of families evicted from the place where they have been living and have put down roots” in London as a result of the Government's welfare reform?

IPCC investigation

Question No: 960 / 2013

[Roger Evans](#)

In light of the IPCC report on the MPS Sapphire Unit - which said rape was ignored due to “the pressure to meet targets” – what is in place to prevent more crimes from being screened out in response to your latest ambitious targets?

Overall Benefit Cap

Question No: 810 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Do you support the overall benefit cap in spite of your failure to win any major changes to its design to account for London's higher cost of living?

TfL Staff Nominee travel passes

Question No: 986 / 2013

[Gareth Bacon](#)

During the Budget process, both GLA Conservatives and the Liberal Democrat Group proposed removing the over-generous perk of TfL staff nominee travel passes. Given the desire across the political spectrum for change, will you now give serious consideration to phasing out the free passes?

Rents

Question No: 990 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Has reform of Local Housing Allowance led to a reduction in private sector rents?

Draft Fire Plan Public Meetings

Question No: 996 / 2013

[Navin Shah](#)

Will you attend the consultation public meetings on the draft fire plan?

Police & Crime Plan and Estate Strategy

Question No: 992 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Have you signed off your Draft Police and Crime Plan and Estate Strategy?

London's record on monitoring child sex offenders

Question No: 983 / 2013

[Victoria Borwick](#)

The MPS has lost track of more convicted child sex offenders who had signed onto the sex offenders' register than any other UK force (with 40 missing, compared to the force with the second highest number missing, which has lost seven). The Mayor has previously led the way nationally with its approach to VAWG. Is it time for London to lead the way in changing the way they monitor convicted paedophiles?

Energy

Question No: 993 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What have you done to plug the energy gap?

Peer Courts

Question No: 972 / 2013

[James Cleverly](#)

In light of your ambitious aims to reduce youth reoffending by 20 per cent, would you agree to pilot a peer court programme – where teenagers sentence their peers for minor offences – which increased the non-reoffending rate to over 90% in Illinois?

Public Houses

Question No: 976 / 2013

[Steve O'Connell](#)

Would you support further measures to retain pubs as community assets and ensure that they are protected from inappropriate development?

State of the London Economy

Question No: 997 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Of the £231 million you currently have to invest in London's local places and infrastructure, £112 million is available to the London Enterprise Panel via the Growing Places Fund. However, despite the potential of the Fund, it has not been clear how it is planned to be spent or what benefits it will provide to London's economy. So much so, that two Government Ministers – Business minister Michael Fallon and housing minister Mark Prisk – have been forced to write to City Hall expressing "serious concern" over your failure to invest these funds and the slow progress being made by London's mayor to help the capital's economy. This criticism follows a 'furious' letter you sent to George Osborne in April 2012 in which you claimed London had been "excluded from serious consideration by the [Regional Growth] Fund" and arguing that you were reluctant to encourage your partners to submit application to the Fund "if the roulette wheel will never spin in our favour". London's economy is being let down. You blame the Government, the Government's ministers blame you. What are you doing to resolve this issue?

Debt in London

Question No: 999 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Is the Mayor monitoring the number of Londoners seeking advice from debt advice agencies in London?

Crossrail

Question No: 967 / 2013

[Richard Tracey](#)

Will you update the Assembly on the progress on Crossrail?

London Pedestrians

Question No: 887 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Are you doing enough to maximise pedestrian journeys?

Heathrow Expansion

Question No: 944 / 2013

[Tony Arbour](#)

Do you agree that those who profess to oppose Heathrow Expansion but who are unwilling to commit to airport expansion elsewhere, are playing into the hands of those who wish to see a Third Runway at Heathrow?

Cycling Consensus

Question No: 948 / 2013

[Andrew Boff](#)

How are you building all-party, long-term consensus, for major cycling infrastructure, right across London?

[Note: The following are priority questions, but are not in proportional order.]

Police Plan Consultation

Question No: 811 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Will you run a second stage of the Police and Crime Plan consultation which provides Londoners with information about: the savings that will be made by closing front counters and police stations; the location, opening hours and purpose of the new contact points; what types of crimes are reported to front counters; what will happen to Safer Neighbourhood Team bases; the impact on frontline policing; and non-adjusted police numbers?

Home Working

Question No: 966 / 2013

[Roger Evans](#)

Does the Mayor recognise the value in TfL seeking to reduce demand on London's overcrowded public transport by aiming to incentivise home working?

Early impact of Local Housing Allowance cuts and caps

Question No: 812 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Since the cuts and caps to Local Housing Allowance were introduced, the number of claimants in Westminster, Kensington & Chelsea, Camden and Islington have started to fall, while outer London boroughs like Barnet, Kingston upon Thames and Havering are seeing the fastest rises in claimant numbers in London. Will you investigate this changing pattern to establish whether the cuts and caps are making growing parts of central London no-go areas for benefit claimants?

Bakerloo line extension

Question No: 814 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

The popularity of the London Overground in south east London demonstrates the demand that exists for better transport links between central and south east London. Can you update me on the work TfL have done on options to extend the Bakerloo line and can you confirm whether TfL are developing a timetable to take these proposals forward?

Lambeth Housing

Question No: 815 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Are you aware that Lambeth Council is taking members of 30+ year old housing co-ops to court to try and evict them from their homes and sell their houses off on the open market - thus reducing the number of social housing units in the borough and adding to their own waiting list? Could you urge Lambeth Council to engage with the Super Co-op plan that the housing co-op residents have advanced, which would further your housing policies on tenant and community empowerment?

Cycle Hire Scheme

Question No: 816 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Given that the Cycle Hire scheme currently stops just south of Elephant & Castle and given the poor public transport connections beyond this have you given thought to additional docking stations at Camberwell Grove and Peckham Road?

Cycling and potholes

Question No: 817 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

What are you doing to ensure that an adequate proportion of cycling spend is devoted to the proper maintenance of cycle lanes and ensuring they are free from potholes?

Transport for London Bill

Question No: 818 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Do you agree that the Transport for London Bill currently in the House of Lords, which removes the requirement on TfL to obtain the consent of the Secretary of State to dispose of operational land such as in the proposed Earl's Court Exhibition development and seeks to revise the wording of the GLA 1999 Act, would seem to put the Mayor in a legally ambiguous position since the Mayor, while Chairman of TfL is also a constituent part of the GLA and it is not clear how such disposals would be effected, bearing in mind the great hostility to the Earl's Court development which entails loss of skyline, TfL's Lillie Bridge Depot and overdevelopment?

Streatham High Road (1)

Question No: 819 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

How much of the existing central reservation will be removed as part of the street works at Streatham High Road?

Streatham High Road (2)

Question No: 820 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

What will replace the section of central reservation at Streatham High Road that is removed as part of the street works? Will there be trees, in keeping with the section of central reservation replaced several years ago on Streatham High Road?

Streatham High Road (3)

Question No: 821 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you confirm Transport for London's estimate of the current amount of existing greenery and vegetation in the central reservation at Streatham High Road that will be removed as part of the street works?

Rough sleepers (1)

Question No: 822 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

How much have you allocated to rough sleeping initiatives for former members of the armed forces in 2013/14, and what projects will this money be spent on?

Rough sleepers (2)

Question No: 823 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will your projects for former members of the armed services sleeping rough support people with both UK and non-UK nationality, given that the latter comprise the majority of rough sleepers with experience of armed forces?

TfL Thames river crossings spend (1)

Question No: 824 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Please provide the total amount spent by Transport for London on preparatory work on new river crossings between April 2004 and April 2007.

TfL Thames river crossings spend (2)

Question No: 825 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Please provide the total amount which Transport for London has spent building the case for new river crossings and funding the Thames Gateway Bridge public inquiries since May 2008.

Proximity of Cycle Hire docking stations

Question No: 826 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

What is TfL's current estimate of the percentage of London's population that will live within 400m of a cycle hire docking station, once Phase 3 of expansion is complete?

Cycling Superhighways

Question No: 827 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

What is the estimated budget for completing cycling superhighways between April 1st 2013 and 2016?

Cycling Crossrail

Question No: 828 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

When do you aim to complete your 15 mile segregated west to east cycling route through the heart of London, from the western suburbs to Canary Wharf and Barking? What is the estimated budget for this project?

Quietways cycling budget

Question No: 829 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

What is the budget for spending on cycling 'quietways' between now and 2015/16 and during the course of the whole ten year plan?

Outer London cycling budget

Question No: 830 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

What is the budget specifically dedicated to cycling in outer London between 2013/14 and 2015/16?

Public events cycling budget

Question No: 831 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Your deputy Mayor for Transport and your deputy Mayor for cycling have both stated at public events that the cycling budget will rise to £145m by 2015/16, which is £26m more than you told the assembly budget meeting on 25th February. Can you confirm that this is the case, so that I can congratulate you on this small step?

Cyclists using Cable Car

Question No: 832 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Given that TfL promotes the Cable Car as a crossing for both cyclists and pedestrians will you ask TfL to begin collecting and publishing data on the number of cyclists who use the service each week?

Junction review and budget

Question No: 833 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you please clarify how much is due to be spent on making dangerous junctions safer between now and 2015/16? Your cycling vision document states that £100m will be spent on the junction review, but a policy paper on the Better Junction Review presented to Transport for London board members on the 6th February says that the budget will be between £66m and £93m?

Cycle Hire budget

Question No: 834 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

How much does Transport for London anticipate will be the net spending (above income received) on cycle hire in the years 2013/14, 2014/15 and 2015/16?

Safety vs Traffic flow

Question No: 835 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Your vision for cycling states that it will no longer be the case that 'TfL models will not accept 'motor traffic degradation' '. Can you confirm that safety improvements at dangerous junctions will now come first and that any negative impacts on traffic flow will have to be mitigated?

Cycling vision

Question No: 836 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Your vision for cycling refers to CS5 stopping at New Cross Gate, rather than travelling further eastwards. What is the point of high quality cycle routes done to Dutch standards which leave cyclists unprotected at the most congested, dangerous section of road?

Cycle Training budget

Question No: 837 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

How much was spent on cycle training in 2012/13 and how much does Transport for London expect will be spent in 2013/14?

Central London cycling grid

Question No: 838 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

When do you aim to have the central London cycling grid completed and what is the estimated budget for this project?

New Bus for London emissions (1)

Question No: 839 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Thank you for your answer to my question 3455/2012. Will the new bus for London, which is being rolled out on route 24 in April, be Euro 6 compliant

New bus for London emissions (2)

Question No: 840 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you confirm that the New Bus for London has been sent back to the Transport for London testing centre at Millbrook? Will you release the new test results?

Elephant and castle roundabout

Question No: 841 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Your cycling vision for London includes the removal of dangerous gyratories as a measure to improve safety. Given that the Elephant and Castle is one of the most dangerous collision hotspots in London will you now progress plans to remove the northern roundabout, even if this has short term impacts on traffic flow?

Accident and Emergency Lewisham (1)

Question No: 842 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

In answer to my question 4039/2012 you referred to a letter you wrote to the Trust Special Administrator asking him for 'reassurance that his final report to the Secretary of State would take into account' a list of key issues. Do you believe his report took all of those issues into account?

Accident and Emergency Lewisham (2)

Question No: 843 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you outline how you believe the changes proposed by the Secretary of State to Lewisham hospital address each of the six areas of concerns you raised with the Trust Special

Administrator?

Lewisham Hospital

Question No: 844 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will you give your support to the unanimous decision by the London Borough of Lewisham to seek a judicial review of the Secretary of State's decision to downgrade Lewisham Hospital?

Olympic Park

Question No: 845 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Your cycling vision states that you will do your "best to improve some new schemes, such as the Olympic Park". Will you now raise the artificially low target for the number of cycling trips and expand the cycle lanes beyond the 1.5m minimum?

Bus operator payments

Question No: 846 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

In your answer to question 702/2013 you refer to figures published on TfL's website which cover the period from April 2011 to January 2012. Could you please provide me with equivalent data on payments made to bus operators in the months January, February and March 2011?

Transport for London's Construction Logistics and Cyclist Safety Report

Question No: 847 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Transport for London's Construction Logistics and Cyclist Safety Report does not deal with pedestrians, a class of vulnerable road users which has a fatality rate 5 times of cyclists. Would you be willing to ask Transport for London to launch a similar study to investigate the same issue for pedestrians?

Pedestrian safety Oxford Street

Question No: 848 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

How many pedestrians were killed, seriously injured or slightly injured as a result of collisions with buses on Oxford Street in the years 2008 to 2011?

Bus Logistics and Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety

Question No: 849 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Since, by weight and mass alone a Transport for London bus can be classified as an Heavy Goods Vehicle, would you have Transport for London launch a study on Bus Logistics and Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety, with a special emphasis on Westminster Borough, where over 20 per cent of Transport for London Bus-pedestrian fatalities have occurred in the past 5 years?

Legislation requiring Mayoral intervention

Question No: 850 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Paper 7b for the 7th February Investment & Performance Board refers to 'an assessment of forthcoming legislation likely to require Mayoral intervention'. Can you share that assessment with me?

Banking Reform white paper

Question No: 851 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you send me a copy of your response to the Banking Reform white paper?

Data limitations and the work programme (1)

Question No: 852 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

What specific data limitations meant it was not possible for Work Programme providers to sign up to the London Employability Rating System?

Data limitations and the work programme (2)

Question No: 853 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Did you ask the DWP to make available the data that would make it possible for Work Programme providers to sign up to the London Employability Rating System?

Work programme safeguards

Question No: 854 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Did you ask the DWP to impose your performance management framework, including the London Employability Rating System, on Work Programme providers in London?

Workfare pilot evaluation

Question No: 855 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Thank you for your answer to question 711/2013. Will you ensure that this part of the evaluation will also look at whether the pilot has had an impact on the uptake of Jobseekers' Allowance among the target group?

Workfare pilot starts

Question No: 856 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you now tell me how many young people started on your mandatory work experience pilot in each of the following months: November 2012, December 2012, January 2013 and February 2013? If not, please tell me when you will conclude your work with the Department of Work and Pensions and be in a position to tell me?

New Hub Airport – Environmental Impact Assessments

Question No: 857 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

In your examination of potential locations for a new hub airport, is your aviation policy unit carrying out environmental impact assessments of each of the locations?

New Hub Airport – aviation carbon emissions

Question No: 858 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

In your examination of potential locations for a new hub airport, is your aviation policy unit calculating the increase in carbon emissions at each of the potential locations that would arise from the increase in aviation movements?

London's 2015 recycling rate

Question No: 859 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

What do you expect the London-wide recycling rate to be in 2015? Have you carried out any specific forecasting?

London's worst recycling local authorities

Question No: 860 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Why are there still twelve local authorities in London with recycling rates that are 30 per cent or less? Do you agree with me that the London Waste and Recycling Board has failed to deal with local authorities unable or unwilling to increase their recycling rates?

Cleaner Air for London website

Question No: 861 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

When will your new Cleaner Air for London website, bringing together continuous monitoring data from all of London's boroughs and emissions and concentration maps from the London Atmospheric Emissions Inventory, be up and running?

Free Schools and Academies – using disused fire and police stations

Question No: 862 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

There have been suggestions concerning using disused police or fire stations for new free schools or academies. As many of these buildings are located besides roads with significant or excessive vehicular pollution, can you give me an assurance that no new school will be permitted to occupy such locations?

Car Doorings

Question No: 863 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Your cycling vision includes launching major safety educational campaigns. Will you ask

Transport for London and the Met Police to run a campaign that deals with the menace of car dooring in London, which accounts for 8% of the killed and seriously injured cyclists?

Road Safety budget

Question No: 864 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Would you accept that cutting your road safety budget led to a rise in the number of people killed and seriously injured on London's roads and that expenditure urgently needs to be increased?

Traffic restrictions during pollution episodes

Question No: 865 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Will you re-consider implementing traffic restrictions and road closures as emergency measures during high levels of pollution?

Schools and air pollution

Question No: 866 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Have you been in direct communication with the 2,270 schools in London that are located within 400 metres of a road carrying 10,000 or more vehicles per day to encourage them to sign up to AirTEXT?

Smog alerts

Question No: 867 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Will you publish smog alerts on the GLA website?

Pollution displays

Question No: 868 / 2013

[Jenny Jones](#)

Have you looked into the feasibility of installing pollution monitors at location such as Putney High Street or Marylebone Road? The monitors should clearly give pedestrians, road users and businesses up to date information about local pollution conditions, including the levels of particulates, nitrogen dioxide and ozone.

Cycling Budget

Question No: 869 / 2013

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you please clarify what will be spent by Transport for London on cycling (including LIPs money for cycling) in 2013/14, 1013/14 and 2014/15?

Redevelopment of Croydon town centre

Question No: 870 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

You recently pledged your support for the development of a Westfield shopping centre in Croydon. Before the Stratford Westfield centre opened we saw aggressive advertising of discounted parking rates for shoppers. Will you take steps to ensure that Westfield Croydon does everything it can to encourage people to visit the area by public transport and active travel modes?

Wi-Fi access at West Brompton Station

Question No: 871 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please explain why this major interchange station will not benefit from a Wi-Fi service like many other stations on the London Overground network?

Northern Line Extension

Question No: 872 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

In your response to MQ 2/2013 you stated that the true cost of the project to London's taxpayers will be "much less" than the £1billion project cost. Please provide a figure and how this has been calculated ?

Private Hire Satellite offices

Question No: 873 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

For each year since your first election please list the following:

- a) The number of private hire satellite offices in operation
- b) The number of new private hire satellite offices opened
- c) The number of private hire satellite offices closed

Private Hire Licenses

Question No: 874 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

For each year since your first election please list the number of private hire licenses in use?

Automatic Train Control

Question No: 875 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

You have promised to bring Automatic Train Control to 48 per cent of London Underground rolling stock by 2014. Please detail:

- What percentage of trains are currently using Automatic Train Control?
- What percentage do you expect to achieve by the end of 2013?

Fifty per cent strike laws

Question No: 876 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

It is now nine months since you were elected promising to lobby government for a fifty per cent minimum turnout on strike ballots. Please update us on your progress, including any meetings or correspondence you have had with Ministers.

DLR extension from Lewisham to Bromley

Question No: 877 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please detail the work that you have carried out to extend the DLR from Lewisham to Bromley?

Dartford Crossing

Question No: 878 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What progress have you made in securing a discount for residents of Havering and Bexley to use the Dartford Crossing?

Roads task force report

Question No: 879 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

When do you expect to receive and publish the Roads Task Force report?

Rapid response to road accidents

Question No: 880 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How many lasers, which can scan road collision sites in 3D, are in use by the Metropolitan Police?

Stop and shop bays

Question No: 881 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

In your manifesto you promised to give motorists an extra 10 minutes parking time in Stop and Shop bays on the TLRN. Since your 2012 election in how many bays has this increase been implemented? Please provide a list of locations.

TfL "ranks plan"

Question No: 882 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

In your manifesto you promised to produce a "ranks plan". Please provide this plan.

River Action Plan (1)

Question No: 883 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Will you commit to ensuring that slots are made available on the Westminster Pier for river bus services as well as tourist services?

River Action Plan (2)

Question No: 884 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

When can we expect to see river services properly included and drawn in a similar fashion to tube lines on the tube map?

Theobalds Road

Question No: 885 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Cyclists are currently banned from using the bus lane at the west end of Theobalds Road. This forces them to negotiate a four lane gyratory to continue their journey. Will you take steps to provide cyclists with a safe route through this area?

TfL Transparency

Question No: 886 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Will you commit to TfL creating a freedom of information disclosure log on the TfL website, setting out on a monthly basis every freedom of information request answered by TfL?

Smoking at bus stops (1)

Question No: 888 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What steps does Transport for London take to discourage smoking at bus stops, especially those located near to schools?

Smoking at bus stops (2)

Question No: 889 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Has Transport for London sought legal advice as to whether any of its bus shelters are substantially enclosed and therefore come under the definition of a public space as defined by the legislation banning smoking in public places.

Charging London Boroughs for hanging baskets

Question No: 890 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please state how much Transport for London has charged each London borough per year for the years 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 to hang baskets on lamp columns along Red Routes.

Charging London Boroughs for safety inspection records of lamp columns

Question No: 891 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please state how much Transport for London has charged each London borough per year for the years 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 for safety inspection records of lamp columns along Red Routes that I understand are required as part of the application by councils to gain permission to install hanging baskets on lamp columns.

Oxford Circus Underground Station

Question No: 892 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to your answer to question 3841 where it was stated that between the 1st December 2011 and 30 November 2012 that Oxford Circus underground station was temporarily closed 163 times due to overcrowding will you instruct Transport for London to set up Twitter alerts to inform people of sudden closures at underground stations.

Safer Travel at Night campaign

Question No: 893 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

In answer to MQ 52/2013 you stated that the Safer Travel at Night marketing campaign is evaluated each year through two pieces of quantitative research undertaken in January with results available in late March. Can you please provide the results and confirm when this research will be published?

MOPAC police estate sales – Tower Bridge Road affordable housing

Question No: 894 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

DMPCD 2013-013 approved the in principle disposal of 6 ex-operational police properties including Tower Bridge Road Office. Will you look at such disposals and assess whether the use of these sites can be prioritised for affordable housing?

Opening hours for police stations

Question No: 895 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to MQ 35/2013, will you now publish a list of proposed opening days and times for all London police stations?

CRE public access review

Question No: 896 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

MOPAC's monthly report to the Police and Crime Committee references a £0.9m reduction in expenditure on "the CRE Public Access review" which "is due to delays and minor alterations to project specification". Please provide details of this Public Access review. When was it commissioned, at what cost, when will it be published, and was it used to inform the Estate Strategy?

Repeat offending

Question No: 897 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Your manifesto stated you would “consider how police data on repeat offending could be used more productively”. What police data on repeat offending in London is currently available, what more could be provided, and is it shared with other organisations that deal with other problems commonly faced by repeat offenders such as mental health, housing, drug and alcohol issues?

Police and Crime Plan and Estate Strategy - Equality Impact Assessment

Question No: 898 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can you confirm that you have carried out Equality Impact Assessments on the proposals to close 65 police front counters? If so, why were these not published before the end of the public consultation on the Police and Crime Plan and Estate Strategy?

West Hampstead Police Station

Question No: 899 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can you confirm what your plans are for the future of West Hampstead Police Station? Will the whole site be sold, will part be retained (e.g. the stables), or all retained?

East Dulwich Police Station

Question No: 900 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can you confirm what your plans are for the future of East Dulwich Police Station? Has the process of marketing it for sale been signed off by the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime and will you commit to engage with the local community over future uses for this key site?

Highbury Vale Police Station

Question No: 901 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to MQ 0774/2013, will you agree to work with the local community and elected representatives regarding potential future uses for the Highbury Vale Police Station site?

In principle disposals of police properties

Question No: 902 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

In answer to MQ 0774/2013 you stated that “DMPCD 2012 06 approved the in principle disposal of a number of properties including Highbury Vale in February 2012”. The version of DMPCD 2012-06 which is online does not contain a list of the properties approved for disposal. Could you please publish that list?

MOPAC/MPS Joint Asset Management Panel

Question No: 903 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

A webpage has been created on MOPAC's website for the Joint Asset Management Panel (JAMP). It states that the "JAMP will meet monthly and notes of the meeting will be published below". At the time of drafting no papers were online. Has the JAMP met and will you commit to publishing the papers online to ensure greater transparency regarding estates issues?

MOPAC/MPS Joint Investment Board

Question No: 904 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

A webpage has been created on MOPAC's website for the Joint Investment Board (JIB). It states that the "The JIB meets on a monthly basis.

JIB notes of the meeting will be published below". At the time of drafting no papers were online. Has the JIB met and will you commit to publishing the papers online to ensure greater transparency regarding MPS investment decisions?

Cars and drivers for senior officers (1)

Question No: 905 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What was the total expenditure in 2012/13 on

- a) drivers for senior officers,
- b) capital spend on cars for senior officers,
- c) revenue spend on maintenance of the vehicle fleet, including fuel, for senior officers, and
- d) the cost of insurance for the vehicle fleet for senior officers?

Cars and drivers for senior officers (2)

Question No: 906 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What was the forecast expenditure in 2013/14 on

- a) drivers for senior officers,
- b) capital spend on cars for senior officers,
- c) revenue spend on maintenance of the vehicle fleet, including fuel, for senior officers, and
- d) the cost of insurance for the vehicle fleet for senior officers?

Marine Policing Unit

Question No: 907 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

In answer to MQ 782/2013 you stated that "Careful consideration is currently being given by the MPS to the level of police presence required on the Thames over a 24 hour period...A range of options are being developed to ensure that the key services provided by the MPU can be retained". Can you provide an update on what changes are planned to the staffing of and services provided by the Marine Police Unit?

Thames Police Museum

Question No: 908 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

You didn't provide an answer to my previous question [MQ 783/2013] regarding the future of the Thames Police Museum. Can you please provide an update on whether there are plans to sell Wapping Police Station and if so what is planned for the Thames Police Museum also housed there?

Operation Nexus - figures

Question No: 909 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Operation Nexus - figures

Migrant support groups have raised concerns about the way Operation Nexus, which checks the personal details of people arrested by the police against UKBA databases, is carried out and presented to the public. One concern is that police are conflating 'high harm' and 'repeat offences'. Can you provide a definition of what the Met means by 'high harm' and 'prolific offending'?

Operation Nexus – community relations

Question No: 910 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Migrant support groups have raised concerns about the way Operation Nexus, which checks the personal details of people arrested by the police against UKBA databases, is carried out and presented to the public. There are particular concerns about how this operation will effect communities' trust and relationship with the police. What work has been done, and will be done to address these concerns? What consultation has taken place with migrant communities?

Operation Nexus – UKBA data

Question No: 911 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Migrant support groups have raised concerns about the way Operation Nexus, which checks the personal details of people arrested by the police against UKBA databases, is carried out and presented to the public.

There are particular concerns about the use of UKBA databases. Are police staff using this data trained to interpret it? What safeguards are in place to protect against people being wrongly held or removed from the UK based on errors in UKBA data?

Operation Nexus – evaluation

Question No: 912 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Migrant support groups have raised concerns about the way Operation Nexus, which checks the personal details of people arrested by the police against UKBA databases, is carried out and presented to the public.

What evaluation has been carried out of this Operation to date? If not will you agree to undertake an evaluation?

Economic Viability Assessments (1)

Question No: 913 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How do you test the robustness of developers' assumptions when assessing the economic viability of development schemes?

Economic Viability Assessments (2)

Question No: 914 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Will you agree to publish viability assessments in cases where developers are unable to make the required contribution to local infrastructure or affordable housing? If not how can Londoners be certain that decisions are being made for justifiable reasons and not just to expand the profits of developers?"

LFEP - redevelopment of premises at Albert Embankment (1)

Question No: 915 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can you confirm that under the terms of the deal signed with residential developer Native Land, the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority will receive a minimum payment of £41million in the event that planning permission is granted to convert its former Headquarters at 8 Albert Embankment, SE1?

LFEP - redevelopment of premises at Albert Embankment (2)

Question No: 916 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How do you respond to claims that the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority misled Lambeth Council on the viability of its development scheme at Albert Embankment in order to minimise the amount of affordable housing they would have to provide? Can you confirm whether or not a nil land value was applied to this site when assessing the viability of the scheme?

GLA Land Database

Question No: 917 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to your welcome publication of all assets held by the GLA Group on the london.gov.uk website, what steps are in place to ensure this list is kept up-to-date?

Seaside & Country Homes scheme

Question No: 918 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please provide a breakdown, by borough, of the number of homes freed up across London through the Seaside & Country Homes scheme in 2012.

Housing Revenue Account - borrowing limits

Question No: 919 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Following the government's confirmation that it has "no immediate plans to devolve additional powers specifically to the Mayor of London" – and its rejection of your recent request for £1.3 billion a year to tackle London's housing crisis – what discussions have you had with the Department for Communities and Local Government about aligning boroughs' housing borrowing cap with the Treasury's prudential borrowing rules?

Mayor's Housing Covenant fund (1)

Question No: 920 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to your press release of 15 February 2013 [Mayor unveils first stage of £100m homes boost for working Londoners] please will you list, by borough, the number and size of new homes to be delivered across London following the allocation of grants to 42 different organisations to provide additional affordable homes.

Mayor's Housing Covenant fund (2)

Question No: 921 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to MQ2861/2012 are you now in a position to confirm the exact proportion of your £100 million housing fund which will be funded by DCLG? Please also outline which, if any, GLA budgets have been adjusted to enable this capital investment.

Tall buildings

Question No: 922 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How many residential or mixed use developments of 20 storeys or more received planning permission in London in 2012?

Cost of Childcare (1)

Question No: 923 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

Following a report from the Daycare Trust and Family and Parenting Institute which found that the cost of sending a child to nursery has doubled in the past ten years, and can now cost more than paying for private school, will you consider any actions to curb this trend?

Cost of Childcare (2)

Question No: 924 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

The Daycare Trust and Family and Parenting Institute's 2013 Childcare Costs Survey suggested that soaring costs are indicative of a 'market failure in our childcare system' with insufficient providers to meet the need in some areas. Do you agree, and if so what actions will you consider taking to help ensure the supply of childcare in London?

Cost of Childcare (3)

Question No: 925 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

91 per cent of childcare in England is supplied by the private and not-for-profit sectors; these providers have greater costs – for example rent and business rates – than public sector services. Will you consider taking any actions to support the private and not-for-profit childcare providers in London and help to bring down their costs?

Regional Growth Fund (1)

Question No: 926 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

Why has London, to date, secured a very low proportion of the funding available through the Regional Growth Fund?

Regional Growth Fund (2)

Question No: 927 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

Will you instruct the London Enterprise Panel to work in partnership with groups seeking to submit bids to future rounds of the Regional Growth Fund in order to ensure that London gets its fair share of funding?

West End Slump

Question No: 928 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

Amidst the success of the Westfield shopping centres, which generated sales of over £1.9 billion last year, it was disappointing to find that footfall in the West End fell by 2.7 per cent overall last year. How will you support the West End to promote its interests and continue to compete alongside the shopping malls?

London Enterprise Partnership

Question No: 929 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

Why is your London Enterprise Partnership being so slow to invest in London's economy, taking more than a year to allocate the £111m Growing Places Fund and failing to publicise its priorities and action plan?

Shared Parental Leave

Question No: 930 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

As a major employer in London, will you respond to the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills' consultation on how the system for shared parental leave and pay should work?

Community Flood Plans

Question No: 931 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

How many flood plans have now been established to help communities at high risk of flooding? Please also outline the extent of your work to reverse the loss of permeable surfaces across London?

Water affordability

Question No: 932 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

Further to the publication of your Water Strategy in October 2011, how many Londoners have you identified that are, or could become, vulnerable to water affordability issues? What progress have you made to ensure that London has its own water affordability assessment in future?

Free drinking water for Londoners

Question No: 933 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

What steps have you taken since October 2011 to ensure that free and easily accessible drinking water is available across London? Please provide a breakdown of all GLA schemes that have provided free drinking water for Londoners on the move?

Managing flood risks

Question No: 934 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

Are you confident that boroughs are spending enough on managing flood risks in view of the Environment Agency's recent warning that periods of extreme weather - including intense rainfall - could become more frequent in the future?

Water efficiency

Question No: 935 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

What steps have you taken to monitor water usage in new homes built across London to see if actual water efficiency matches predicted performance?

Burst water mains

Question No: 936 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

What action have you taken to ensure water companies take full account of the costs to Londoners of burst water mains following a major burst on 02 March 2013 that caused significant damage to Regent Street, closed 15 stores and caused hundreds of buses to be diverted?

Quiet Homes Standard

Question No: 937 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

Is it time for your London Plan to include minimum acoustic standards in the design and construction of buildings - particularly as the health effects of exposure to noise (including from aircraft) have become much better understood in recent years?

Use of dust suppressants in 2013/14

Question No: 938 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

What plans do you have to apply dust suppressants to London's roads in 2013/14 following confirmation from scientists at King's College London that calcium magnesium acetate (CMA) is ineffective at trapping harmful particulate matter (PM) in most of the locations at risk of breaching the EU Limit Values for PM10?

Evaluation of dust suppressants programme

Question No: 939 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

How do you respond to King's College London's recent evaluation of TfL's Cleaning and Dust Suppressants (CADS) programme, which found that the application of dust suppressant had "no identifiable effect" on ambient PM10 concentrations in more typical roadside locations across London? Do you now regret describing this technology as a "wonderful contraption that tackles air quality head on" which would have an "immediate impact on air quality"?

New Bus for London – vehicle weight

Question No: 941 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

Further to your commitment to roll-out 600 new buses by 2016, are you now in a position to confirm the anticipated kerb weight and maximum gross vehicle weight (GVW) of your new bus for London?

Fire cuts and mayoral directions

Question No: 942 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

Will you give a commitment to consider carefully the responses to the consultation on LSP5 and fire stations closures, together with any resolutions passed by the Fire Authority, before threatening to issue formal directions?

Fire brigade response vehicles

Question No: 943 / 2013

[Stephen Knight](#)

Will you rule out counting a first response to a fire brigade call out by a Mini Cooper in fire brigade colours (Sunday Times Magazine, 24 February 2013) instead requiring a fully-equipped fire engine to attend as the first appliance due within the 6 minute target?

TfL Pensions (1)

Question No: 945 / 2013

[Tony Arbour](#)

Please provide details, in an annual breakdown, of the total cost of the TfL pension scheme since 2004.

TfL Pensions (2)

Question No: 946 / 2013

[Tony Arbour](#)

Please provide details, in an annual breakdown, of the average TfL staff pension contributions since 2004.

TfL Pensions (3)

Question No: 947 / 2013

[Tony Arbour](#)

Please provide details, in an annual breakdown, of the average TfL contribution to employee pensions, since 2004.

Orbital Rail

Question No: 949 / 2013

[Andrew Boff](#)

What long-term plans have you, for orbital rail in OUTER London (eg Bromley was mentioned in your manifesto)?

Light Rail at Old Oak Common

Question No: 950 / 2013

[Andrew Boff](#)

Will you support London Borough of Hammersmith & Fulham and Sir Terry Farrell's proposal for light-rail (DLR) at Old Oak Common.

Design-led Development

Question No: 951 / 2013

[Andrew Boff](#)

A new report from The Princes Foundation for the Built Environment argues that well designed, high quality housing developments, that engage effectively with the local community, can help us speed up the delivery of the new homes (both affordable and in the private sector) that London so desperately needs.

The Highbury Gardens development in Islington, for example, which was built to this philosophy, achieved a 20 per cent premium on the local market rate on the sales of the private housing. The quality of the development made the scheme, with less affordable housing than many developments, commercially viable.

Will you help promote this approach to house building and ensure that projects led by the GLA follow a design and community-led approach?

Tipper Trucks

Question No: 952 / 2013

[Andrew Boff](#)

What are the results of the independent inquiry set up by Peter Hendy in June 2012 into tipper trucks?

Overcrowding and Under Occupancy

Question No: 953 / 2013

[Andrew Boff](#)

How many social homes in each borough are overcrowded and how many are under occupied?

Housing Waiting Lists

Question No: 954 / 2013

[Andrew Boff](#)

How many families are currently on social housing waiting lists in each borough in London?

Trixi Mirrors

Question No: 955 / 2013

[Andrew Boff](#)

How many additional Trixi mirrors have been put up in London in 2013?

Cycling Fatalities

Question No: 956 / 2013

[Andrew Boff](#)

What work is being undertaken by TfL to investigate the causes of cycling fatalities?

Police monitoring of soup kitchens

Question No: 957 / 2013

[Andrew Boff](#)

What do the police do to monitor London's soup kitchens for criminal activity targeting homeless people?

Comparing cases

Question No: 958 / 2013

[Andrew Boff](#)

1. If there is a young person who is being sexually exploited in their home by a gang; and another young person who has been moved around to be sexually exploited by a gang - in what ways would the police treat the two cases differently?
2. If there is an adult who is being sexually exploited in their home by a gang; and another adult who has been moved around to be sexually exploited by a gang - in what ways would the police treat the two cases differently?

Online grooming

Question No: 959 / 2013

[Andrew Boff](#)

1. Have you seen an increase in the number of cases of young people being groomed online?
2. If so, by what percentage has this crime increased in the last two years?

The cost and evidence behind high visibility jackets

Question No: 961 / 2013

[Roger Evans](#)

How much will it cost the MPS to dress the force in high visibility jackets, and is there evidence that this is really value for money?

Motor-vehicle crime in Wanstead and Woodford

Question No: 962 / 2013

[Roger Evans](#)

Many Wanstead and Woodford residents feel that motor vehicle related theft is not adequately tackled by police. When a small number of criminals commit the majority of all crimes, isn't it time the police made more attempts to investigate 'petty' crime?

Predictive Crime Mapping

Question No: 963 / 2013

[Roger Evans](#)

At this month's Budget & Performance Committee, we were informed by guests that predictive crime mapping will be "the future." What steps will you be taking to ensure that the Met is well-placed to benefit from this technology in years to come?

Procurement

Question No: 964 / 2013

[Roger Evans](#)

What steps will you be taking to ensure that the Met's ICT re-procurement is SME friendly?

District Line Closures

Question No: 965 / 2013

[Roger Evans](#)

Examination of the latest line closures programme suggest District line closures for 3 weekends in March, the whole of the Whitsun weekend in May and then at regular intervals through June, July and August that more closures of this stretch of line are required.

Can you please supply me with precise details of what work is to be undertaken during these further closures, and again, why this work could not be completed on any of the other 100 weekends the line has been closed?

Crossrail 2 (1)

Question No: 968 / 2013

[Richard Tracey](#)

The plans for Crossrail 2 have been widely welcomed. Do you agree that Option B that travels out to Twickenham and through Kingston and Surbiton is the strongest proposal?

Crossrail 2 (2)

Question No: 969 / 2013

[Richard Tracey](#)

Will you update the Assembly on the level of planning that has been undertaken by TfL and how soon will it be possible to take a finalised proposal to the DfT?

HS2

Question No: 970 / 2013

[Richard Tracey](#)

Will you update the Assembly on the most recent discussions with the DfT regarding HS2?

Passenger Information

Question No: 971 / 2013

[Richard Tracey](#)

Why is there no passenger information on electronic boards on the Wimbledon branch of the District Line between East Putney and Wimbledon?

Crossrail – Ebbsfleet Extension

Question No: 973 / 2013

[James Cleverly](#)

Given the connectivity to Eurostar and the £2 billion investment into Paramount Park on the Swanscombe Peninsula, do you agree that the case for extending Crossrail to Ebbsfleet is stronger than ever?

RE:FIT

Question No: 974 / 2013

[James Cleverly](#)

What progress is being made with delivery of your RE:FIT programme to retrofit public sector buildings, and what energy cost saving has been made so far in each borough?

Food Apprenticeships

Question No: 975 / 2013

[James Cleverly](#)

Further to your call for the catering industry to take on more apprentices, does the Mayor believe there is a particular role for caterers that serve the public sector to take part in this initiative?

London Plan Housing Targets

Question No: 977 / 2013

[Steve O'Connell](#)

What will be the process and timescale for updating housing targets in the London Plan? Will you ensure that those boroughs that have over-delivered on their current housing targets are not penalised for their success with unreasonably high targets in the next round?

Long-term infrastructure funding

Question No: 978 / 2013

[Steve O'Connell](#)

London First has called on the Government to give City Hall London's share of national tax revenue directly, rather than funnelling it through Whitehall. London First argue that the current arrangements create a "stop-start" situation with regard to funding large infrastructure projects, such as the tube upgrades, making long-term planning difficult. Is this a view that you share? Will the London Finance Commission be considering this proposal?

Outer London Cycling

Question No: 979 / 2013

[Steve O'Connell](#)

The news that TfL is to provide funding to help three outer London boroughs to become "mini-Hollands" is welcome. Will you give strong consideration to picking Croydon and Sutton as two of these boroughs?

DNA profiling

Question No: 982 / 2013

[Victoria Borwick](#)

A recent US survey revealed that DNA profiling and larger databases of profiles are up to 1000 times more cost effective in preventing serious offences, such as murder or rape, than having more police officers in the US. Could the MPS be more effective in utilising DNA databases, forensic archives and other large databases?

River Services

Question No: 984 / 2013

[Victoria Borwick](#)

How many extra services will Londoners enjoy on the Thames from 2nd April?

Homeless veterans

Question No: 985 / 2013

[Gareth Bacon](#)

My colleagues and I are pleased that you will be taking up the issue of homeless veterans in London, following the proposal in the Conservative Group's budget amendment. What will be your first priority in addressing this problem?

LSP5 Public Meetings

Question No: 988 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

After initially vetoing public meetings in the draft LSP5 consultation, will you be attending them, now that we have ensured that they are going ahead, to support the London Fire Brigade Commissioner's proposal to meet your budget cuts?

Undercover Police Surveillance

Question No: 989 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Is it ever permissible for an undercover police officer to engage in an intimate personal relationship with a person under surveillance?

Benefit changes in Enfield and Haringey (1)

Question No: 991 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

As you may be aware, Enfield and Haringey are two of four boroughs in London to be subjected to testing the benefit changes in April before it gets rolled out across London later this year. Given that poverty is already at a high in both Enfield and Haringey, do you believe that the benefit cap is going to adversely affect the already hard hit? What will you be doing to monitor this initial roll-out?

Aviation Noise

Question No: 994 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What have you done to reduce noise irritation for those living under London's flight paths?

Bedroom Tax

Question No: 995 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Given that some 1500 council and housing association housed households in Ealing and over 29,000 households in London will be impacted by the Government's Bedroom Tax, and given the chronic shortage of one and two bed properties in London at affordable rents, with families either having to leave London or pay more for their property, what assessment have you made of the consequences this will have on health inequalities, considering that your Health Inequalities strategy lists "Reduce[ing] income inequality and the negative consequences of relative poverty" as one of your five key objectives?

Consultation

Question No: 998 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Given the Mayor, in response to question 0682/2013, said 'The whole point of a consultation is to hear from the public, but it is not a referendum' what will it take for the Mayor not just to hear what the public says but to take on board the views of Londoners?

Movement of families to outer London

Question No: 1000 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Is the Mayor concerned about reports that school places are already under pressure in Outer London as families move as a direct result of Benefit Changes? What could he do to ensure families on low incomes are not forced out of central London?

Mayor's Digital Advisory Board (1)

Question No: 1001 / 2013

[Jennette Arnold](#)

Can the Mayor provide an update on the plans to re-form the Advisory Board and indicate when the board will hold its first meeting?

Mayor's Digital Advisory Board (2)

Question No: 1002 / 2013

[Jennette Arnold](#)

Will the Mayor ensure that Women in tech are fairly represented on the Advisory Board to act as a beacon to our young women?

Passenger Safety on the Underground (1)

Question No: 1003 / 2013

[Jennette Arnold](#)

Can the Mayor confirm how many members of the public are inadvertently found to be still aboard trains in sidings and depots broken down by each London Underground line?

Passenger Safety on the Underground (2)

Question No: 1004 / 2013

[Jennette Arnold](#)

Will the Mayor investigate reports that London Underground wants Bakerloo line drivers to drive out-of-service trains into depots and sidings without first checking that all passengers have got off the train? Furthermore, if this is LU policy will the Mayor take action now so that potentially vulnerable people who fall asleep on the train are not put at risk?

The London Crime Prevention Fund (Previously Community Safety Fund)

Question No: 1005 / 2013

[Jennette Arnold](#)

What steps has the Mayor taken to publicise the monies available through the London Crime Prevention Fund to local authorities and were previous recipients of funding from the Community Safety Fund invited to bid?

CSR

Question No: 1006 / 2013

[John Biggs](#)

What plans do you have for making a submission to the Government's next Comprehensive Spending Review? How do you propose that this be considered by a. the Assembly and b. the

wider London public and stakeholders?

Ford Closure

Question No: 1007 / 2013

[John Biggs](#)

Further to 209/2013 can you update on your current understanding of the wider employment impact of the closure?

House-building

Question No: 1008 / 2013

[John Biggs](#)

How many homes will be a. started and b. completed in each of my 4 local authority areas a. this year and b. next year, where part of the funding is secured through HCA/City Hall contributions?

Mayor's Fund (1)

Question No: 1009 / 2013

[John Biggs](#)

In your answer to 211/2013 you state that the Mayor's Fund is not subject to MQTs. Are your comments on the fund and its works, which are clearly made in your role as Mayor, subject to any scrutiny or do they exist in a sort of cosmic hole of unaccountability?

Mayor's Fund (2)

Question No: 1010 / 2013

[John Biggs](#)

Given that the Mayor's Fund receives free, or sub-market, concessions from City Hall, how is this justified given the Fund's apparent total independence of your office?

Mayor's Fund (3)

Question No: 1011 / 2013

[John Biggs](#)

On which floor of City Hall is the Mayor's Fund located?

Rehousing Outside London

Question No: 1012 / 2013

[John Biggs](#)

In your response to 213/2013 you state that everything is bound by statutory guidance. What representations have you made, and to whom, expressing any concern at the dislocation of families caused by the interaction of benefit changes and the London rental market?

London LEP

Question No: 1013 / 2013

[John Biggs](#)

What steps are you taking to address the failure of the London LEP to spend, given the vital

need to help London's economy?

Urban Foxes

Question No: 1014 / 2013

[John Biggs](#)

Can you outline the discussions you, or your officers, have had about urban foxes since the recent news story and coverage, including your extensive quotes? What leadership are you offering on this important issue?

Rough Sleeping

Question No: 1015 / 2013

[Tom Copley](#)

Further to question 494/2013, when did you realise you would not meet your pledge to end rough sleeping by the end of 2012

Private rented sector (1)

Question No: 1016 / 2013

[Tom Copley](#)

Further to question 498/2013, is it fair to say that you are happy to praise the size of the German private rented sector and the desirability of it to German tenants whilst completely ignoring the strong rights tenants have on rents and tenancy length that makes it so desirable? If not, why not?

Private rented sector (2)

Question No: 1017 / 2013

[Tom Copley](#)

Do you anticipate that the system of self-regulation you propose in your Housing Covenant would be more or less costly for private sector landlords if it were a statutory system? Please explain your answer.

Homelessness Duty (1)

Question No: 1018 / 2013

[Tom Copley](#)

You have requested that when boroughs discharge their homelessness duty into the private rented sector that they use accredited landlords and secure tenancies that are longer than the statutory requirements. Why will you not be monitoring this?

Homelessness Duty (2)

Question No: 1019 / 2013

[Tom Copley](#)

You have requested that when boroughs discharge their homelessness duty into the private rented sector that they use accredited landlords and secure tenancies that are longer than the statutory requirements. Are enough London landlords accredited for boroughs to be able to do this

Emirates Airline

Question No: 1020 / 2013

[Tom Copley](#)

A constituent has contacted me regarding the Emirates Airline. It was closed on the 25th November due to "adverse weather conditions" despite the weather being fine. Could you tell me what adverse weather conditions caused the Airline to be closed on that particular day?

Allegation of abuse by Police Officers

Question No: 1021 / 2013

[Tom Copley](#)

Will you ask MOPAC to urgently look into allegations that a Trans woman, Jose Dos Santos, was abused by police officers and brutally arrested in Soho on 20th February?

Armed Forces Day

Question No: 1022 / 2013

[Tom Copley](#)

Many councils put on a day of celebration for Armed Forces Day including a march through the town centre. However it has come to my attention that TfL currently charge councils thousands of pounds for the cost of redirecting buses and placing information stands at certain locations. Will you remove this cost from London councils in order to allow them to put on the celebration their armed forces deserve?

Animal Welfare

Question No: 1023 / 2013

[Tom Copley](#)

You recently made an intervention in the debate over fox control in London. Can you outline what your priorities for animal welfare are in London?

'Social cleansing of inner-London boroughs'

Question No: 1024 / 2013

[Tom Copley](#)

I have been asked to put the following question to you by a member of the public:

"Please ask Boris Johnson how he can justify policies that make it very difficult for poorer people to live in Central London boroughs; why he wants London to become so unbalanced and how he can support "social cleansing"?"

TfL seats for disabled people

Question No: 1025 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Further to your response Questions No: 255 / 2013 and No: 518 / 2013, as TfL say that a paying passenger has the right to sit anywhere they wish if there is a free seat, the notices displaying disabled or old people seats are meaningless. Will you look into how these notices can be made enforceable so that people with disabilities or other priority needs have a better chance of getting a seat?

'Bedroom Tax'

Question No: 1026 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

How many families in Barnet, how many in Camden and how many London wide are likely to be affected by cuts to their housing benefit as a result of the bedroom tax, which will cut their benefit if they are considered to have a spare room?

Housing Benefit Cuts

Question No: 1027 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

How many families in Barnet, how many in Camden and how many London wide are likely to be forced to move out of the capital as a result of the housing benefit cuts?

Speed restrictions on TfL roads

Question No: 1028 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Will you look at reducing speed restrictions on A roads as they cross into London to 50 or 40 miles per hour like many towns and cities in continental Europe who have introduced such trunk road restrictions, so as to reduce air and noise pollution and accident risk whilst maintaining traffic flows?

Hampstead Police station

Question No: 1029 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

As Hampstead Police station includes a court room, does ownership of the court room vest in the Ministry of Justice, and if so what discussions have you had with the MOJ over the future of the police station and what share of the proceeds will the MOJ expect if the police station is disposed of?

Police stations

Question No: 1030 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Which of the police stations, which subject to the outcome of the consultation, you plan to be closed or to have public access to their front counters removed have a) custody suites and b) courtrooms attached; and in each case whether they are still available for operational use or not?

Reporting requirements 1

Question No: 1031 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

What arrangements will be made for those who have reporting requirements to attend at a police station whilst on bail, if the counter to which they have been reporting is closed?

Reporting requirements 2

Question No: 1032 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Will those who have reporting requirements to attend at a police station whilst on bail, if the counter to which they have been reporting is closed, be able to report to police contact point?

Police contact points 1

Question No: 1033 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Is it true as I have been informed by a senior police officer that the most recent idea for the location of police contact points is that they will be in police premises after all?

Police contact points 2

Question No: 1034 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Is it true as I have been informed by a senior police officer that the most recent idea for the duration of police contact points opening times is to be 2 hours a week?

Safer Neighbourhood Panels

Question No: 1035 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

What will be the future role and powers of Safer Neighbourhood Panels under the local policing model you are promoting?

Safer Neighbourhood Boards 1

Question No: 1036 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

What will be the future membership, role and powers of Safer Neighbourhood Boards under the local policing model you are promoting?

Safer Neighbourhood Boards 2

Question No: 1037 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Andrew Dismore

How will the members of the Safer Neighbourhood Boards be chosen; election and if so by whom, or appointment and if so by whom, or by what other method?

Your failure to spend £111m

Question No: 1038 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

On 14 February, Business minister Michael Fallon and housing minister Mark Prisk wrote to City Hall outlining their concerns over your failure to spend £111m provided by the Government to you a year ago to invest in infrastructure and other projects. They wrote to City Hall saying: "There is now serious concern around the pace of progress by the LEP in London", and demanded you produce a "growth plan" for the capital by April 2013. What progress are you

making with this and why have you delayed this investment?

West Hampstead Overground

Question No: 1039 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Further to your answer to Question No: 507 / 2013 "Officers are drafting a response which will be sent shortly", which has not yet been received, West Hampstead Overground has received funding from the Department for Transport Access for All for step-free access but on condition that all the money on the station will be spent by March 2014. However, I understand that TfL are not intending to have it spent by then but are delaying in order to dovetail with the adjoining development- which has not even started and where there is currently no planning permission for a new station. Will you ensure that this work is done by the deadline and the money is not lost?

Mill Hill Circus

Question No: 1040 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Further to your answer to Question No 520 / 2013 concerning consultations before the start of the recent road works to "improve" Mill Hill Circus is it correct that there was no public consultation with the general public in the area, and if so, why not?

Stirling Corner 1

Question No: 1041 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Further to your answer to Questions No: 4161 / 2012 "I cycle the whole of London. When I next do Stirling Corner I will give you a report" and answers to 261 / 2013 and No: 522 / 2013 referring back to the that answer and my invitation to you to attempt to go round Stirling Corner on your bike, have you cycled round Stirling Corner yet; if not why not; and if not when do you expect to cycle round Stirling Corner? Or is it that you have no intention of doing so in the foreseeable future and just want to pretend you are a keen cyclist with cyclist concerns at heart?

Barnet Police Numbers 1

Question No: 1042 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

As of 31st January 2013, how many full time sworn police officers were there in Barnet; how many special constables; how many PCSOs; how many sergeants; how many non PCSO civilian staff were there; what were the comparable figures for 1st May 2010, and 31st January 2012; and what do you expects the figures to be on 31st January 2014?

Barnet Police Numbers 2

Question No: 1043 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

As of 31st January 2013, what were the strength of each of the SNTs in Barnet, broken down by officer ranks and types; what were the comparable figures for 1st May 2010, and 31st January 2012; and what he expects the figures to be on 31st January 2014?

Camden Police Numbers 1

Question No: 1044 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

As of 31st January 2013, how many full time sworn police officers were there in Camden; how many special constables; how many PCSOs; how many sergeants; how many non PCSO civilian staff were there; what were the comparable figures for 1st May 2010, and 31st January 2012; and what do you expects the figures to be on 31st January 2014?

Barnet Police numbers 3

Question No: 1045 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

How many i) officers and ii) PCSOs were there in Barnet's Safer Transport Team in May 2010 and how many are there now in each category?

Camden Police Numbers 2

Question No: 1046 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

As of 31st January 2013, what were the strength of each of the SNTs in Camden, broken down by officer ranks and types; what were the comparable figures for 1st May 2010, and 31st January 2012; and what he expects the figures to be on 31st January 2014?

Camden Police numbers 3

Question No: 1047 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

How many i) officers and ii) PCSOs were there in Camden's Safer Transport Team in May 2010 and how many are there now in each category?

Former Colindale Hospital site

Question No: 1048 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

What action do you propose to take against Barnet Council in respect of the development on the former Colindale Hospital site, not meeting your own proposed target of 40% affordable homes?

Thameslink

Question No: 1049 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

What representations do you propose to make to First Capital Connect after Thameslink was voted worst rail franchise in the country by commuters?

Thameslink #2

Question No: 1050 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Do you join the MP for Hendon in welcoming the extension of the First Capital Connect Thameslink franchise?

Thameslink #3

Question No: 1051 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

What message do you have for residents in Barnet & Camden who are frequent users of the Thameslink service?

Brent Cross Cricklewood

Question No: 1052 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Do you still consider the Brent Cross Cricklewood development scheme to be “dead in the water”? Are you no longer supporting a mixed new town centre, but merely an out-of-town, car-based retail and leisure expansion that may harm surrounding high streets?

Northern Line #1

Question No: 1053 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

My constituents were told early last year that the new countdown digital displays on the Northern Line platforms at Kings Cross would be operational “hopefully before the Olympics”. Was that the London Olympics, or the Rio Olympics?

Northern Line #2

Question No: 1054 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Do you share my concern about the unacceptable low headroom on the Northern Line platforms at Kings Cross? Is there an intention of allowing step-free access between platforms and trains at all other Northern Line stations?

Northern Line #3

Question No: 1055 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Longer term, are replacement Northern Line trains likely to be capable of having lower floors, so that the original platform levels can be restored, and step-free access can become available the whole length of the platforms?

343 Bus Fire

Question No: 1056 / 2013

[Len Duvall](#)

When will the investigation into the 343 bus fire in March 2012 at New Cross be published?

343 Bus

Question No: 1057 / 2013

[Len Duvall](#)

Will the Mayor consider prioritising the 343 for new environmentally friendly buses in the next contractual negotiations, so that residents in Telegraph Hill can benefit from the automatic

cut-off of engines?

Congestion Charge Payment Websites

Question No: 1058 / 2013

[Len Duvall](#)

How does TfL actively monitor for bogus or commission charging websites facilitating the payment of the congestion charge?

91 Bus

Question No: 1059 / 2013

[Len Duvall](#)

I have received a number of complaints from residents in South East London about the poor frequency of the 91 bus at Charing Cross station. What percentage of 91s terminate at Aldwych as opposed to Trafalgar Square, and what steps have TfL taken to ensure connectivity with buses at Charing Cross?

Dance in South East London

Question No: 1060 / 2013

[Len Duvall](#)

Does the Mayor welcome the successful joint bid for Arts Council funding by Trinity Laban and Greenwich Dance to create a performance hub, increasing the available space in and world-class reputation of south east London as a centre for dance?

286 Bus

Question No: 1061 / 2013

[Len Duvall](#)

Due to regular reports of overcrowding in Blackheath, will the Mayor instruct TfL to investigate the cost of introducing increased frequencies or a double decker service in the morning peak?

132 Bus

Question No: 1062 / 2013

[Len Duvall](#)

Will the Mayor instruct TfL to investigate the cost of increased frequencies in the morning peak?

181 Bus

Question No: 1063 / 2013

[Len Duvall](#)

There are ongoing complaints about bus route 181 – a single deck neighbourhood service – being overcrowded, particularly during the morning peak, and there are concerns that the new housing developments at Bell Green and Southend Lane will exacerbate this. What monitoring has been taking place on this route and what are the conclusions and has any consideration been given to using larger vehicles on this route (though clearly Southend Lane Bridge precludes the use of double deck vehicles)?

356 Bus

Question No: 1064 / 2013

[Len Duvall](#)

There have been complaints about drivers on route 356 not stopping correctly at bus stops, particularly along the last stretch of the route along Perry Rise, en route to Sainsbury's at Bell Green. Traffic is often very heavy along Perry Rise and drivers have been reportedly letting passengers alight while stopped in traffic, rather than at designated stops. Not only is this dangerous but older or less mobile passengers can have difficulty alighting when not at a bus stop. Please could this be investigated?

Catford Police station

Question No: 1065 / 2013

[Len Duvall](#)

What are the Met's long term plans for Catford Police Station? Are there any plans to consider closing it in the foreseeable future?

Planning gain (1)

Question No: 1066 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Clause 6 in the Growth and Infrastructure Bill would extend by three years the ability of developers to renegotiate existing Section 106 agreements, ultimately requiring developers to provide a lower level of affordable housing in exchange for the right to develop. Do you agree with the government that allowing developers to drop affordable housing requirements is the right way forward, or is this simply an unjustified gift to developers?

Planning gain (2)

Question No: 1067 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Have you assessed what impact renegotiating existing Section 106 agreements under Clause 6 of the Growth and Infrastructure Bill would have on London?

Planning gain (3)

Question No: 1068 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Have you made any representations to government on Clause 6 of the Growth and Infrastructure Bill?

Eileen House (1)

Question No: 1069 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Why did you delay once again the public hearing for your decision on Eileen House?

Eileen House (2)

Question No: 1070 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

When do you expect to announce a new date for the public hearing on Eileen House?

Change of use permitted development rights

Question No: 1071 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

You wrote to the Communities Secretary requesting exemptions for the Central Activities Zone and other particular areas of inner London, to the new permitted development rights from B1(a) to C3. Why did you not support the requests of other London boroughs, particularly those in outer London, which also asked for exemptions?

Mayoral CIL

Question No: 1072 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Planning Magazine research has found that receipts from London boroughs to the Mayoral CIL are expected to total between £5 million and £6 million in 2012/2013, less than half of the £14.6 million estimate. At this rate, it will take 60 years to raise the £300 million towards the cost of Crossrail that you plan to raise via CIL. What action are you taking on this?

Affordable Housing (1)

Question No: 1073 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

How many affordable housing starts in each year from 2012/13 onwards do you estimate will be social rented?

Affordable Housing (2)

Question No: 1074 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

You have previously said you will put forward proposals for the model of affordable housing pursued by the government post-2015. What update can you provide on this?

Private Renting

Question No: 1075 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Is the private rented sector a perfectly competitive market?

Stalled developments

Question No: 1076 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

What has the Mayor done to unlock the estimated 170,000 stalled developments in London?

Housing Association Borrowing (1)

Question No: 1077 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

What would be the impact of an increase in borrowing costs for housing associations on a) the deliverability of the Mayor's 2011/15 affordable housing programme and b) the rents charged by housing associations?

Housing Association Borrowing (2)

Question No: 1078 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Are the borrowing arrangements required to fund the 2011/15 affordable housing programme in London all in place? Please provide an update.

2011/15 Affordable Housing Programme

Question No: 1079 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

The funding arrangements for affordable housing were changed for the 2011/15 programme so that registered providers received a set sum to deliver a certain number of affordable housing units during the programme period. What would be the financial implications for registered providers if they fail to deliver the number of agreed homes within the contract timeframe?

London Plan (1)

Question No: 1080 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Would you rule out calling in a planning application for a housing site if it were shown not to be maximising affordable housing?

Affordable Housing Models

Question No: 1081 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Further to question 554/2013, do the powers and budgets transferred to the Mayor allow the Mayor to develop London-specific affordable housing programmes that diverge from national policy on key issues such as tenure and rents from 2015 onwards?

London Rental Standard

Question No: 1082 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Have the currently existing accreditation schemes already indicated that they will sign up to the London Rental Standard?

Housing Association credit downgrade

Question No: 1083 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Do you agree that the recent credit rating downgrade of housing associations highlights the looming disaster that is the government's welfare reform programme – particularly on the key

issue of ending direct payment of rents to social landlords?

Bedroom tax

Question No: 1084 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Are there enough social rented homes of the right size available in London for under-occupied households to move into after the bedroom tax is introduced in April?

Empty Homes

Question No: 1085 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Do you support the proposal by the Charter Institute of Housing that landlords buying empty homes to bring them back into use should be exempt from paying stamp duty?

House Builder Profits

Question No: 1086 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

In February both Barratt Homes and Persimmon announced large increases in pre-tax profits at a time when private enterprise housing starts are still only around half the level they were nationally pre the financial crash. Do you believe house builders have a vested interest in limiting supply in order to increase house prices and their own profit margins?

Vauxhall Sky Gardens

Question No: 1087 / 2013

[Nicky Gavron](#)

I have been asked to put the following question to you by a member of the public:

“The impact of the cuts on the LHA plus the lack of affordable housing generally is pushing people out. I live in Vauxhall in the VNEB area where there is a huge proliferation of residential skyscrapers, the latest one, Vauxhall Sky Gardens, wants to opt out of providing ANY social housing. Their planning application approval was approved by Lambeth Council on the basis that they would provide some social housing but what can be done if they want to change this?

This is a quote from Boris...

“The last thing we want to have in our city is a situation such as Paris where the less well-off are pushed out to the suburbs. I’ll emphatically resist any attempt to recreate a London where the rich and poor cannot live together.””

Sapphire Unit (1)

Question No: 1088 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What are the current supervisory ratios in the Sapphire Unit?

Sapphire Unit (2)

Question No: 1089 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What proposals are in place to change these supervisory ratios?

IT training for Recruits

Question No: 1090 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Can you provide a list of the organisations that have reviewed and approved the Met's online training packages on dealing with people with mental health issues and learning disabilities?

Operation Nexus/Terminus (1)

Question No: 1091 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Is it the case that Met officers have been trained to assess the immigration status of those in custody?

Operation Nexus/Terminus (2)

Question No: 1092 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

If Met officers have been trained to assess immigration status of those in custody please outline where do these officers come from – central command, or Borough teams? Please provide a breakdown of the proportion of officers trained from central command or borough-based teams.

Operation Nexus/Terminus (3)

Question No: 1093 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

If Met officers have been trained to assess immigration status of those in custody please outline the direct support these officers are receiving from the United Kingdom Border Agency (UKBA)?

Operation Nexus/Terminus (4)

Question No: 1094 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

How many UK Border Agency staff are currently working in custody suites in London?

Operation Nexus/Terminus (5)

Question No: 1095 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Is it the case that all individuals now taken into custody have their immigration status checked?

Operation Nexus/Terminus (6)

Question No: 1096 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Under what circumstances would a victim of crime or a witness to a crime have their immigration status checked by the Metropolitan Police?

Operation Nexus/Terminus (7)

Question No: 1097 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What effect is this Operation having on the confidence of BAME groups and migrant communities in the police?

Operation Nexus/Terminus (8)

Question No: 1098 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Please provide a copy of the Equality Impact Assessment that was done on Operation Nexus/Terminus?

Operation Nexus/Terminus (9)

Question No: 1099 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

How much is Operation Nexus/Terminus costing?

Operation Nexus/Terminus (10)

Question No: 1100 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Is it the case that the MPS plans to roll out Operation Nexus on a permanent basis? If so, what evaluation is being done of Operation Nexus to support these plans and through what mechanisms is this evaluation been carried out?

Operation Nexus/Terminus (11)

Question No: 1101 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Please answer both parts of this question

- a) How many police officers from foreign forces are currently seconded to the MPS under Operation Nexus?
- b) Are these officers operating within boroughs or are they part of a central command?

Operation Nexus/Terminus (12)

Question No: 1102 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What evaluation is being done on the success of using officers from foreign forces within the MPS, please will you share the results of this evaluation

Police Safer Neighbourhood Boards

Question No: 1103 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

You have previously stated that your proposed safer neighbourhood boards will deal with police complaints. Do you envisage these boards having a purely monitoring role or a decision making role as is proposed by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Avon & Somerset who has

announced a residents' panel will determine whether complaints are to be investigated or not?

Section 50 Police Reform Act 2002 (1)

Question No: 1104 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Can you please provide a breakdown of stops made by the MPS under Section 50 for the past 3 financial years, including 2012/13 to date?

Section 50 Police Reform Act 2002 (2)

Question No: 1105 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Can you please provide a breakdown of arrests made by the MPS under Section 50 for the past 3 financial years, including 2012/13 to date?

Section 50 Police Reform Act 2002 (3)

Question No: 1106 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Can you please provide a breakdown of stops made by the MPS under Section 50 for the past 3 financial years, including 2012/13 to date, broken down by ethnicity?

Section 50 Police Reform Act 2002 (4)

Question No: 1107 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Can you please provide a breakdown of arrests made by the MPS under Section 50 for the past 3 financial years, including 2012/13 to date, broken down by ethnicity?

PR for Estate Strategy(1)

Question No: 1108 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Do you think Londoners will agree that it is reasonable for you to spend £800,000 on PR promoting the sell-off of local police stations?

PR for Estate Strategy(2)

Question No: 1109 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

How many police officers over three years would £800,000 pay for?

Food Poverty in Enfield (1)

Question No: 1110 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Following your response to Question No: 591 / 2013, I understand that the three year scheme from the Mayor's Fund for London and Magic Breakfast aims to be implemented to all schools in the capital where at least half of pupils qualify for free school meals. Could you tell me when you expect the scheme to be rolled out to schools in Enfield?

Food Poverty in Enfield (2)

Question No: 1111 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Do you believe that when the benefit changes are implemented this April, food poverty will increase in Enfield? What work have you done to understand the impact of benefit changes on the levels of food poverty in Enfield and across London?

Food Poverty in Haringey (1)

Question No: 1112 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Following your response to Question No: 591 / 2013, I understand that the three year scheme from the Mayor's Fund for London and Magic Breakfast aims to be implemented to all schools in the capital where at least half of pupils qualify for free school meals. Could you tell me when you expect the scheme to be rolled out to schools in Haringey?

Food Poverty in Haringey (2)

Question No: 1113 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Do you believe that when the benefit changes are implemented this April, food poverty will increase in Haringey? What work have you done to understand the impact of benefit changes on the levels of food poverty in Haringey and across London?

Child Poverty – Enfield & Haringey

Question No: 1114 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

The End Child Poverty Campaign published new figures in February 2013 for child poverty in London which contained some shocking figures, particularly for Enfield and Haringey. What action are you taking to address the appalling numbers of children living in poverty in London?

Child Poverty in Enfield

Question No: 1115 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Enfield has the sixth highest number of children living in poverty within London according to the report published by End Child Poverty this month with 29 per cent of children in Enfield below the poverty line. Do you expect figures to increase once the benefit changes are implemented in April? What action are you taking to mitigate the effects of benefit changes on the most vulnerable?

Child Poverty in Haringey

Question No: 1116 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Haringey has the joint-third highest number of children living in poverty within London according to the report published by End Child Poverty this month with 30 per cent of children in Haringey below the poverty line. It is estimated that 1880 households with children in part time work in Haringey will lose £3,870 a year in working tax credits, affecting 500 children in

the borough as a result of the benefit changes coming into effect this April. Do you expect figures to increase once the benefit changes are implemented in April? What action are you taking to mitigate the effects of benefit changes on the most vulnerable?

Housing Benefit in Enfield (1)

Question No: 1117 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Enfield is facing the third biggest increase at 29 per cent across London in the number of people renting in the private sector who are claiming housing benefit. Do you think that this shows that living in the suburbs of London is becoming increasingly unaffordable?

Housing Benefit in Enfield (2)

Question No: 1118 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Do you agree with the shadow member for housing in Enfield that the Council “needs to start exploring the option of housing families in cheaper areas outside the borough and outside the M25”, moving people away from their families, work and local communities?

Benefit changes in Enfield and Haringey

Question No: 1119 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

As you may be aware, Enfield and Haringey are two of four boroughs in London to be subjected to testing the benefit changes in April before it gets rolled out across London later this year. Given that poverty is already at a high in both Enfield and Haringey, do you believe that the benefit cap is going to adversely affect the already hard hit? What will you be doing to monitor this initial roll-out?

Benefit changes in Haringey

Question No: 1120 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Haringey already has high levels of deprivation and competition for jobs, the third-highest eviction and repossession rate in the UK and is one of 10 local authorities that will be hardest hit by the total benefit cap. The roll out of the Benefit Cap in Haringey is expected to affect more than 1,000 households. What preparations have you undertaken to ensure that my local residents are not going to become homeless as a result of the benefit changes?

Gritting icy roads

Question No: 1121 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

A resident has written to me to complain that not all roads are gritted at the same time in the same when it is icy as a result of TfL gritting red routes and the Local Authority being responsible for the rest. The resident asks whether it would be better for TfL to pay the Local Authority to grit the red routes at the same time. What are your views on this suggestion? What liaison and joint-working is there between TfL and local authorities before and during periods of icy weather?

Welfare reform and refuge services

Question No: 1122 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Women's Aid believe that the cap on housing benefit will affect their services detrimentally as the refuge service will have to chase individual survivors for rent rather than it coming direct to the landlord, some housing costs would be met and others not, and some survivors receiving refuge rent via Universal Credit for dual housing costs (rents for a former home and for the refuge service) would inevitably be capped, and others not (estimated 45% survivors receive this). What action will you take to ensure that these vital services in London are not detrimentally affected by the cap on housing benefit?

Welfare reform and loan sharks

Question No: 1123 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

With a number of people affected by the welfare reforms, and the disproportionately high number of betting shops and loan sharks in Haringey, what further action are you taking to ensure that we will not see an increase in people turning to these to recover money lost?

Impact of welfare reforms on women

Question No: 1124 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

As the income for many Londoners will decrease as a result of the benefit changes being implemented in April 2013, childcare being already unaffordable for many and public sector pay restraints and cuts disproportionately affecting women, what action are you mitigate the effect of welfare reforms on women?

Safer Neighbourhood Bases (1)

Question No: 1125 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Please provide a list of all Safer Neighbourhood Bases across London, broken down by Borough outlining which Safer Neighbourhood Teams are based there and whether they currently have a front counter open to the public.

Safer Neighbourhood Bases (2)

Question No: 1126 / 2013

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Please provide a list of all Safer Neighbourhood Bases across London, broken down by Borough outlining whether the base is currently in use or not.

Litter

Question No: 1127 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Do you support Waltham Forest in introducing fines for antisocial actions such as spitting and urinating in the streets? Would you welcome the policy being introduced by more London boroughs?

Biodiversity

Question No: 1128 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

The Mayor's Biodiversity Strategy ('Connecting with London's nature') was published in July 2002 and has not been updated since. What intention do you have to revisit this strategy, particularly in the light of your recent comments on the "growing menace" of urban foxes?

Ambient Noise

Question No: 1129 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

The Mayor's Ambient Noise Strategy ('Sounder City') was published in March 2004 and has not been updated since. What intention do you have to revisit this strategy?

Talk London

Question No: 1130 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

There seems to be little activity on the Talk London initiative on the Environment. What is being done to engage Londoners in this debate?

Fuel Poverty and Health

Question No: 1131 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How will the Mayor help ensure that fuel poverty is taken as a key priority in the new council-led Health and Well Boards from 1 April 2013?

Fuel Poor Families

Question No: 1132 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Recent analysis by the Energy Bill Revolution has estimated that 174,000 children in London are living in fuel poor households. How is the RE:NEW programme helping specifically those households with children? The analysis also identified that those households most vulnerable were in the Private Rented Sector (PRS). How many PRS households have been treated by the RE:NEW programme to date?

Energy Efficient Private Rented Sector

Question No: 1133 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Will you be looking to push London's private rented sector energy efficiency targets above the Government's weak 2016 and 2018 requirements in your forthcoming London Rental Standard?

Anaerobic Digestion

Question No: 1134 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many anaerobic digestion plants have been added to the London Waste and Recycling Board's (LWARB) infrastructure pool in 2012?

London Energy Efficiency Fund

Question No: 1135 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Can you provide a summary on the number of applications currently being considered by the London Energy Efficiency Fund (LEEF)?

Funding (1)

Question No: 1136 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How much funding is to be directed to the RE:NEW programme in your 2013/14 budget?

Funding (2)

Question No: 1137 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How much funding is to be directed to the RE:FIT programme in your 2013/14 budget?

Funding (3)

Question No: 1138 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How much funding is to be directed to the Better Buildings Partnership programme in your 2013/14 budget?

Funding (4)

Question No: 1139 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How much funding is to be directed to the RE:CONNECT programme in your 2013/14 budget?

Brixton Energy

Question No: 1140 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Has the Mayor's Environmental Advisor visited the Brixton Energy solar projects as yet?

Bunhill CHP

Question No: 1141 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Has the Mayor's Environmental Advisor visited Islington's Bunhill CHP scheme as yet?

High Level Electricity Working Group

Question No: 1142 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Did the Mayor's Environment Advisor attend the first meeting of the High Level Electricity Working Group?

Visits by Mayoral Advisors

Question No: 1143 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

At which events has the Mayor's Environment Advisor presented at this year?

Green Deal (1)

Question No: 1144 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Can you report on the level of Green Deal activity in London over the past month?

Green Deal (2)

Question No: 1145 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Is the Greater London Authority registered as a Green Deal Provider? If not - why not?

Green Deal (3)

Question No: 1146 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What plans are in place to spend the £5,627,342 DECC Green Deal and Fuel Poverty funding awarded to the GLA by the end of this month? What will happen to any funds left unspent by the end of the month?

Decentralised Energy

Question No: 1147 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Further to Mayoral Question 0633/2013 which set out that current decentralised energy project work is "supporting the development of an additional 22 projects with an estimated total investment value of £304 million" - can you provide the locations in London and brief details on all of these 22 projects?

RE:NEW Framework

Question No: 1148 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

With reference to Mayoral Question 0631/2013, which housing associations have used the RE:NEW framework to install photovoltaics and where are these installations?

GLA Publications

Question No: 1149 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Mayoral Question 4248/2012 stated that you would "continue to make the GLA more transparent to Londoners and ensure that GLA and Mayoral responses to government and regulator consultations and select committee inquiries are published on the 'Latest Publications' page of the GLA website from now on". Can you list what responses have been so far in 2013 and also explain why the 'Latest Publications' page on the GLA website has been removed since

this question was answered? Can the 'Latest Publications' page be reinstated?

ECO

Question No: 1150 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Further to MQ 0595/2013 has the DECC Secretary of State replied to your letter about establishing a regional London Energy Company Obligation (ECO) target? Can your letter and any response be published on the GLA website?

RE:FIT

Question No: 1151 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What has been the RE:FIT budget for the each of years from 2008 onwards; when was the last evaluation report of RE:FIT made? When will the next RE:FIT evaluation report be published?

RE:NEW Evaluation Report (1)

Question No: 1152 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

The RE:NEW evaluation report was originally set for publication in November 2012. MQ 0376/2013 stated its publication would be delayed, and published by the end of February 2013, however, it has not been posted as yet on the GLA website. What is the reason for this further delay and when will the report be published?

RE:NEW Evaluation Report (2)

Question No: 1153 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Was the production of the RE:NEW evaluation report outsourced? If it was, who undertook the project for the GLA and how much did this project cost?

Whittington Hospital cuts

Question No: 1154 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Your answer to my question 606 / 2013 indicates you have misunderstood the situation. Part of the controversy is precisely that the Whittington Board has NOT put their plans out for consultation. Labour AMs would welcome a consultation and have written to the Board to request this. Will you join with us and make the same request of the Whittington's Board?

Nicholson Challenge

Question No: 1155 / 2013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How will the London Health Board determine what constitutes the "proper resourcing of the London health economy"? (reference to Mayor's Question 608 / 2013).

Personal Independence Payments

Question No: 1156 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

What assessment has the Mayor made on the impact of the abolition of the Disability Living Allowance, and its replacement with the Personal Independence Payment will have on his health inequalities strategy, and does he share my concern that the target of reducing costs by 20% risks making those with disabilities less independent than before?

Localisation of the Discretionary Social Fund

Question No: 1157 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Does the Mayor share my concerns that the localisation and de-ring-fencing of the Discretionary Social Fund is at risk of letting down Londoners by either allowing Councils to use the funds to subsidise other council services, or penalising the residents of Council's that have greater need?

Tackling Childhood Obesity

Question No: 1158 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Given that you have agreed to fund a programme to tackle childhood obesity over the next three years, can the Mayor outline the work programme of the Healthy Schools programme for the next financial year, and how will you measure its success?

Tackling Obesity

Question No: 1159 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Given that you have agreed to fund a programme to tackle childhood obesity over the next three years, can the Mayor detail how the mayor intends to combat obesity in adults?

Cancer Prevention

Question No: 1160 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Considering the Mayor lists Cancer Prevention as one of his key health priorities for his second term (MQT 1398/2012) and considering London Councils Leaders in February did not agree to fund a pan-London programme to promote cancer prevention, can the Mayor make clear what other organisations, mentioned in his answer to MQT 0415/2013, he is negotiating with?

Tackling Alcohol Dependency

Question No: 1161 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Considering the Mayor lists tackling alcohol dependency as one of his key health priorities for his second term (MQT 1398/2012) and considering London Councils Leaders in February did not agree to fund a pan-London programme to tackle alcohol dependency, can the Mayor make clear what other organisations, mentioned in his answer to MQT 0415/2013, he is negotiating with?

LHB Nominations (1)

Question No: 1162 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Who will the Mayor nominate to the four Mayoral appointments on the newly agreed London Health Board, and will his appointments ensure that the desire from London Councils to maintain a politically accountable board are met?

LHB Nominations (2)

Question No: 1163 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

How does the Mayor intend to ensure that an NHS user-voice is represented on the London Health Board?

LHB Nominations (3)

Question No: 1164 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

How will the Mayor ensure that the Public/Health charitable sector views are represented on the London Health Board?

LHB Nominations (4)

Question No: 1165 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

How will the Mayor ensure that practical, coalface experience clinicians have their views represented at the London Health Board, and not just the same voices of NHS bureaucracy, given that his own Government's reforms were designed to make clinicians leaders in the health service?

LHB Work Plan

Question No: 1166 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Given the desire of Conservative Leaders of London Boroughs at the last London Councils Leaders Committee to give the LHB a clean slate from which to start, as Chair, what priorities does the Mayor envisage the Board working towards?

Modal Shift in West London (1)

Question No: 1167 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Given that the Mayor did not answer my last question on Modal Shift in West London (MQT 644/2013) will he answer a much narrower question and detail how many of his Stage 1 statements on developments of strategic importance have been determined not to comply with the London Plan on the basis of excess parking provision undermining modal shift to public transport in the London Borough of Hillingdon in 20012/13?

Modal Shift in West London (2)

Question No: 1168 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Given that the Mayor has previously altered the route of the U7 bus to serve the residents of Hayes End, why will he not consider extending its route the short distance along Yeading Lane, as local residents have requested in order to connect them easily with Hillingdon Hospital?

Heathrow Spur

Question No: 1169 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Does the Mayor agree with the Government's decision to suspend planning for the Heathrow Spur element of HS2 and what representations has he made to the Department of Transport on this issue?

Air Passenger Duty

Question No: 1170 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

What representations has the Mayor made to the government over Air Passenger Duty in advance of the forthcoming Budget?

Heathrow Train Fares

Question No: 1171 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Will the Mayor agree to the call by Ealing Passenger Transport Users' Group and conduct a full review of public transport costs from between Paddington to Heathrow including the use of the Oyster card beyond Hayes & Harlington station, in order to relieve pressure on the already overcrowded Piccadilly Line?

NHS NWL Closures

Question No: 1172 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Given that the JCPCT has now resolved to close four Accident and Emergency units, is he disappointed that the views of local GPs, clinicians, 10,000 residents who marched against the proposals and 100,000 people who signed the petition against the proposals, in addition to his own representations have been ignored?

HS2 Compensation Consultation

Question No: 1173 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Did the Mayor respond to the HS2 Consultations, "Property & Compensation for London – West Midlands" and "Safeguarding for London – West Midlands" and will he make them publically available, and does he agree that they are unfair and deeply flawed?

London Underground - Bakerloo Line

Question No: 1174 / 2013

[Navin Shah](#)

London Underground has forbidden drivers on the Bakerloo Line from checking to see that their trains are empty before they take them into depots and sidings. On other lines, staff check the train is empty first. You may recall that last September a boy got out of a train that had carried him into Queen's Park depot. He wandered around on live track until he was rescued by the driver. Will you ask London Underground to reverse their decision to forbid drivers on the Bakerloo Line from checking to see whether trains are empty before they take them to the depot?

West House

Question No: 1175 / 2013

[Navin Shah](#)

There was recently a public consultation regarding the proposed future work on West House, in the downstairs gallery of West House. This is major and very interesting project. Will you be able to meet with the key people behind the budget to discuss funding?

Bus Routes

Question No: 1176 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please list all bus routes that have had their service reduced in the last six months.

Clapham Road pedestrian crossing

Question No: 1177 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Further to my question a year ago (0519/2012) I am disappointed to note that the promised review and briefing has still not materialised over a year later. When will the results of TfL's work at this location be made available to me and the local residents?

Safer Neighbourhood Team bases

Question No: 1178 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please provide a list of the addresses of police premises where dedicated officers for each ward in Lambeth and Southwark will be based following the implementation of your Policing and Crime Plan.

Police facilities

Question No: 1179 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What facilities will be provided for police officers working in the Dulwich area of Southwark in the event that they need to conduct a private interview with a member of the public or victim of crime? Where will residents of Dulwich be expected to go in order to report a crime following the implementation of your policing and crime proposals?

Community Festival support

Question No: 1180 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What support, including financial, are you as Mayor providing for the organisers of community festivals who, like many Londoners are feeling the pinch of austerity but are keen for popular events to continue?

Kings College Hospital

Question No: 1181 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What do you think the impact will be on A&E, paediatric A&E and maternity services at Kings College Hospital cause by the proposed downgrading of A&E and maternity services at Lewisham Hospital?

Peckham Fire Station

Question No: 1182 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Do you consider that removing an appliance from Peckham Fire Station may negatively impact on the ability of the fire service to respond to major incidents in the area, such as the Lakanal House fire?

Gipsy Hill police station

Question No: 1183 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Following the proposed closure of Gipsy Hill police station, please indicate where officers covering the Safer Neighbourhood Teams currently operating from there will be based post-closure?

Bus services in Tulse Hill

Question No: 1185 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

I have received ongoing complaints from a resident in Tulse Hill, who tells me that despite assurances to the contrary from TfL, she commonly has to wait for a bus (Craignair Road bus stop) for over 15 minutes while full buses go past without stopping. What plans to TfL have to review and tackle this problem?

Lewisham Hospital travel

Question No: 1186 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Following the Secretary of State for Health's statement last month regarding the future of Lewisham Hospital, please outline any discussions between the Department of Health/Special Administrator's Office and TfL regarding changes to bus services to reflect the proposed service provision changes at various South London hospitals.

TfL and Bailiffs

Question No: 1187 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

I was horrified to recently have dealt with a case whereby bailiffs appointed by TfL had relentlessly pursued a constituent of mine regarding a fine relating to a vehicle she had sold over a year previously. This was despite the constituent repeatedly providing proof of the sale. She was caused considerable stress and TfL have failed to apologise for the error. What standards do TfL expect their appointed bailiffs to abide by and how is this monitored?

London Bridge Station rebuild

Question No: 1188 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What discussions have TfL held with Network Rail in advance of the – welcome – rebuild of London Bridge station in terms of ticketing and changes to journeys for passengers who will have to change trains or mode to access London Bridge while various rail services are not able to stop there? Some passengers have raised concerns with me that they will need to pay extra fares on the tube or bus which they do not need to pay now because of the work. Are there plans to mitigate this possibility?

Vauxhall Gyrotory

Question No: 1189 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please confirm that the proposed works to improve Vauxhall Gyrotory will now be based on a return to two-way working.

Clapham Society

Question No: 1190 / 2013

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

The latest edition of the Clapham Society's newsletter states that the closure of Clapham Fire Station will 'leave Clapham without a local fire station for the first time in 150 years. It seems that the Mayor is not prepared to countenance a public consultation and the risk assessment that would be part of it. Even if it were true that the added journey time from the next nearest fire station will not exceed four minutes, four minutes can make all the difference'. What reassurance can you offer members of the Clapham Society in this regard?

Cuts to police and police stations

Question No: 1191 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

A constituent has asked me to ask whether Croydon will be safe with fewer police and fewer police stations. What reassurance will the Mayor offer on this point?

Police Cuts

Question No: 1192 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

A constituent has asked me to ask you why it is the poorest boroughs that are disproportionately facing the highest levels of cuts to police front counters when it is these areas that are most affected by crime?

Credit Unions in London

Question No: 1193 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Does the Mayor welcome the more proactive approach taken by London Mutual in promoting lower interest credit? What more will he do to promote credit unions in London?

A&E closures in London

Question No: 1194 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

With reference to proposed A&E closures and the Mayor's response to a previous question (0677/2013), who precisely has the Mayor sought 'assurances' from in relation to the London A&E closures and what 'assurances' has the Mayor received on whether:

- The proposals are clinically led and based on the best clinical evidence
- The proposals will not adversely affect the health of the local population
- The public's views have been taken in to account
- Data from consultation with TfL is realistic in relation to patient behaviour and has been taken in to account
- There will be sufficient capacity in the rest of the health system to cope with the changes proposed.

Croydon Family Justice Centre

Question No: 1195 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Is the Mayor aware that 1000 people are helped by the Croydon Family Justice Centre every month and that there are currently 117 women and 64 children on the waiting list for support? Given this and the fact that Croydon has the highest reported rate of domestic violence in London, will the Mayor support the campaign to stop the closure of the centre and what will he do to persuade Croydon Council to retain its funding of the centre and stop the cuts to its budget?

Equality Impact Assessment on Police and Crime Plan

Question No: 1196 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

A constituent has asked me to ask at what point in the process of consultation was an equality impact assessment carried out on the Police and Crime Plan? Will the equality impact assessment and the criteria used be published and will it be on a borough by borough basis to ensure the needs of particular communities are reflected in the outcome of the equality impact assessment?

Increase in rent arrears

Question No: 1197 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Given pilots on direct payment to tenants of Local Housing Allowance saw a fall in collection rates from 97% to 92%, what increase in rent arrears does the Mayor envisage seeing as a result of the benefit changes and what impact does he see this having on housing associations, local

councils and on tenants? What is he doing to lessen the impact of any changes in the level of rent arrears?

Housing crisis in London

Question No: 1198 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Does the Mayor agree with Matt Peacock, the Group Communications Director of Vodafone, who said that "It does feel sometimes that the city is on the edge of a housing crisis where the rental market is grossly under-supplied, over-priced"? What more will the Mayor do to ensure that businesses do not struggle to attract their employees to work in London due to the crisis in housing in London both in relation to executives and in relation to average or lower paid employees?

Access to private rented accommodation for benefit claimants

Question No: 1199 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Given taxpayers have to cover the cost of emergency accommodation for benefit claimants and access to private rented accommodation is extremely limited in London (for example Shelter has found only 1.6% of shared accommodation is available to benefit claimants), what has the Mayor done and what will the Mayor do, to persuade mortgage lenders not to place restrictions on private landlords to prevent them renting properties to benefit claimants?

Lakanal Inquest

Question No: 1200 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Will any recommendations by the Coroner in the Lakanal Inquiry be taken on board in the final LSP5 draft to be given to LFEPA in June?

Mayor's targets

Question No: 1201 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

A number of recent targets set by the Mayor have been for 2020. Does the Mayor think he should start setting challenging interim targets to deal with some of London's immediate major issues for himself, rather than setting them for 2020 at which time a future incumbent is likely to be in post?

Housing Benefit Changes

Question No: 1202 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

I have been asked to put the following question to you by a member of the public:

"Why is it thought to be a good idea to move low paid workers out of central London - the consequence of the housing benefit cuts? Why should people who get paid the minimum wage for working in the middle of London doing essential jobs like cleaning have to be moved out so that they face long expensive journeys into work?"

Housing Benefit Changes #2

Question No: 1203 / 2013

[Fiona Twycross](#)

I have been asked to put the following question to you by a member of the public:

“All housing benefit does is subsidise landlords. What’s wrong with reintroducing rent controls?”

Events for London 2013-14

Question No: 1204 / 2013

[Onkar Sahota](#)

Considering that the Events for London Budget (as outlined in your answer to my question 640/2013) will be £1.014m less than the previous year’s allocations (as outlined in your answer to my question 637/2013), which events does the Mayor intend to cut from next year’s programme.

Cars and drivers for senior officers (3)

Question No: 1205 / 2013

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How many cars are in the fleet provided for senior officers, and how many senior officers used these cars in 2012/13?

Village greens

Question No: 1206 / 2013

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Do you support in principle applications by local communities to establish village greens in their areas?