Priority Order List

Mayor's Question Time Wednesday 18 December 2013

Report No: 5

Questions to the Mayor Subject:

Executive Director of Secretariat Report of:

Questions not asked during Mayor's Question Time will be given a written response by Monday 23 December 2013.

"Fit for the future" programme

Question No: 2013/4865

Valerie Shawcross

Is the "fit for the future" programme of staffing cuts to stations affected by this year's fare decision?

Olympic Transport Legacy

Question No: 2013/4711

Richard Tracey

What progress has been made in making the Javelin train service, which was so successful during the Olympics, available to Londoners using travelcards and Oyster cards, as recommended by the recent House of Lords Select Committee report?

Tackling excess winter deaths and fuel poverty

Question No: 2013/4637

Jenny Jones

What impact will the Government's decision to scale back the Energy Company Obligation have on your plans to tackle London's energy inefficient and hard to treat homes?

Making Cycling Safer in London **Question No: 2013/5263**

Caroline Pidgeon

What action are you now taking to make cycling safer in London?

Junior neighbourhood wardens' scheme Question No: 2013/4709

Roger Evans

Southampton Council has a junior neighbourhood wardens scheme, whereby young people aged seven to twelve help look after the housing estates on which they live. Would you consider piloting a similar scheme to encourage young people to share in the responsibility for their neighbourhoods, through activities such as litter-picking, gardening and painting?

Rising fuel bills

Question No: 2013/4866

Murad Oureshi

What would Londoners benefit from most, cuts to green levies that fund the war on fuel poverty or a 20-month energy price freeze?

Mayor's Margaret Thatcher lecture for the Centre for Policy Studies **Question No: 2013/4867**

Andrew Dismore

Given your responsibilities in respect of community cohesion and economic development, why do you favour a society characterised by an absence of fairness; does it demonstrate a high level of brain function to claim that "inequality is essential for the spirit of envy...that is, like greed, a valuable spur to economic activity"?

Tackling FGM

Question No: 2013/4728

Victoria Borwick

What progress is being made to tackle FGM in London?

Hackney Wick Conservation area

Question No: 2013/4698

Andrew Boff

Will you consider extending the conservation area in Hackney Wick as a way of protecting, nurturing and developing the existing character of the area, as has been done at Creekside in Deptford?

London Minimum Wage Ouestion No: 2013/4868

Fiona Twycross

With regards to your responsibility for economic development in London, do you believe the National Minimum Wage is sufficiently enforced in the capital?

London Pensions Fund Authority

Question No: 2013/4869

Len Duvall

Are you confident that the LPFA fund will be able to grow as currently envisaged?

Turnham Green Piccadilly Line

Question No: 2013/4686

Tony Arbour

In the light of my recent report "All Aboard at Turnham Green", will the Mayor comment on the prospect of Turnham Green becoming a standard stop on the Piccadilly line?

Draft London Housing Strategy

Question No: 2013/4870

Tom Copley

Does the draft London Housing Strategy do enough to tackle London's housing crisis?

Crime Statistics

Question No: 2013/4871

Joanne McCartney

What steps are you taking to ensure the rigour of crime statistics collected by the MPS?

Right to manage

Ouestion No: 2013/4717

Steve O'Connell

I was delighted to see that your Housing Strategy includes a commitment to lobby the Government to improve the rights of leaseholders to take control of the buildings where they live, as recommended in my report 'Highly Charged'. How will you be taking this forward?

Croydon Regeneration

Question No: 2013/4720

Steve O'Connell

What in your view will be the main benefits to Croydon and the wider London economy of the £1 billion regeneration scheme from Croydon Partnership that you recently approved?

Hampstead police contact point

Ouestion No: 2013/4872

Andrew Dismore

How much would it cost to retain a police contact point at the Old Hampstead Town Hall?

London's recycling rates flatline Question No: 2013/4638

Jenny Jones

London's household recycling rates only rose from 32 per cent in 2009/10 to 34 per cent in 2011/12, with the slowest annual rises in almost a decade. Last year they flatlined, staying at 34 per cent, and across the Western Riverside Waste Authority recycling rates fell significantly. How do you expect to reach your recycling target of exceeding 45 per cent in the next three years?

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

Low carbon prize Question No: 2013/4732

James Cleverly

How has your Low Carbon Entrepreneur competition helped drive innovation and cut costs in the green economy in previous years, and what are your aims and ambitions for this year's competition?

Ticket Office Closures Question No: 2013/4713

Richard Tracey

Is it possible to hold down fares without taking difficult decisions such as closing ticket offices?

Air quality near schools Question No: 2013/5304

Stephen Knight

How will you reduce the risk of air pollution to London's children?

Questions for Written Answer

Part-time jobs (1) Question No: 2013/4588

Stephen Knight

You have a manifesto commitment to create 20,000 part-time jobs, including 7,500 across the GLA Group, by 2015. In your answer to my question 2013/3936 on how many part time jobs you have created so far, you told me how many jobs were created in 2012/13 and informed me that 23% of total employment in London is made up of part-time workers. That did not answer my question. Do you not know how many of the jobs created by GLA Group projects are part-time? If not, how will Londoners know whether or not their Mayor has fulfilled his manifesto commitment?

Part-time jobs (2) Question No: 2013/4589

Stephen Knight

According to the Investment and Performance Board's 'measuring jobs - progress report' from 6 August 2013, of the 200,000 jobs you pledged to create, 20,000 will be part time. However the Investment and Performance Board's 'measuring jobs - methodology' paper from 19 July 2012 states that "all jobs (regardless of whether they are full or part time)" will count against your manifesto commitment to create 200,000 jobs. Therefore, how many of the remaining 180,000 jobs will also be part time?

Part-time jobs (3) Question No: 2013/4590

Stephen Knight

Your manifesto pledge to create 20,000 part time jobs was intended to help get parents back into work. How can you make sure these jobs are in a range of sectors and require a range of skills, to reflect the diversity of qualifications and experiences parents will have had before temporarily coming out of the workforce?

Apprenticeship target Question No: 2013/4591

Stephen Knight

Your manifesto pledged to create a further 250,000 apprenticeships if re-elected. Your answer to my question 2013/3942 said 131,310 apprenticeships were created between 2010/11 and July 2013. How many have you created since your re-election?

Apprenticeship definition

Question No: 2013/4592

Stephen Knight

The Investment and Performance Board's 'measuring jobs - methodology' paper from 19 July 2012 states that "the number of apprentices will be counted against the Mayor's manifesto commitment where it can be shown that the apprenticeship position constitutes a new job." How can it be shown that an apprenticeship position constitutes a new job? What is the criteria?

Debt advice and credit unions

Question No: 2013/4593

Stephen Knight

In your answer to my question 2013/3943 you said you "will continue to promote free debt advice services and sources of affordable finance such as credit unions." Can you tell me how you have promoted free debt advice services and credit unions, and on which occasions?

Overseas investment Question No: 2013/4594

Stephen Knight

How are you making sure your efforts, such as your recent trip to China, encourage overseas investment in the capital's infrastructure and businesses, which generates jobs for Londoners, as opposed to investment in London's property market which is only of benefit to the investor themselves?

Direct, indirect and induced jobs

Question No: 2013/4595

Stephen Knight

The Investment and Performance Board's 'measuring jobs - methodology' paper from 19 July 2012 states that indirect and induced jobs will be counted against the Mayor's jobs creation manifesto commitment. According to the Investment and Performance Board's 'measuring jobs - progress report' from 6 August 2013, 251,193 jobs will have been created and supported by the end of your Mayoral term thanks to GLA group projects and programmes. What proportion of these jobs have been directly-created, indirectly-created and induced?

Jobs 'created and supported

Question No: 2013/4596

Stephen Knight

The Investment and Performance Board's 'measuring jobs - progress report' from 6 August 2013 states that 251,193 jobs will have been created and supported by the end of your Mayoral term thanks to GLA group projects and programmes. What does 'supported' mean in this context?

GLA Group job definition methodology Question No: 2013/4597

Stephen Knight

In your answer to question 776/2012 you said that "at present there is no consistent methodology applied across the GLA Group...for job definitions. "This was repeated in the Investment and Performance Board's 'measuring jobs - progress report' from 6 August 2013. When will this be rectified?

Jobs in housing

Question No: 2013/4598

Stephen Knight

I understand your office uses the government's estimate that for every home built, two jobs are created. However given that only 8,114 homes were completed in London during the 2012/13 financial year as a result of your programme (which would suggest 16,228 jobs) can you account for the 21,332 jobs in housing created in 2012/13 thanks to GLA group projects and programmes, according to table two of Investment and Performance Board's 'measuring jobs - progress report' from 6 August 2013?

2012 Employment Legacy

Question No: 2013/4599

Stephen Knight

The Investment and Performance Board's latest performance report for the 2012 Employment Legacy project is very poor, due to its employment outcomes being below target. Can you comprehensively explain why this is the case and how you plan to improve on this?

Construction Employer Accord

Question No: 2013/4600

Stephen Knight

The Investment and Performance Board's latest performance report for the Construction Employer Accord project is poor, due to it underperforming on twelve month sustained employment outcomes. Can you comprehensively explain why this is the case and how you plan to improve on this?

Business rate relief in Croydon

Question No: 2013/4601

Stephen Knight

The Investment and Performance Board's latest performance report for the LB Croydon Business Rate Relief project is very poor, due to a low take up which is resulting in a forecast underspend of £370,000 from a budget of £476,000. Can you comprehensively explain why this is the case and how you plan to improve on this?

Peckham Rye Station Question No: 2013/4602

Stephen Knight

The Investment and Performance Board's latest performance report for the LB Southwark Gateway to Peckham project is very poor, due to capacity problems within LB Southwark and their coordination with Network Rail. Can you comprehensively explain why this is the case and how you plan to improve on this, particularly given that this has been allocated of the biggest project budgets?

Cricklewood apprenticeships

Question No: 2013/4603

Stephen Knight

The Investment and Performance Board's latest performance report for the LB Barnet Cricklewood project is poor, due to the fact that seven out of ten apprenticeship placements may not be delivered due to the inability to match apprentices with opportunities. Can you comprehensively explain why this is the case and how you plan to improve on this?

Government help for credit unions

Question No: 2013/4604

Stephen Knight

In light of the government's announcement to spend £38 million on modernising and expanding the credit union industry, how much of that money will be coming to London-based credit unions and how many London-based credit unions will benefit?

Cost of move from Dean Farrar Street (1) Ouestion No: 2013/4605

Caroline Pidgeon

I asked the following question in September 2013 [MQ2811/2013] and have not received an answer, will you please provide a response:

"What was the total cost of MOPAC's move from Dean Farrar Street to City Hall?"

Cost of move from Dean Farrar Street (2) Question No: 2013/4606

Caroline Pidgeon

I asked the following question in September 2013 [MQ2812/2013] and have not received an answer, will you please provide a response:

"Further to MQ 3387/2012 please provide details of all of the costs which were incurred in moving MOPAC from Dean Farrar Street to City Hall, including but not limited to: removal costs; agents and other professional fees; costs of early surrender of the three leases; and dilapidations."*

London Crime Prevention Fund

Question No: 2013/4607

Caroline Pidgeon

Further to MQ 2483/2013 regarding the publication of information on the successful bids to the London Crime Prevention Fund, will you include on the MOPAC website the details of which organisations are delivering the projects?

Resettlement for young people in London

Question No: 2013/4608

Caroline Pidgeon

Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime Decision 161/2013 approved £75,000 of funding for a post to develop a joint resettlement model for London with the Youth Justice Board. Has the YJB agreed to provide match funding and if so when will this post begin?

Employment programmes for young offenders - GLA ESF Youth Programme 2011-2013

Question No: 2013/4609

Caroline Pidgeon

Further to MQ 3492/2013 has the second provider now been procured for the Resettlement of Young Offenders leaving custody ESF project? If so, when will they begin delivery?

MOPAC redundancy payments (1)

Question No: 2013/4610

Caroline Pidgeon

What has been the total cost to MOPAC of redundancies from 1 June 2012 to date?

MOPAC redundancy payments (2)

Question No: 2013/4611

Caroline Pidgeon

What has been the total cost to MOPAC of each redundancy package for staff who have left between June 2012 and December 2013 in the following bands: up to £25,000; £25,001 to £50,000; £50,001 to £75,000; £75,001 to £100,000; and over £100,001?

MOPAC redundancies

Question No: 2013/4612

Caroline Pidgeon

With how many former staff has MOPAC signed compromise agreements; final agreements; and/or non-disclosure agreements since June 2012?

MOPAC workforce Question No: 2013/4613

Caroline Pidgeon

Please provide a breakdown of the number and percentage of MOPAC employees by the following categories broken down by Directorate of Audit, Risk and Assurance (DARA) and non DARA staff, in June 2012 and 1 December 2013:

- a) Ethnic group
- b) Gender
- c) Disability
- d) Age

MOPAC workforce - salary bill

Question No: 2013/4614

Caroline Pidgeon

What was the total salary bill and the total number of staff employed by MOPAC as of June 2012 and 1 December 2013?

MOPAC workforce - salary bands

Question No: 2013/4615

Caroline Pidgeon

Please provide a breakdown of the number and percentage of MOPAC employees by salary band in June 2012 and in December 2013. Please include vacant posts and temporary arrangements.

Online Met Police Shop (1)

Question No: 2013/4616

Caroline Pidgeon

How much income does the Metropolitan Police aim to make per year from the planned online shop selling branded merchandise?

Online Met Police Shop (2)

Question No: 2013/4617

Caroline Pidgeon

Have discussions taken place between MOPAC/MPS and TfL about whether the existing TfL online shop could be used to sell police branded merchandise?

Policing around football matches and public events Question No: 2013/4618

Caroline Pidgeon

It has been raised with me that the Metropolitan Police intend to remove policing from queues, for example at stations, across London for events including football matches. Has the MPS made a final decision about whether to remove policing from queues across London for all large-scale public events such as football matches? Please list which Clubs will be affected and when the MPS intends withdrawing from them. Have the necessary arrangements been made with TfL and other train companies to resource these operations instead?

Streatham High Road front counter (1) Ouestion No: 2013/4619

Caroline Pidgeon

The MOPAC/MPS Estate Strategy 2013-2016 states that Streatham Police Station is moving

to 326 Streatham High Road. When was the Streatham High Road property acquired? At what cost? Is it freehold, leasehold or rented? If the latter what is the rent?

Streatham High Road front counter (2) Question No: 2013/4620

Caroline Pidgeon

The MOPAC/MPS Estate Strategy 2013-2016 states that Streatham Police Station is moving

to 326 Streatham High Road. I understand that subsequent to the acquisition of the High Road property structural defects were discovered and the building has remained boarded up ever since. Was a full survey carried out before the property was acquired? What is the extent of the structural problems? Will it be possible to use this High Road site as a replacement for Streatham Police Station or will MOPAC look to acquire an alternative site?

Streatham High Road front counter (3)

Question No: 2013/4621

Caroline Pidgeon

The MOPAC/MPS Estate Strategy 2013-2016 states that Streatham Police Station is moving

to 326 Streatham High Road. What costs have been incurred since MOPAC acquired the building on Streatham High Road? What are the estimated costs of bringing this building into use? How much is it budgeted to spend on this building in 2013/14 and 2014/15?

Streatham High Road front counter (4)

Question No: 2013/4622

Caroline Pidgeon

In May 2013 you stated that "The replacement facilities for Streatham Police Station at Streatham High Road will take several months to complete and it is anticipated that the replacement site will be operational by the end of the year" [MQ 1346/2013] Given that it is now nearly the end of the year when can we expect the replacement front counter and deployment base to be operational?

MOPAC/MPS Joint Investment Board

Question No: 2013/4623

Caroline Pidgeon

At the time of drafting the latest notes online for the Joint Investment Board were from the 10 September meeting. Will you commit to publishing notes of these meetings in a more timely fashion?

MOPAC/MPS Joint Asset Management Panel

Question No: 2013/4624

Caroline Pidgeon

At the time of drafting the latest notes online for the Joint Asset Management Panel were from the 28 August meeting. Will you commit to publishing notes of these meetings in a more timely fashion?

Cycle collision arrests (1)

Question No: 2013/4625

Caroline Pidgeon

In light of the recent cyclist fatalities on London's roads and the little information which the Metropolitan Police give about each incident, what is Met Police policy with regards to arrests at road collision scenes?

Cycle collision arrests (2)

Question No: 2013/4626

Caroline Pidgeon

How many drivers have been arrested and prosecuted in relation to cycling collisions in London in 2012 and 2013 to date?

Police numbers

Question No: 2013/4627

Caroline Pidgeon

Your Police and Crime Plan set out in Appendix 1 the proposed numbers of police officer posts working in each borough by 2015. Can you confirm that those proposed numbers are still valid? If not can you provide an updated set of figures for proposed officer numbers by borough?

Centralisation of police units

Question No: 2013/4628

Caroline Pidgeon

Please provide details of which police teams, currently reporting to Borough Commanders, the Metropolitan Police is planning to centralise and how many officers and staff will be moving. By borough, how many staff will remain in borough but no longer report to Borough Commanders and how many will by physically centralised?

MOPAC public meetings

Question No: 2013/4629

Caroline Pidgeon

In answer to MQ4156/2013 you stated that "plans are underway" to undertake evening consultation meetings in London Boroughs "to discuss the roll out of the local policing model and changes to public access". When are these meetings going to take place? Please list details by borough. Will you be providing updated localised information about the changes the local policing model has brought in?

Sutton Police Numbers

Question No: 2013/4630

Caroline Pidgeon

As of 1 December 2013, how many: full time police officers; sergeants; PCSOs; special constables and police staff were there in Sutton? What were the comparable figures for 1 May 2010; 1 May 2011; 1 May 2012; 1 May 2013 and 30 November 2013; and what do you expect the figures to be in 2015?

Kingston Police Numbers

Question No: 2013/4631

Caroline Pidgeon

As of 1 December 2013, how many: full time police officers; sergeants; PCSOs; special constables and police staff were there in Kingston? What were the comparable figures 1 May 2010; 1 May 2011; 1 May 2012; 1 May 2013 and 30 November 2013; and what do you expect the figures to be in 2015?

Lambeth Police Numbers

Question No: 2013/4632

Caroline Pidgeon

As of 1 December 2013, what were the Target and Actual number of full time police officers; sergeants; PCSOs; special constables for the following wards in Lambeth: Bishops; Oval; Streatham Hill; Streatham Wells; St Leonard's; Vassall; Stockwell; Streatham Common?

Metropolitan Police Expenditure

Question No: 2013/4633

Caroline Pidgeon

How much did the Metropolitan Police spend on taxis and minicabs in 2012/13 and 2013/14 to date?

Hampstead Police Front Counter

Question No: 2013/4634

Caroline Pidgeon

It has been reported that the Mayor's Office for Police and Crime did not allow expenditure of £30 per week to enable a Contact Point to operate at the Old Hampstead Town Hall, which had been identified locally by police as the preferred location for a Contact Point. It has subsequently been reported that you have said that this decision "sounds mad" and that you will "look at the problem and we will see what we can do". Given the closure of Hampstead Police Station in June, will you now agree to providing a Contact Point in the Old Town Hall?

Metropolitan Police Paladin Team (1)

Question No: 2013/4635

Caroline Pidgeon

How many officers were there in the MPS Paladin team in 2012/13 and 2013/14? How many officers are budgeted for in 2014/15?

MOPAC workforce – temporary staff

Question No: 2013/4636

Caroline Pidgeon

How much did MOPAC spend on a) temporary staff, b) seconded staff and c) consultants by month from June 2012 to 1 December 2013?

Save Earl's Court Exhibition Centres from demolition proposals Question No: 2013/4639

Darren Johnson

The Earl's Court Area Action Group which is supported by 30 leaders in the field of art, music and science and more including designers Ozwald Boeteng and Bella Freud, Neil Tennant of the Pet Shop boys condemned the Earl's Court Exhibition Centres demolition proposals.

Their objections were published in an Evening Standard letter on the 28th November, and included the following: it's an act of cultural vandalism; the venues attract millions of international visitors and crowd-drawing events on the world map – maintaining Olympia open is not a replacement for them; the substantial loss of income to local traders and to London as a whole is inexcusable; a mere 11% of the proposed development is "affordable" and that affordability will be out of reach of the majority of hard-working people; the last minute add-on of a significantly smaller "cultural" building by the developers Capco offers scant compensation for the loss of the Exhibition Centres and; a modest spend on the buildings infrastructure would guarantee the Earls Court heritage for the long term future.

Given your decision to approve this planning application, the action group have contacted me to request that you address each of their specific criticisms. Will you please do this?

Tech City - local benefits Question No: 2013/4640

Darren Johnson

In Hackney, 26% of the population has never used the internet, the local youth unemployment rate is unacceptably high, and high tech employers have told the Assembly that there aren't enough local people with the skills they need. What are you doing as part of the Tech City initiative to redress these issues and ensure it benefits local people?

Tech City - local engagement Ouestion No: 2013/4641

Darren Johnson

What are you doing to make sure organisations behind Tech City and large companies in the area engage with community organisations, for example to offer training and job opportunities?

Shared ownership and lease extensions Question No: 2013/4642

Darren Johnson

A constituent has written to me about the lease on her shared ownership home. She bought a 50 per cent stake in 2002, and now wants to extend the lease. But the landlord, Peabody, refuse to extend the lease on any homes with less than 100% ownership, contradicting national guidance from the Homes and Communications Agency. Will you ask Peabody to relax their requirement for existing leaseholders, and will you ensure this is addressed through your Housing Covenant for future low cost home ownership schemes?

Global Peace and Unity (GPU) Conference at Excel Arena, 23rd-24th November

Question No: 2013/4643

Darren Johnson

Please provide an explanation as to why you as Mayor endorsed this event through a statement on its website when it was providing a platform to seven speakers who have previously made extremist, homophobic, racist and sexist remarks in public, including, in some cases, defending the killing of apostates, blasphemers and people who have sex outside of marriage?

Funding for electric cycle hire project Ouestion No: 2013/4644

Darren Johnson

Will you give a categorical assurance that any funding required for the electric cycle-hire project will be in addition to the budget identified for cycling in the rest of your term and will not be at the expense of funding required for the implementation of "Love London, Go Dutch" standards for cycling that the Mayor signed up to in April 2012?

Living Street's Time to Cross Campaign Question No: 2013/4645

Darren Johnson

Following the publication of University College London's research which found that most older people are unable to cross the road in time, will you give your support to the Living Streets' "Give us time to cross" campaign and revise TfL guidance on assumed walking speed to 0.8 m/s?

Outcome of TfL's consideration of implications of NICE public health walking and cycling guidance

Ouestion No: 2013/4646

Darren Johnson

In your response to 132/2013 you stated that you had asked TfL to consider the implications of the new NICE walking and cycling guidance across their work programmes and in policy work. What was the outcome of TfL's considerations and is a report available?

Opportunities to support TfL policing partners in implementing NICE Walking and Cycling guidance

Question No: 2013/4647

Darren Johnson

Did any opportunities for TfL to support its policing partners arise following TfL's considerations of the NICE Walking and Cycling guidance, as referred to in your response to 133/2013? If so, what were these and is a report available?

Pedestrian crossing provision at Bow roundabout Ouestion No: 2013/4648

Darren Johnson

In your response to 135/2013, you stated: "The quality of the pedestrian walking experience in London is, however, carefully considered by TfL in the operation of the road network, in particular with regard to undertaking signal timing reviews" and you went on to highlight the potential role of pedestrian SCOOT. Could you explain how it came to be that there are no signalised pedestrian crossings provided at Bow roundabout, in the light of these earlier comments you made?

Cycle marking following road resurfacing Ouestion No: 2013/4649

Darren Johnson

A recent complaint from a constituent has revealed that, following resurfacing work by TfL, cycle markings can be delayed for days and maybe weeks, rather than hours for lane markings for vehicle drivers. As a matter of policy can you ensure TfL agree to the principle that reinstatement of road safety line markings that directly impact safety should not be unduly delayed following road repairs?

KSI's - TfL and FOI requests Ouestion No: 2013/4650

Darren Johnson

The recent publication of the 'Clear Road Ahead' report by Richard Tracey AM drew attention to statistics showing that during your tenure as Mayor there has been an average of one collision involving a bus per day that results in a person being killed or seriously-injured in London. A pedestrian campaigner has contacted me to report that TfL is failing to respond to his FOI requests concerning deaths and serious injuries involving its buses within the time limit indicated by the FOI Act. As Chair of the TfL board, please provide an explanation as to why these requests are not being responded to within statutory timescales.

Bus collisions

Question No: 2013/4651

Darren Johnson

Thank you for your response to 4051/2013. Please now provide a breakdown by calendar year instead of by fiscal year of the number of cyclists killed or suffering a 'major injury', as a result of a collision with a bus in 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012.

Involvement of National Standard cycling trainers Question No: 2013/4652

Darren Johnson

Will you ensure that National Standard cycle trainers will be involved in the consultation process on improving cycle superhighways and can you give an assurance that those involved in delivering cycle training will be properly represented in the junction review?

Cycle parking in Danson Park, London borough of Bexley Question No: 2013/4653

Darren Johnson

In your cycling vision you pledged to 'deliver 80,000 additional cycle parking spaces in residential locations, stations, workplaces and other trip destinations by 2016'. Danson Park in Bexley is a highly popular trip destination which hosts the annual Danson Festival - an event which attracts up to 30,000 visitors to the park - but which currently lacks cycle parking facilities. Will you add your support to LB Bexley's bid to TfL for cycle parking funding through the Borough Cycling Programme?

Road safety

Question No: 2013/4654

Darren Johnson

Your answer to my question 3412/2013 you failed to explain why there was an increase in the total road casualties of over 700 people a year since you became Mayor, despite there being a fall of 17,000 in the previous eight years. Can you please explain why London was so successful at reducing total casualties in the period 2000 - 2008, but has failed to do so since?

Blaming rise in pedestrian and child casualties on headphones Ouestion No: 2013/4655

Darren Johnson

In response to my questioning on pedestrian road safety on the 12th October 2011, you stated that: "it may be that we need to get out a stronger message to people about paying attention when using handheld devices of all kinds." However, you did add that "I just want to stress that we have no data". Given that you have once again blamed a rise in casualties on handheld devices and the use of headphones, can you please tell me what research TfL have gathered in the last two years to support your claims?

Safer Junctions (1) Ouestion No: 2013/4656

Darren Johnson

Whilst there is a logic to spending more money on each of London's most dangerous junctions in order to make them safer, why are you not expanding the total cycling budget, instead of cutting back by three quarters the total number of junctions which will get the full range of improvements they need prior to 2016?

Safer Junctions (2) Question No: 2013/4657

Darren Johnson

You have consistently underspent the safer cycle budget for every year you have been Mayor. Will you learn your lesson and now start to over program in order to ensure that you do actually deliver the limited improvement to cycling that you are now promising?

Safer Junctions (3) Question No: 2013/4658

Darren Johnson

How many reviews of safer junctions have been completed and how many are still ongoing?

Safer Junctions (4) Question No: 2013/4659

Darren Johnson

You have decided to scale down your dangerous junctions programme from 100 to 33. What action, if any, will you take on the remaining 67 junctions, and what will the budget for this work be?

Safer Junctions (5) Question No: 2013/4660

Darren Johnson

How much of the £100m for cycling safer junctions will be spent on the 25 junctions you hope to complete by 2016?

Safer Junctions (6) Question No: 2013/4661

Darren Johnson

Is a lack of finance the only limitation on dealing with the 67 dangerous junctions that were previously on your list?

Safety camera upgrade programme update Question No: 2013/4662

Darren Johnson

Further to your response to 2426/2012, please share the outcome of TfL's discussions with boroughs concerning their safety camera requirements and please detail how many ageing 'wet film' cameras have since been replaced by modern digital safety cameras as part of the £40m upgrade programme mentioned.

Public transport fares Question No: 2013/4663

Darren Johnson

What is the average rise in (a) all TfL fares (b) tube and TfL rail fares, and (c) bus fares, each only for users who pay them, from May 2008 until the current date? What was inflation over this same period?

Fares freeze

Question No: 2013/4664

Darren Johnson

Based upon the existing proportions of travel products sold on buses, tubes and rail; what percentage of people will have an increase above inflation, below inflation and at the level of inflation?

Central London cycling grid Ouestion No: 2013/4665

Darren Johnson

Are you concerned that parts of the central London cycling grid in Westminster Council's consultation document (e.g. the northbound section of the 'Jubilee Line') appear to look more like a meandering rollercoaster than an effective and accessible cycle network? Can Transport for London encourage the local authorities involved in the production of the grid to introduce more cycling contraflow lanes on one-way streets in order to ensure quicker journeys and a more useful end product?

Cyclists and buses Question No: 2013/4666

Darren Johnson

Are you aware that since you became Mayor there are some years when the number of cyclists killed or suffering major injury per bus km travelled is greater than the number of killed or seriously injured per HGV km travelled? Given your direct control over how London buses perform, will you include reducing casualties as part of the bus contracts?

Cycling superhighways Question No: 2013/4667

Darren Johnson

What is your budget for completing the seven additional Cycle Superhighways which you have promised to install between now and 2016?

Free 'New Bus for London' shuttle service in Ipswich Question No: 2013/4668

Darren Johnson

Could you give details as to why a 'New Bus for London' has been operating as a free shuttle service in Ipswich, Suffolk? Please also provide details as to whether any costs have been or will be incurred by TfL in the running of this bus for its operation both within Ipswich and in transit to and from London to East Anglia.

Bus capital expenditure

Question No: 2013/4669

Darren Johnson

According to the TfL business plan, the annual 'Capital Bus Expenditure' drops from £71m in 2015/16 to £25m or under for the next three years. Can you outline what this capital expenditure will cover in the years 2016/17 to 2018/19?

London Affordable rent definition

Question No: 2013/4670

Darren Johnson

You have committed to working with London Citizens and others to define a London Affordable Rent and to publish the figure annually. In your answer to question 2013/3318, you told me that your approach to affordability would be set out in your new draft housing strategy. Yet there is no mention in your strategy of such a definition being developed with London Citizens. How are you planning to honour this commitment?

2015-18 affordable housing

Question No: 2013/4671

Darren Johnson

How many (a) 'disposals' and (b) 'conversions' do you expect housing associations to make between 2015-18 in order to deliver the 15,000 homes a year mentioned in your draft housing strategy?

Encouraging more competition in the house building industry **Question No: 2013/4672**

Darren Johnson

I share this aspiration in your new draft housing strategy to encourage new entrants into a very concentrated market. Given that the main barrier for smaller builders identified by your research is acquiring land, what are you doing with the GLA land bank to support new entrants into the house building industry?

Homelessness charities struggling Ouestion No: 2013/4673

Darren Johnson

According to Homeless Link, 50 per cent of homelessness services across the UK experienced a fall in investment last year. Charities in London like Centrepoint, Crisis and Thames Reach are struggling to cope with cuts in public funding, and are diverting resources to fundraise from shops and other voluntary donations. What are you doing to ensure that homelessness charities are financially stable so that they can help the growing number of homeless individuals and families in London?

RE:NEW delivery by the end of 2015/16 Ouestion No: 2013/4674

Darren Johnson

Your draft housing strategy sets out projected carbon dioxide emission reductions for RE:NEW to 2015. Can you confirm the total annual savings expected by the end of 2015/16, that is the annual savings arising from all the homes retrofitted through RE:NEW from its inception to the end of that financial year?

Redefining Fuel Poverty Question No: 2013/4675

Jenny Jones

According to official figures London has over 300,000 households in fuel poverty. Given your duty to tackle inequalities, have you objected to the Government's attempt to redefine fuel poverty in the Energy Bill? According to the Environment Audit Committee this will have the effect of instantly reducing the number of households considered by the Government to be fuel poor by nearly a third, further understating the problem.

Malnutrition and public health Question No: 2013/4676

Jenny Jones

Given the increase in cases of malnutrition in London during the last five years and the increasing reliance upon food banks, will you ask your public health board to examine the impacts of food poverty in London?

Greed isn't good Ouestion No: 2013/4677

Jenny Jones

As an admirer of Pericles and his funeral oration, wouldn't you agree that wealth is "something to be properly used, not as something to boast about", and that it is qualities of ambition and public service rather than greed and a spirit of envy which public figures such as ourselves should promote?

Expanding London River Restoration to tackle flood threat Question No: 2013/4678

Jenny Jones

Looking beyond your 15km target of restoring London's rivers to reduce flood risk, so far as I can tell you have no further plans in this area. Given your environment advisor's warning (as reported in the Evening Standard on the 29th November) that London is likely to experience an "extreme weather event" in the form of a major flood arising from heavy rainfall, will you agree to take a leading role in the restoration of the 100's of kilometres of London's rivers (River Thames tributaries)?

Two million more trees in London by 2025 Question No: 2013/4679

Jenny Jones

Your answer to question 2013/4093 referred me back to 2013/3358 in which you were unable to supply me with the number of trees planted towards your goal of two million more trees in London by 2025. Instead you provided me with an estimate that was based on analysis by Trees for Cities during your predecessor's term of office. Given that this is a vital strategic goal in helping London to prepare for more frequent extreme weather, up to date information is essential. Excluding your street tree programme, will you in collaboration with key stakeholders, agree to undertake an assessment of the actual numbers of trees planted since the beginning of your term of office, breaking this down by (a) date of planting (b) the estimated number and location, indicating whether there were planted on open green space or on streets/the urban built environment?

National Domestic Extremism and Disorder Intelligence Unit Database Question No: 2013/4680

Jenny Jones

When an individual's records are deleted from the National Domestic Extremism and Disorder Intelligence Unit (formerly National Domestic Extremism Unit) database, do the Metropolitan Police make sure that such records are also deleted from any copies of backups of that database, and from other related databases as appropriate?

Safer Transport Command and Traffic Criminal Justice Unit Question No: 2013/4681

Jenny Jones

How much money will TfL contribute towards the cost of the Met Police Safer Transport Command and also, the Traffic Criminal Justice Unit in 2013/14? What is the total cost of Safer Transport Command and also, the Traffic Criminal Justice Unit? Can you briefly describe the contracted duties of the Met Police in return for this money?

20mph enforcement Question No: 2013/4682

Jenny Jones

Will you ensure that the Met's Safer Transport Command gives priority to enforcing 20mph speed limits on borough and TfL roads as a measure to keep cyclists, pedestrians and other road users safe?

Road user behaviour Question No: 2013/4683

Jenny Jones

As a step towards an evidence led approach to roads policing, can you outline the proportion of injuries to cyclists in London which stem from the top five main causes in terms of road user behaviour?

Hit and runs

Question No: 2013/4684

Jenny Jones

Can you provide a breakdown of the number of fatalities, seriously injured and slight injuries involving a hit and run vehicle, broken down by borough, for the calendar year 2012? What was the proportion of cyclists, pedestrians and car occupants involved in these injuries.

ANPR (1)

Question No: 2013/4685

Jenny Jones

How many officers and staff are dedicated to the use of ANPR as a full time role in London for the financial years 2012/13 and also 2013/14?

Bonuses

Question No: 2013/4687

Tony Arbour

How much did the MPS pay out in bonuses in the last year for 'outstandingly unpleasant' work?

Bonuses (II)

Question No: 2013/4688

Tony Arbour

- 1. What other bonuses are still being paid out by the MPS?
- 2. How much was paid out, in the form of bonuses, in each of the last three years?

Overcrowding

Ouestion No: 2013/4689

Andrew Boff

Given that 106,000 affordable homes in London are overcrowded, compared with an estimated 43,000 affordable homes that are under occupied, how can we make the best use of the planning system to tackle overcrowding and ensure that new housing supply is best matched to demand?

Housing Strategy (1) Question No: 2013/4690

Andrew Boff

How will your proposed new Housing Zones and London Housing Bank work?

Housing Strategy (2) Ouestion No: 2013/4691

Andrew Boff

What will be the benefits to London's private rented sector of your plans to achieve institutional investment in 5,000 new homes as set out in your new draft Housing Strategy?

Berlin road laws

Question No: 2013/4692

Andrew Boff

In Berlin, any fine issued to a cyclist over €45 also results in penalty points of the driving licence of said cyclist. Do you think that such a scheme could help ensure that all road users obey the rules of the road and help dispel some of the tension between cyclists and other road users?

Driving lessons in Holland

Question No: 2013/4693

Andrew Boff

Driving instructors in Holland teach new drivers to use their right hand to open the car door, forcing drivers to turn in their seat, putting them in a better position to see if a cyclist is approaching from behind. Would you support this good practice and urge the Driving Standards Agency to look into the proposal?

New research on cycling risk

Question No: 2013/4694

Andrew Boff

Have you read the new paper from the International Cycling safety conference that has found that when sex and age group are accounted for, cycling is not systematically riskier than walking or driving, and that young males are five times more at risk when driving than when cycling?

Enforcing road laws Question No: 2013/4695

Andrew Boff

Might plain clothes policemen on bikes be better placed to enforce traffic rules for all road users, than uniformed policemen placed stationary at some busy junctions?

Chobham Manor cycling infrastructure **Question No: 2013/4696**

Andrew Boff

Why does the recently submitted reserve matters planning application for Chobham Manor state that cycle lanes will stop, and therefore make cyclists get off their bikes, at junctions?

East Village

Ouestion No: 2013/4697

Andrew Boff

Why did the first tenants have to wait for so long to move into their new homes in the former Athletes Village on the Olympic Park?

New Ticket Machines Question No: 2013/4699

Andrew Boff

Will you guarantee that the new, upgraded ticket machines, which will help ensure that Tube ticket offices are no longer necessary, will give foreign visitors the chance to buy a ticket using their own language?

Police enforcement against sex workers **Question No: 2013/4700**

Andrew Boff

- 1. Please can you formally ask the Commissioner to ensure that police do not use enforcementonly methods against sex workers?
- 2. Is it pointless for the police to fine a street sex worker for soliciting on the street, since she is often in such a vulnerable state that she can only pay back a police fine by selling sex on the streets?

Hate crimes against sex workers **Question No: 2013/4701**

Andrew Boff

I have heard reports that police are dismissing sex workers after they experience attacks and try to report the offence. Will you take a stand and also recommend to the Commissioner that crimes against sex workers are treated as hate crimes, or an equivalent escalated crime type, to ensure no officers treat sex workers in this way, putting them at heightened risk?

Three women in South London (1) **Question No: 2013/4702**

Andrew Boff

The recent 'slave house' case in South London revealed how trafficking can be unorganised. Will you be encouraging the MPS Trafficking Unit to recognise the need to proactively seek trafficking that isn't taking place within international criminal networks?

Three women in South London (2)

Question No: 2013/4703

Andrew Boff

The Police warned Lambeth council about their concerns regarding the 'slave house' 15 years ago. Will you be calling on local authorities to be taking more steps to recognise and act on concerns regarding exploitation?

Soho brothel raids **Question No: 2013/4704**

Andrew Boff

After the Newham raids in 2011 there was no effective support in place or any follow-up work and women ended up working on the streets in Ilford. Similar large-scale raids took place in Soho on the 4 December 2013. Do you know what processes to support the women, found on brothel raids, are now in place so that these women have not ended up being even more vulnerable?

Soho raids and victim focus **Question No: 2013/4705**

Andrew Boff

On 4 December 2013 brothel raids took place which aimed to find vulnerable, at-risk trafficking victims; however the police brought the Evening Standard to the raid and allowed them to publish photos of the women (who tried to hide their faces but could possibly be recognised by their hair and clothes etc). If police are looking for vulnerable trafficking victims, do you think they should avoid creating further stigmatization and risk, and not allow the media to take pictures of them?

Increase in Domestic Violence Offences Question No: 2013/4706

Roger Evans

I am very concerned that figures obtained by the London Probation Trust from police show that domestic violence offences in the 12 months leading up to September 2013 have increased in Redbridge by 18.8 per cent. Do you know why is this happening and what are the police doing to ensure that victims of domestic violence are being helped?

Burglary Hotspot Areas Question No: 2013/4707

Roger Evans

Do you know what measures the police are taking in tackling the prevention of burglaries in hotspot areas of Havering and Redbridge?

Drug Hotspot Areas Question No: 2013/4708

Roger Evans

Do you know what measures the police are taking in tackling youth and adult drug offenders in London before it gets to the point of going through the criminal justice system?

Road traffic police targets

Question No: 2013/4710

Richard Tracey

Is it right that road traffic police in London have been given a target to issue ten tickets per month to cyclists?

24 Hour Tube

Question No: 2013/4712

Richard Tracey

What effect do you expect the introduction of a 24 hour per day Tube on Fridays and Saturdays to have on London's economy?

Heathrow Noise (1) Question No: 2013/4714

Richard Tracey

Do you support London First's suggestion of a Noise Pollution Tsar?

Heathrow Noise (2) Question No: 2013/4715

Richard Tracey

Do you agree that, whilst a Noise Pollution Tsar would be desirable, even a radical reduction in aircraft noise would not render Heathrow Airport suitable for expansion?

Transport Links to Airports

Question No: 2013/4716

Richard Tracey

Do you agree that, whilst improvements in transport links to London's airports are sensible and desirable, they will not be sufficient to allow the Government to ignore the need to choose a new hub airport to replace Heathrow?

Outer London Fund Question No: 2013/4718

Steve O'Connell

What are the future plans and timescales for the Outer London Fund?

Planning Protection for Pubs

Ouestion No: 2013/4719

Steve O'Connell

What plans do you have to improve protections for pubs in next year's alterations to the London Plan, and in any Supplementary Planning Guidance in the meantime?

Tram Extensions (1) Question No: 2013/4721

Steve O'Connell

In the light of the TfL Business Plan, please detail the ongoing work with Sutton, Croydon and Merton in order to make future tram extensions more likely?

Tram Extensions (2) **Question No: 2013/4722**

Steve O'Connell

In the light of the TfL Business Plan, please detail which potential funding opportunities you believe are likely to be most fruitful in facilitating future tram extensions?

Road drug testing

Question No: 2013/4723

Steve O'Connell

Would you consider piloting swab tests, currently being used by Sussex Police, to help police catch drivers who have been taking cannabis over the Christmas period?

London's Waterways (1)

Question No: 2013/4724

Victoria Borwick

Can the Mayor encourage developers with riparian developments to increase the number of moorings and marinas on the Thames?

London's Waterways (2)

Question No: 2013/4725

Victoria Borwick

As eyes on the river are a useful for a range of reasons, what can the Mayor do to increase the number of moorings particularly in renovated waterways?

London's Waterways (3) **Ouestion No: 2013/4726**

Victoria Borwick

If we want to fully utilise the space in London we need to be more flexible and encourage more moorings both in the canals and on the Thames. Can the Mayor therefore review the London Plan to encourage more moorings?

London's Waterways (4) Question No: 2013/4727

Victoria Borwick

As public money has transformed the Olympic Park, can the Mayor confirm as to why only two new visitor moorings will be provided in the Olympic park?

Provision of additional taxi ranks in the London borough of Bexley Question No: 2013/4729

James Cleverly

Whilst all other outer London boroughs have a provision of 3 or more taxi ranks, many of which are located at or very close to mainline railway stations, according to the list of TfL Appointed Taxi Ranks updated on 4 September 2013 there is only 1 taxi rank with space for 2 vehicles in the London Borough of Bexley, and that is located on Townley Road, Bexleyheath, some distance from the railway station. Will the Mayor ask TfL to undertake a feasibility study on the provision of a further taxi rank in the London Borough of Bexley, ideally close to one of the railway stations which serve the borough in order to assist suburban taxi drivers to ply their trade and members of the public to use their services?

Provision of additional taxi ranks outer London boroughs Ouestion No: 2013/4730

James Cleverly

According to the list of TfL Appointed Taxi Ranks updated on 4 September 2013, the boroughs of Bexley and Hillingdon have the lowest provision of taxi ranks, with Bexley having 1 and Hillingdon having 3 (of which 2 serve mainline railway stations). Will the Mayor ask TfL to undertake a feasibility study on the provision of additional taxi ranks in all outer London boroughs to assist suburban taxi drivers ply their trade and members of the public to use their services?

Air quality funding Question No: 2013/4731

James Cleverly

What will be the main benefits of the £335,000 Government funding that you have secured to improve London's air quality?

Excess Winter Mortality Question No: 2013/4733

Jennette Arnold

Are you doing anything to ensure that the number of Londoners who die this year as a result of the phenomenon known as Excess Winter Mortality is zero?

Ticket Office Closures (1)

Question No: 2013/4734

Jennette Arnold

When you close ticket offices across the TfL network, how will you ensure your decision does not breach Safety Certificate and Safety Authorisation documents?

TfL Ticket Office Closures (2)

Question No: 2013/4735

Jennette Arnold

When you close ticket offices across the TfL network, where will you re-locate the communications equipment that is currently located in the ticket offices, and which is used to contact other stations across the network, used as a public address, and used as the liaison with emergency services? How much do you envisage this will cost? And where will you find the money to do this?

TfL Ticket Office Closures (3)

Question No: 2013/4736

Jennette Arnold

Where are the relevant documents to show that you have shown due regard to the Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) when making the decision to close ticket offices and cut hundreds of jobs across the TfL network by 2015? Please may I have a copy of them?

Congestion Charge Question No: 2013/4737

Jennette Arnold

Since you were first elected in 2008, can you provide me with a breakdown of the total revenue received through the Congestion Charge, and the cost breakdown of where and how this has been re-invested?

Freedom Pass

Question No: 2013/4738

Jennette Arnold

Can you update me on the timeframe for when users of Freedom Passes will be able to use them 24 hours per day on trains run by other Train Operating Companies outside of TfL's remit?

CCTV cameras on London Buses (1)

Question No: 2013/4739

Jennette Arnold

A recent incident at Walthamstow Bus Station I have dealt with alerted me to the fact that CCTV equipment is not always fit for purpose when it comes to identifying people. At which stations/stops are CCTV cameras located across the entire London Buses network? How many are there at each of these sites? How are they maintained to ensure they are always operational? Is there any review of whether there needs to be an increase in the number of CCTV cameras/whether they need to be re-located for better effect?

CCTV cameras on London Buses (2)

Question No: 2013/4740

Jennette Arnold

I believe it is necessary to install 'Help Points' at all key stations on the London Buses network. Do you have any plans to do this?

Free Schools sites

Question No: 2013/4741

Jennette Arnold

Can you update me on where the sites are that you are providing for new Free Schools to be built on?

Help to Buy

Question No: 2013/4742

John Biggs

Having slithered around the question of whether the second round of Help to Buy risked inflating a bubble, would you now agree with your Chief Economic Adviser that it does?

Bow Roundabout Question No: 2013/4743

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John Biggs

I have been contacted by a constituent who is confused about the signage on the approach to Bow Roundabout from west to east, on the north side. There is no signage to signal to motorists that they can use the flyover to get to Stratford, the sign is only visible when it would be too late for the motorists to take the flyover. Please could you ensure that this flyover is properly signposted so motorists can use it instead of joining the congestion at Bow Roundabout?

Construction Site Safety **Question No: 2013/4744**

John Biggs

Construction deaths in London have doubled from four in 2011/12 to 8 last year. I understand that the trade union UCATT have requested a meeting with you to discuss construction safety. Will you agree to this request and meet with them as soon as possible on this serious topic?

Council Tax under your predecessor

Question No: 2013/4745

John Biggs

What was the Real Terms increase (i.e. after inflation) of Council Tax element of the GLA Group's budgets under your predecessor?

Fares Under your predecessor

Question No: 2013/4746

John Biggs

What was the Real Terms increase (i.e. after inflation) of Fares under your predecessor?

Fares Under your administration

Question No: 2013/4747

John Biggs

What has been the Real Terms increase (i.e. after inflation) of Fares under your administration?

Safety Camera Replacement & Average Speed Cameras Question No: 2013/4748

John Biggs

Why have you vetoed further Average Speed Cameras on TfL roads, even though it is proved that in the right places they can save lives?

Council Cuts

Question No: 2013/4749

John Biggs

Do you share Sir Merrick Cockell's view that council services are at 'breaking point' and that further cuts, which are particularly impacting upon local authorities in the capital, should be reversed?

Sanofi Aventis

Question No: 2013/4750

John Biaas

Will you publish in full your reasoning behind the recent decision on this vital project?

Racial discrimination in London's letting agencies **Question No: 2013/4751**

Tom Copley

In the light of the recent shocking reports about racial discrimination by letting agents in London, what steps will you take through your London Rental Standard to stamp out this illegal and discriminatory practice?

Landlords checking visas **Question No: 2013/4752**

Tom Copley

The Government has introduced plans for private landlords to check tenant's immigration status from October 2014. Do you support these plans, do you believe they are implementable and what are you doing through your London Rental Standard to help landlords with this new requirement?

Meetings with Trade Unions

Ouestion No: 2013/4753

Tom Copley

What meetings have you had with officials from trade unions representing police, fire and transport staff since your re-election in May 2012?

Cycling in London Ouestion No: 2013/4754

Tom Copley

Please set out what urgent action you intend to take to make London's streets safer for cyclists.

Minimum number of staff at a Tube station **Question No: 2013/4755**

Tom Copley

What will be the minimum number of staff at a Tube station during opening hours if your proposals to close ticket offices are implemented?

Meetings with Unions about changes to Underground Service **Question No: 2013/4756**

Tom Coplev

What discussions did you and TfL officers have with trade unions before announcing your proposal for a 24-hour Tube service at weekends?

Night Buses

Question No: 2013/4757

Tom Copley

Will there be any reduction in weekend night bus services if TfL's proposal to run a 24-hour weekend Tube service are implemented?

Cultural Strategy

Question No: 2013/4758

Tom Copley

You previously stated you would update your Cultural Strategy in 2013 (3662/2012) - when can we expect this to be published?

Londoners' Card

Question No: 2013/4759

Tom Copley

The GLA website still says that the GLA is working with London Councils to explore the feasibility of introducing a 'Londoners' Card' to the capital. What was the outcome of this?

Liaison with London Councils about Cultural Services Question No: 2013/4760

Tom Copley

Please can you list meetings that have taken place in the past twelve months with London Councils about cultural services, as Policy Proposal 2.3 in your Cultural Metropolis plan outlines.

Cultural Events at City Hall Question No: 2013/4761

Tom Copley

Your Cultural Strategy highlights the Music Education Summit in 2009 and Children's Art Day held in 2010 - are you planning any follow up or similar events?

Open House Weekend Question No: 2013/4762

Tom Copley

In your Cultural Strategy you say that you endorse the annual Open House weekend. Do you think this scheme could be extended, and would your office be willing to facilitate discussions about this?

Lease Extensions

Question No: 2013/4763

Tom Copley

A constituent has contacted me about extending the lease in their shared ownership property. They own 50% of the property but cannot extend the lease without owning the property outright, which makes the property difficult to sell. Due to the increase in property prices buying outright has become very expensive. Will you lobby for a change to the existing legislation (the Leasehold Reform Housing and Urban Development Act 1993) so housing associations offer more assistance to Londoners who having invested in Shared Ownership are now effectively unable to move.

Lifetime Homes

Question No: 2013/4764

Tom Copley

What was the (a) total number and (b) proportion of affordable homes in London that were delivered to (i) Lifetime Homes standards and were (ii) wheelchair accessible in each year since 2008?

Housing Moves (1) Question No: 2013/4765

Tom Copley

How many households have moved each month through the Housing Moves website since it was established?

Housing Moves (2) Ouestion No: 2013/4766

Tom Copley

What is the average daily number of unique visitors to the Housing Moves website?

Housing Moves (3) Question No: 2013/4767

Tom Copley

What have been (a) the total number of moves facilitated by the Housing Moves websites and (b) the total number of moves requested through the website?

Housing Moves (4) Question No: 2013/4768

Tom Copley

What has been the GLA's total expenditure on the Housing Moves website to date?

Rough sleeping (1) Question No: 2013/4769

Tom Copley

How many people have been counted as sleeping rough in London so far this winter?

Rough sleeping (2) Question No: 2013/4770

Tom Copley

How much of the £3.5 million in grants announced by the government on 6 November 2013 will be allocated to London? How will this funding compliment the Mayor's work on rough sleeping?

Draft London Housing Strategy Question No: 2013/4771

Tom Copley

What was the evidence base used to arrive at the draft London Housing Strategy target of 42,000 new homes per year?

Help to Buy

Question No: 2013/4772

Tom Copley

Do you agree with your Chief Economic Adviser, Gerard Lyons, that "Help to Buy was not necessary" and that the policy has created a "lethal combination of cheap money, leverage and one way expectations" that was "one of the problems we had before the crisis"?

Overseas investment in London residential property Question No: 2013/4773

Tom Copley

Why have you thus far refused the Assembly's request that you commission research into the impact of overseas investment in London residential property on London's housing market?

Sale of Metropolitan Police Accommodation Question No: 2013/4774

Tom Copley

The Metropolitan Police is selling family accommodation which it leased to Crown Housing Association in Croydon, threatening families with homelessness. I understand Croydon Council wants to buy this housing, what steps will you undertake to assist with the transfer of these properties to Croydon Council?

Demand at North Greenwich: Network Rail Emergencies Question No: 2013/4775

Len Duvall

The fire at a signal box just outside London Bridge on the 26th of November led to overcrowding and angry scenes at North Greenwich underground station and bus interchange for much of the evening. Passengers complained at the lack of informed staff, fights broke out and eventually the police were called. How rapidly can TfL react to such events and what spare capacity is there in the South East London bus network to allow a degree of flexibility to meet unusual patterns of demand?

Demand at North Greenwich: the London Bridge Fire and its Upcoming Redevelopment.

Question No: 2013/4776

Len Duvall

The fire at a signal box just outside London Bridge on the 26th of November led to overcrowding and angry scenes at North Greenwich underground station and bus interchange for much of the evening. Passengers complained at the lack of informed staff, fights broke out and eventually the police were called to marshall the bus queues. What lessons can this incident provide for Transport for London's planning for the upcoming redevelopment of London Bridge, during which Greenwich line trains will be unable to stop at this major terminus?

The 132 Bus

Question No: 2013/4777

Len Duvall

Despite being upgraded to a double decker only last year, demand for the 132 bus between Bexleyheath and North Greenwich appears to outstrip supply. I am regularly contacted by constituents complaining that in the morning peak it is full by Eltham and in the evening, the queue at North Greenwich regularly outstrips the capacity of one bus. Residents are also suspicious of the route's claim to run "every 10–12 minutes" when Countdown regularly displays 18 or 23 minute waits. Will the Mayor direct Transport for London into looking at increasing capacity on this successful and popular route?

Convoys Wharf

Question No: 2013/4778

Len Duvall

What discussions did the Mayor of London and GLA officers have with the London Borough of Lewisham in regard to its progress with the developers, Hutcheson Whampoa, of Convoys Wharf? Did the GLA seek the views of the local authority on the progress of the application before deciding to take it over?

Convoys Wharf 2

Ouestion No: 2013/4779

Len Duvall

What discussions has the Mayor of London and GLA officers had with the London Borough of Lewisham since the decision to take over the Convoys Wharf application?

Convoys Wharf 3

Question No: 2013/4780

Len Duvall

Did the Mayor meet with Hutcheson Whampoa on his recent trip to China?

Run to the Beat 2013 Question No: 2013/4781

Len Duvall

Now the stakeholder debrief has occurred, would the Mayor outline the lessons for Transport for London and the Metropolitan Police Service from this year's Run to the Beat?

Affordable Housing Renegotiations

Question No: 2013/4782

Len Duvall

In what circumstances would you agree to a zero contribution for affordable housing in a strategic development?

Housing Strategy 1 Question No: 2013/4783

Nicky Gavron

Your draft Housing Strategy proposes the creation of 'Housing Zones' and notes that one of the "measures" for these designated areas could be "effective land assembly." What role would the GLA play in the land assembly process within these zones?

Housing Strategy 2 Question No: 2013/4784

Nicky Gavron

Your draft Housing Strategy proposes the creation of 'Housing Zones' and notes that you have "asked the government to work jointly on developing options." When did you first approach the Government about this proposal?

Housing Strategy 3 Question No: 2013/4785

Nicky Gavron

Your draft Housing Strategy says you are likely to support "any proposals which restrict or reduce the ability of developers to extend the life of existing, unimplemented, planning permissions." Does this include use it or lose it planning permissions?

Earls Court

Question No: 2013/4786

Nicky Gavron

Did you actively consider whether to delegate your planning function on the Earls Court application? If so, what actions were taken in this regard?

London Planning Statement

Question No: 2013/4787

Nicky Gavron

Consultation on the draft London Planning Statement, which was published in December 2012, closed in February 2013. When will you publish the final version?

Basement development

Question No: 2013/4788

Nicky Gavron

Do you support the proposed Bill (Permitted Development (Basements) Bill 2013-14) to give powers greater councils to regulate construction of new basements and basement extensions?

Betting shops

Ouestion No: 2013/4789

Nicky Gavron

Planning minister Nick Boles wrote a private letter to Ladbrokes promising to make it easier to open more betting shops, noting provisions in the Growth and Infrastructure Act. Do you agree with the minister that local authorities' attempts to stem the proliferation of betting shops is a "significant problem"?

Pan London Dementia Action Alliance Question No: 2013/4799

Onkar Sahota

Given that the London Fire Brigade, TfL and the Metropolitan Police are already members of the Pan London Dementia Action Alliance, will the Mayor commit the GLA to join the alliance, sign the National Dementia Declaration, and move London a step forward to becoming a Dementia Friendly City?

24 Hour Tube in Hillingdon

Question No: 2013/4800

Onkar Sahota

Considering the Mayor is closing ticket offices across Ealing and Hillingdon, does he not think that it would be fair to ensure that residents along the Metropolitan line and Uxbridge branch of the Piccadilly also had access to 24 hour Tube lines?

Heating on TfL Busses Ouestion No: 2013/4801

Onkar Sahota

How many complaints relating to broken heating on busses did TfL receive last year, and what action is the Mayor taking to ensure that busses are maintained at a comfortable temperature throughout the winter months?

Inequality

Question No: 2013/4802

Onkar Sahota

Given his steadfast defence of inequality in his speech at the Margaret Thatcher lecture, how does the Mayor reconcile his belief in the value and importance of inequality, with his statutory duty to reduce health inequalities, of which wider determinants such as childhood poverty, school readiness, pupil absence, social isolation, 16-18 years olds not in education employment or training all impact, and is this the reason that of his almost 6 years as Mayor to date, he has only had an action plan for reducing health inequality for 2?

Smoking in Public Ouestion No: 2013/4803

Onkar Sahota

Given that smoking prevalence, cancer screening and mortality from cancer are all key indicators of Public Health, and that the Mayor has a statutory duty to reduce health inequality, can he explain how he has managed public places across London to be safer and more inclusive through the reduction of smoking, as outlined in his 'First Steps to Delivery'?

Cigarette Plain Packaging Ouestion No: 2013/4804

Onkar Sahota

Given that smoking prevalence, cancer screening and mortality from cancer are all key indicators of Public Health, and that the Mayor has a statutory duty to reduce health inequality in London, does he support the government's U-turn on cigarette plain packaging?

Health Inequalities unit (2)

Question No: 2013/4805

Onkar Sahota

How do you measure the outcomes of the work of your Health & Equalities - Health team?

Health Inequalities unit (3)

Question No: 2013/4806

Onkar Sahota

Can the Mayor outline the roles and responsibilities of his Health & Equalities - Health team?

Health Inequalities unit (4)

Question No: 2013/4807

Onkar Sahota

What is the remit the Mayor's Health & Equalities - Health team?

Kilburn Tube station

Question No: 2013/4808

Navin Shah

I understand TfL have recently informed some local residents that the level access would not be available at Kilburn until middle of next year. Can you confirm the date when access ramps will be made available at Kilburn Tube Station and rolled out across London?

Barclays Cycle Hire scheme (1)

Question No: 2013/4809

Navin Shah

I am delighted to hear that the southwest expansion of Barclays Cycle Hire scheme will go live on 13 December 2013. When do you plan to bring a scheme like this to Brent and Harrow?

Barclays Cycle Hire scheme (2)

Question No: 2013/4810

Navin Shah

What discussions have you had with officers in Brent and Harrow to facilitate this?

Public Health England

Ouestion No: 2013/4811

Navin Shah

According to Public Health England (PHE), about 40 people in the Brent are expected to die as energy bills surge during plummeting temperatures. However, the statistics, the most recent collected by PHE, are for the year 2010/11, raising concerns that the death toll could be higher as heating costs rise. Can you do anything to tackle fuel poverty?

Harrow-on-the-Hill Tube station (1) Question No: 2013/4812

Navin Shah

Can you give me an update on what is happening with regards to step free access at the station?

Harrow-on-the-Hill Tube station (2) Question No: 2013/4813

Navin Shah

Harrow-on-the-Hill Station is located in the area designated as 'Intensification Area' in London Plan. Does it therefore not make sense that it gets a funding priority by TfL to help vital economic growth without losing any further time?

Harrow-on-the-Hill Tube station (3) Question No: 2013/4814

Navin Shah

To assist funding of step-free access and other improvements for this vital transport hub (a key to longstanding regeneration of Harrow) should TfL not be looking at alternative ways of finding new funding streams like re-developing the existing bus station with a mixed use scheme (e.g. a bus garage with residential / offices above)? Don't you agree that there are other TfL properties / land adjacent the station that could and should also be given development consideration? Also, can you please advise me if any such viability is being undertaken?

Harrow-on-the-Hill Tube station (4) Ouestion No: 2013/4815

Navin Shah

What recent representations have been made recently from Harrow to you, Sir Edward Lister and TfL about the accessibility and town centre regeneration issues related to this station?

Stanmore Station (1) Question No: 2013/4816

Navin Shah

My constituents in Harrow, local residents, stakeholders (including a leading local disability group) and I totally reject TfL's and your contention that Stanmore Station is accessible. A constituent has complained to me that she wrote to you on 29th February and has still yet to receive a reply to her letter. Don't you think that this is discourteous and outright negligent behaviour? Can you promise to write to the constituent concerned and apologise?

Stanmore Station (2) **Question No: 2013/4817**

Navin Shah

Whilst an opportunity was missed to re-configure the arrangements to provide a welldesigned fit for purpose station for step-free access when the new platform was added to the station. Don't you think it's high time that a suitable lift access is provided for commuters plus those travelling to the world most famous RNOH and ASPIR?

Cuts in Tube Station Staffing (1) Question No: 2013/4818

Navin Shah

Prior to the elections in 2008, you made a pledge outside North Harrow Tube station to keep ticket offices open and to keep stations safe etc. I am deeply disappointed to hear that every ticket office on the Tube is to be shut by 2015 under your plans that will see 750 jobs cut. Will the staff cuts not adversely impact on passenger service including risk to the vulnerable and raise serious issues of safety and security?

London Underground's 24 Hour weekend service (1) **Question No: 2013/4819**

Navin Shah

You have announced London Underground will run weekend services 24 hours on the Piccadilly, Victoria, Central, Jubilee and Northern lines. Would you not require more staff to run a more efficient and safe service for those longer hours?

London Underground's 24 Hour weekend service (2) **Question No: 2013/4820**

Navin Shah

How many more staff would you be deploying at those 24 hour stations?

London Underground's 24 Hour weekend service (3) Question No: 2013/4821

Navin Shah

Why is the Bakerloo Line not included in the 24hr weekend service?

Bakerloo Line

Question No: 2013/4822

Navin Shah

When are Bakerloo Line trains to be refurbished and replaced?

Running Tracks (1) Question No: 2013/4823

Navin Shah

How many properly-constructed running tracks were there in London when you took office?

Running Tracks (2) Question No: 2013/4824

Navin Shah

Are you aware of how many running tracks are not in use any longer? Also are there any that you consider to be currently under threat?

Running Tracks (3) **Question No: 2013/4825**

Navin Shah

Will you undertake to protectany running track under your control ownership, for the benefit of Londoners?

Old Oak Common Super hub (1)

Question No: 2013/4826

Navin Shah

I refer to your recent announcement via a London newspaper proposing a Super hub at Old Oak Common creating 80,000 homes, 20,000 jobs and bringing major economic benefits to the area. I appreciate that you have consulted the relevant Councils like Brent but can you please explain why the members of Assembly's Planning Committee and Assembly Members for the Old Oak Common area were not even informed. let alone consulted?

Old Oak Common Super hub (2)

Question No: 2013/4827

Navin Shah

Is the super hub concept described as 'Mini Manhattan' in the newspaper a likely example of planning / regeneration model you would replicate elsewhere in London to meet the growth projections of London?

Old Oak Common Super hub (3)

Ouestion No: 2013/4828

Navin Shah

Does 'Mini Manhattan' solution reflect your thinking for major infrastructure development in London to meet London's future growth or is it just one off solution to make the best use of Crossrail and HS2 schemes?

Wembley Central Station Ouestion No: 2013/4829

Navin Shah

My constituents have complained about the state of the station. Whist one appreciates the changes taking place at the station my constituents are concerned at the length of time its taking to complete the building works and lack of facilities. May I please have some idea of completion programme of the station and what new/modern facilities will be available when the works at and around the station are completed.

Safety on Buses

Question No: 2013/4830

Navin Shah

Concerns of the safety of the elderly on 183 buses along Kenton Road (near Kingsbury Circle) and Pinner Road (near VB & Sons) in Harrow have been raised during school time (between about 3 to 5pm) to me and complaints of bus drivers driving away before elderly passengers take their seat. Can these issues be looked into jointly by both TfL and local police?

Bus Stop No. BL SG04 - Stanmore

Question No: 2013/4831

Navin Shah

Bus Shelters in Stanmore have been changed recently. The Wemborough Road bus stop (BL SGo4) on 186 bus route never had a bus stop. Can TfL provide a shelter as part of the renewal programme a shelter on Wemborough Road?

New Bus Route: Crest Road to Neasden Station Ouestion No: 2013/4832

Navin Shah

Crest Road (NW2) is a major road with 2 schools located on it and connects to other major roads infrastructure in the vicinity. The local schools/parents and residents have requested that TfL considers a bus service linking Neasden Station and Crest Road. Can TfL look into this asap?

Outer London Fund - Cricklewood, Brent Question No: 2013/4833

Navin Shah

Can your office help with the public realm project funded by OLF? The issue in the main involves removal of the two existing BT telephone kiosks, located in the planned upgrade area, subject of major ASB etc. All efforts to persuade BT have failed to date. Will you instruct relevant officers please to meet 'Cricklewood Town Team' and I to provide the necessary support to progress this for a satisfactory outcome and deliver a high quality public realm?

Bury Farm - Barnet Question No: 2013/4834

Navin Shah

The recent proposal for a golf course on Bury Farm would have impact on Harrow's 'Green Grid' which is linked wider London Green Grid. Do you think that green/open spaces and access offered by this site should be preserved and protected?

New Light rails

Ouestion No: 2013/4835

Navin Shah

With 100,000 more Londoners every year, will you reaffirm your new published policy of considering new light-rail lines in outer London, particularly for orbital journeys?

Hammerson

Ouestion No: 2013/4836

Navin Shah

Do you welcome the £15-million contribution of Hammerson (and Westfield) towards lightrail in their Croydon shopping centre project? Have you been involved in negotiating that figure?

Brent Cross Cricklewood (1) Question No: 2013/4837

Navin Shah

Can you explain your refusal for similar light-rail studies around Brent Cross Cricklewood, a much bigger scheme from the same developer that will adversely affect my constituency?

Brent Cross Cricklewood (2)

Question No: 2013/4838

Navin Shah

Do you agree that otherwise, Brent Cross shopping centre will remain largely car-based, with little modal shift towards use of the distant Northern Line station and the maybe-neverfeasible Thameslink station?

Old Oak Common report

Ouestion No: 2013/4839

Navin Shah

When you shortly publish your new Old Oak Common report, including about land in my constituency, will you agree to supply separate cost-benefit-ratios for North London Line, West London Line, Hounslow line and Dudding Hill line services of London Overground, to and from Old Oak Common?

Hounslow-to-Hendon Question No: 2013/4840

Navin Shah

Do you acknowledge that an interim Hounslow-to-Hendon London Overground service, without involving Old Oak Common at all, should be studied immediately?

Accessibility ramps on platforms

Question No: 2013/4841

Navin Shah

What progress are you making to provide accessibility ramps on platforms?

Peabody Hill bus service

Question No: 2013/4842

Valerie Shawcross

Further to your answer to my question number 2013/4336 please update further on the outcome of the route test on 20th November with regards to a bus service for the Peabody Hill estate?

Number 1 bus

Question No: 2013/4843

Valerie Shawcross

I have received an increasing number of complaints about the number 1 bus and a lack of reliability in recent months. How are TfL responding to this issue?

Bus services from Southwark Park Road **Question No: 2013/4844**

Valerie Shawcross

I have had several suggestions from constituents lately about improving bus connections between the Southwark Park Road area and Borough/London Bridge. What plans do TfL have for addressing concerns about bus connectivity in this area?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (1)

Question No: 2013/4845

Valerie Shawcross

What equality impact assessment have you made on your proposals in respect of the effect on older people?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (2)

Question No: 2013/4846

Valerie Shawcross

What equality impact assessment have you made on your proposals in respect of the effect on disabled people?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (3)

Question No: 2013/4847

Valerie Shawcross

What equality impact assessment have you made on your proposals in respect of the effect on women?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (4)

Question No: 2013/4848

Valerie Shawcross

What assessment has have you made on whether the same range of tickets will be still available to passengers following his proposals?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (5)

Question No: 2013/4849

Valerie Shawcross

What assessment have you made on whether passengers will still be able to receive the same level of advice on ticket options following his proposals?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (6)

Question No: 2013/4850

Valerie Shawcross

What assessment did you make on the impact on the security of passengers and staff following his proposals?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (7)

Question No: 2013/4851

Valerie Shawcross

What protections will be put in place to ensure that passengers do not pay more for tickets as a result of not receiving correct travel advice following your proposals?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (8)

Question No: 2013/4852

Valerie Shawcross

What estimate have you made of which stations and for how long may be unstaffed as a result of cutting the overall number of station staff?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (9)

Question No: 2013/4853

Valerie Shawcross

What estimate has you made of the number of stations that will be staffed by a single member of staff and what are those stations?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (10)

Question No: 2013/4854

Valerie Shawcross

How will you guarantee that stations which just have a single member of staff are staffed at all times?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (11)

Question No: 2013/4855

Valerie Shawcross

Will you guarantee that all LUL stations will be staffed at all times?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (12)

Question No: 2013/4856

Valerie Shawcross

What other options were considered to making savings as an alternative to your proposals?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (13)

Question No: 2013/4857

Valerie Shawcross

What is your view on TFL providing retail facilities to companies who have been criticized for tax avoidance?

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (14)

Question No: 2013/4858

Valerie Shawcross

What consultants have you and TFL employed to advise on how to make efficiency savings in the last two years and how much have they been paid.

London Underground's vision for the future - station staffing proposals (15)

Question No: 2013/4859

Valerie Shawcross

What consultants have you and TFL employed to advise on your proposals in the last two years and how much have they been paid.

DBS check (1)

Question No: 2013/4860

Valerie Shawcross

Please state how long the average taxi driver DBS check took in every financial year since 2008/9, up to and including the current year to date?

DBS check (2)

Question No: 2013/4861

Valerie Shawcross

Will you consider giving applicants temporary licenses, while they are waiting for their DBS check to be completed as other licensing authorities in the UK do? Please give your reasons.

Operation Safeway Question No: 2013/4862

Valerie Shawcross

For every day of Operation Safeway can you list how many officers are involved and which locations they have been deployed at? Please list all the locations.

Bus Routes

Question No: 2013/4863

Valerie Shawcross

Following November's TfL finance and policy sub-committee can you confirm the 15 daytime bus routes and 15 night-time bus routes that have been identified for possible withdrawal?

TfL and the Living Wage

Question No: 2013/4864

Valerie Shawcross

Please can you list all companies that are part of the TfL chain of contracting that do not pay the London Living Wage?

'Ready for Business' programme

Question No: 2013/4873

Joanne McCartney

I have been contacted by a resident who attended the National Enterprise Network conference in November and was interested to hear that the 'Ready for Business' programme, part funded by the Regional Growth Fund and matched by Barclays, was going well but is not delivered in London. The only mainstream support available in London is the New Enterprise Allowance and Start Up Loan Fund. Would you be able to look into providing a programme like this in London?

Cycle Task Force (1) Question No: 2013/4874

Joanne McCartney

Following on from MQ 1571/2013, can you outline the job description of the Cycle Task Force and whether they specifically focus on enforcing the rules of the road?

Cycle Task Force (2) Question No: 2013/4875

Joanne McCartney

When will the number of the Cycle Task Force be increased from 39 to 50?

Cycle Task Force (3) Question No: 2013/4876

Joanne McCartney

Can you break down by borough how will the 50 Cycle Task Force officers be deployed across London?

Buses stopping near kerb Question No: 2013/4877

Joanne McCartnev

Can you tell me how many complaints TfL have received about buses not stopping near the kerb, causing difficulty for elderly people, people with pushchairs and buggies or those who have mobility difficulties?

Unemployment rate in Tottenham

Question No: 2013/4878

Joanne McCartney

Tottenham currently has the highest unemployment rate in London which stands at 6.8 per cent. What action are you taking to tackle this?

Unemployment rate in Haringey

Question No: 2013/4879

Joanne McCartney

What is the youth unemployment rate in Haringey? What action are you taking to tackle this?

Unemployment rate in Enfield Question No: 2013/4880

Joanne McCartney

What is the youth unemployment rate in Enfield? What action are you taking to tackle this?

Waste capacity in North London

Question No: 2013/4881

Joanne McCartney

A resident has raised their concerns with the potential over-capacity in waste management in North London due to the North London Waste Alliance striving to surpass your targets instead of basing it on the latest waste figures. The resident has asked what action you are taking to ensure that there is not a potential waste of resources in your waste management plans?

Waste capacity in London

Question No: 2013/4882

Joanne McCartney

How are you ensuring that waste in London is being dealt with according to the waste hierarchy introduced by the EU Waste Framework Directive? What actions are you taking to ensure we prevent creating unnecessary waste, and we reuse and recycle instead?

Electric Vehicles (1) Question No: 2013/4883

Joanne McCartney

Could you provide me with a breakdown of the number of electric vehicles in London by borough?

Electric Vehicles (2) Question No: 2013/4884

Joanne McCartney

Could you provide me with the number of electric vehicle charging points broken down by borough?

Food Poverty

Question No: 2013/4885

Joanne McCartney

Haringey Food Bank and Muswell Hill Soup Kitchen are expecting to see a rise in demand of their services in the run up to Christmas. What action are you taking to ensure that Londoners do not go hungry this winter?

Bus between Barnet, Chase Farm and Middlesex Hospitals Question No: 2013/4886

Joanne McCartney

Can you outline the discussions you have had, if any, with Barnet and Chase Farm Hospitals and North Middlesex Hospital regarding the trial shuttle bus being provided?

A406 junction with Milton Grove in Enfield Question No: 2013/4887

Joanne McCartney

Further to MQ 2100/2013 can you provide me with an update on the monitoring that took place in the summer and when you expect to make your decision? Have you also taken into account that people's travelling habits may change during the winter months? Can you outline what updates you have provided local residents?

A406

Question No: 2013/4888

Joanne McCartney

I am receiving increasing complaints from local residents in Enfield regarding the increasing traffic on the A406. What action are you taking to monitor and resolve this situation?

Mayor's Mentoring Scheme Quarter 2

Question No: 2013/4889

Joanne McCartney

Following on from MQ 2013/4211 could you please provide a breakdown on the number of referrals, mentors and matches per borough for Quarter 2?

Electric bike trial in Haringey (1)

Question No: 2013/4890

Joanne McCartney

Following on from MQ 2013/4214, when do you expect to have the details of the length of trial, cost and potential take up for the e-bike trial in Haringey?

Electric bike trial in Haringey (2)

Question No: 2013/4891

Joanne McCartney

Following on from MQ 2013/4216, when will you make your decision on where the 30 e-bikes to the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) will be deployed?

Crossrail 2 (1)

Question No: 2013/4892

Joanne McCartney

Given that 84 per cent of respondents to the Crossrail 2 consultation supported the regional option for Crossrail 2, do you support the regional or metro route?

Crossrail 2 (2)

Question No: 2013/4893

Joanne McCartney

Can you confirm that all stations on the Crossrail 2 route will be fully accessible to all passengers?

Quietways in Haringey Question No: 2013/4894

Joanne McCartney

When will the Quietways be implemented in Haringey? How long will you monitor them to ensure they are safe and to measure the uptake?

Metropolitan Open Land (1)

Question No: 2013/4895

Joanne McCartney

A resident has contacted me to ask how many hectares of Metropolitan Open Land in London have been built on each year since 2000?

Metropolitan Open Land (2)

Question No: 2013/4896

Joanne McCartney

A resident has contacted me to ask what action are you taking to protect green belt and Metropolitan Open Land from development?

Safer Neighbourhood Teams/Local Policing Teams

Question No: 2013/4897

Joanne McCartney

Can you please provide a list of PC, Sergeant and PCSO actual strength and vacancy levels per Borough and per Ward for September 2013 for London's Safer Neighbourhood Teams/Local Policing Teams? Please provide this information in the same format as the appendix provided to guestion 3235/2012

Emergency Call Responses (1)

Question No: 2013/4898

Joanne McCartney

Please outline categories that the MPS use to classify different kinds of Emergency 999 calls, please also give the target response time the MPS has set for itself to respond to these different types of call.

Emergency Call Responses (2)

Question No: 2013/4899

Joanne McCartney

Please give the number of emergency calls, by category per borough and per month for the past 24 months please include what number and percentage of the calls were responded to within the target time.

Emergency Call Responses (3)

Question No: 2013/4900

Joanne McCartney

Does your data recording show the number of calls that were miscoded? If so, please share the number of miscoded calls per Borough for the past 24 months.

FGM: flights to and from high-risk countries

Question No: 2013/4901

Joanne McCartney

What protocols exist or actions are you and the MPS taking with the UKBA regarding monitoring flights of high risk individuals to countries where FGM is prevalent?

MPS Professional Standards Budget

Question No: 2013/4903

Joanne McCartney

Do you know how much of the Met's Professional Standards Budget will be reallocated to funding the IPCC?

Rise in reported rape Question No: 2013/4904

Joanne McCartney

How many of the reported rape cases in the past year (rolling 12 months) have arisen from historic allegations and how many from recent incidents?

Ringslade Rat Run, N22 (1)

Question No: 2013/4905

Joanne McCartney

There is an on-going issue with 'rat running' on Ringslade Road/Watsons Road in Haringey. I understand that TfL rejected the possibility of creating a right turn at Wood Green Station (for all Vehicles) into Station Rd which will help to alleviate the pressure on Ringslade road/Watsons road. What actions are you taking to prevent the 'rat running' and resolve the issue?

Ringslade Rat Run, N22 (2)

Question No: 2013/4906

Joanne McCartney

Is the report by TfL on Ringslade Road/Watsons Road due this month now ready? If so, can it be made public and where it can be found? Can you also ensure that I receive a copy.

Shop-lifting (1)

Ouestion No: 2013/4907

Joanne McCartney

Please provide a breakdown of the number of shop-lifting offences per year over the past 4 years (rolling 12 months).

Shop-lifting (2)

Question No: 2013/4908

Joanne McCartney

Does the MPS hold data on shop-lifting by type of item stolen? If so please provide a breakdown of shop-lifting offences per year over the past 4 years (rolling 12 months) by item type.

MPS Status Dogs Unit

Question No: 2013/4909

Joanne McCartney

Please provide the annual kennelling costs for dogs retrieved by the Status Dogs unit for the past three financial years.

Care Leavers (1)

Question No: 2013/4910

Fiona Twycross

Considering that many children in care disproportionately become homeless, get involved in crime and are sufferers of mental illness when they leave their placements, do you not think that care leavers in London should be offered the chance to stay in care and supported until they are 21, given that the average age for leaving home is 24?

Care Leavers (2)

Question No: 2013/4911

Fiona Twycross

Do you think that it is right that children in care who are placed with agency carers in out of borough placements for long periods of time are forced to return to the local authority who arranged the initial placement when they turn 18. Considering that these young people have forged personal ties, built their own emotional support structures with foster carers and friends, do you not think that leaves these young people in a vulnerable position?

Care Leavers (3)

Question No: 2013/4912

Fiona Twycross

How can we ensure young people in London have access to a high level of emotional support after leaving care, particularly after they have had a while to adjust to living on their own, got past the initial excitement and are left just thinking and trying to deal with all the experiences of their past. Access to CAMHS (child and adolescent mental health services) isn't relevant post 18. Would you support a 'passport' for care leavers to access counselling services?

Care Leavers (4)

Question No: 2013/4913

Fiona Twycross

When a young person in care reaches 18, they are allowed to read their files containing all their personal history and meeting reports. Much of this information will be very traumatic and all coincides with the ending of statutory responsibility for care leavers. What additional support do you think the GLA could give to support this process?

Care Leavers (5)

Question No: 2013/4914

Fiona Twycross

Under Secretary of State for Children and Families Edward Timpson MP wrote a letter on October 30th to all local authorities regarding support for care leavers. Do you know how many local authorities in London have increased their care leavers grant to the £2000 minimum as suggested by the minister and the recommended amount of £3000?

Care Leavers (6)

Question No: 2013/4915

Fiona Twycross

Considering the tight budgets and tough choices local authorities have to work with, would you consider investing GLA funds into topping up local authority care leavers grants to ensure that our care leavers in London have the best possible start to living independently?

Care Leavers (7)

Question No: 2013/4916

Fiona Twycross

Some care leavers wish to experience leaving care in trainer flats prior to making a decision. What are you doing to support care leavers living independently?

Care Leavers (8)

Question No: 2013/4917

Fiona Twycross

Do you think that Hostels which are currently used as provision for care leavers in London should be inspected like children's homes are?

Train service to Denmark Hill and Peckham Rye

Question No: 2013/4918

Fiona Twycross

A constituent has contacted me calling for a more regular train service between Victoria and Denmark Hill/Peckham Rye. Did you submit a response to the recent Southeastern rail franchise consultation, and would you support the idea of four trains per hour stopping at all 'Catford loop' stations seven days a week?

Bus Lanes

Question No: 2013/4919

Fiona Twycross

What proportion of TfL bus lanes do not operate 24 hours a day 7 days a week?

Allotments (1)

Question No: 2013/4920

Fiona Twycross

In 2009 in your response to 3460/2010 you said 22 Boroughs responded to a survey and between them they had 507 sites which contained a total of 23,188 allotments. Have any further surveys been carried out about the number of allotments?

Allotments (2)

Question No: 2013/4921

Fiona Twycross

In 2010 (3460/2010) you said support provided through your Capital Growth Fund would create 2,012 new urban food growing spaces in London by 2012 - was this target reached?

Crystal Palace

Question No: 2013/4922

Fiona Twycross

In your answer to my question last month (2013/4365) you said you would delegate your planning powers on the Crystal Palace Development. Will this be to someone who reports to you?

London Minimum Wage Question No: 2013/4923

Fiona Twycross

Have you had the opportunity to read the report 'London Rising: The case for a London Minimum Wage', and would you support the introduction of the London Minimum Wage?

Accident and Emergency Services at Kings

Question No: 2013/4924

Fiona Twycross

With A&Es across London struggling to meet targets and, trust bosses at Kings College Hospital admitting its A&E is "enormously challenged" what reassurances have you sought from the Secretary of State for Health on the capacity of the NHS in London to cope this winter?

Thames Water

Question No: 2013/4925

Fiona Twycross

In your response to my question about the floods in Herne Hill 3263/2013 you said 'I continue to maintain pressure on Thames Water' can you confirm specifically if you met with or contacted Thames Water and what assurances you were given?

Cyber-Bullying

Question No: 2013/4926

Fiona Twycross

What steps is MOPAC taking to address the growing problem of cyber-bullying?

Domestic Violence Strategy

Question No: 2013/4927

Fiona Twycross

Your Violence Against Women and Girls strategy does not provide a timeline on the actions contained within it, when do you expect it to deliver results?

Growing Places Fund (1)

Question No: 2013/4928

Fiona Twycross

Following MQ 2013/4381, can you tell me how many SMEs have received funding from the Growing Places Fund since the launch in June?

Growing Places Fund (2)

Question No: 2013/4929

Fiona Twycross

How many apprenticeship starts have there been so far as a result of the allocation of £1.5m from the Growing Places Fund in June, and when you expect to have reached your target of 1,000 apprenticeship starts with an SME as a result of this funding?

Growing Places Fund (3)

Question No: 2013/4930

Fiona Twycross

How have you measured the success of the allocation of £1.5m from the Growing Places Fund to support 1,000 apprenticeship starts with an SME that had not employed an apprentice?

Apprenticeship target (1)

Question No: 2013/4931

Fiona Twycross

Following MQ 2013/4382, can you please answer whether you expect to meet your target of 250,000 apprenticeship starts by 2016, judging by the number of apprenticeship starts so far?

Apprenticeship target (2)

Question No: 2013/4932

Fiona Twycross

Following MQ 2013/4382, London Datastore figures show that the rate of apprenticeship starts have decreased by 10 per cent in 2012/2013 compared to previous years. Can you explain this decrease?

Apprenticeship starts (1)

Question No: 2013/4933

Fiona Twycross

Can you provide me with your definition of an apprenticeship start in London, and a list of requirements that an apprenticeship start needs to meet in order to be included in your figures?

Apprenticeship starts (2)

Question No: 2013/4934

Fiona Twycross

Can you provide me with a breakdown of apprenticeship starts per borough by year since 2010?

Apprenticeship starts (3)

Question No: 2013/4935

Fiona Twycross

Can you provide me with a breakdown of apprenticeships starts by sector per year since the start of your scheme in 2010?

Apprenticeship Living Wage (1)

Question No: 2013/4936

Fiona Twycross

Given that apprentices across the GLA group are paid the London Living Wage, I assume that you do not believe the £2.68 minimum rate for apprentices in their first year is fair. What are you doing to encourage businesses across London to pay their apprentices a London Living Wage?

Apprenticeship Living Wage (2)

Question No: 2013/4937

Fiona Twycross

Are contractors and agencies within the GLA family required to pay the London Living Wage to apprentices?

London Living Wage (1)

Question No: 2013/4938

Fiona Twycross

Following your recent call on more employers to adopt the Living Wage, have you had any discussions with football clubs, including Arsenal about them adopting the Living Wage?

London Living Wage (2) Question No: 2013/4939

Fiona Twycross

At November Mayor's Question Time we spoke about the fact your office sent 100 letters over the summer to employers. How many responses have you received, and how many are now paying the London Living Wage?

London Living Wage (3) Ouestion No: 2013/4940

Fiona Twycross

Following the 100 letters you sent over the summer to employers, will you now be contacting further employers about the London Living Wage?

London Living Wage (4) Question No: 2013/4941

Fiona Twycross

In your '2020 Vision' you state that the London Living Wage should be "the norm" in London by 2020. Do you believe that (at least the vast majority) of London employers can afford to pay it?

London Living Wage (5) Ouestion No: 2013/4942

Fiona Twycross

How many members of staff at the GLA currently work on promoting the London Living Wage to employers in London?

Apprenticeship over 25s Ouestion No: 2013/4943

Fiona Twycross

Can you provide me with a breakdown of the number of apprentices ages over 25, by age and per year since the start of your scheme in 2010?

Apprenticeship travel Question No: 2013/4944

Fiona Twycross

Can you provide me with the number of apprentices that live outside London, but commute into apprenticeships in London?

Apprenticeship travel discount (1)

Question No: 2013/4945

Fiona Twycross

Can you provide me with the number of apprentices that have taken up the 30 per cent discount in travel since it was launched?

Apprenticeship travel discount (2)

Question No: 2013/4946

Fiona Twycross

Would you consider extending the 30 per cent travel discount to apprentices working in London that live just outside of London, and for the whole of the apprenticeship instead of the first year only?

Apprenticeship advertising **Question No: 2013/4947**

Fiona Twycross

Can you provide me with a breakdown of where apprentices find out about the apprenticeship opportunity that they apply for? For example, through your campaign, the job centre, school careers service or word of mouth?

London Enterprise Panel Ouestion No: 2013/4948

Fiona Twycross

How is the London Enterprise Panel coordinating with regional partners in the wider South and South East of England?

TfL apprentices

Ouestion No: 2013/4949

Fiona Twycross

Thank you for your answer to question 2013/4339 on apprentices within Transport for London. Can you please provide figures for the (a) total number and (b) proportion of apprentices employed by Transport for London that were female in each year since 2008?

GLA capital programmes

Question No: 2013/4950

Fiona Twycross

What, if any, pay and working conditions do you require companies to meet when they receive funding from the GLA for capital projects such as the Affordable Housing Programme?

Capital spending in London

Question No: 2013/4951

Fiona Twycross

What has been the annual amount of capital investment delivered through the Greater London Authority and its functional bodies in each year since 2000? Please break down these figures by functional body.

Education enquiry Ouestion No: 2013/4952

Fiona Twycross

Why did you reject the recommendation by the London Assembly's Health and Public Services Committee that early education and childcare be included in your Education Enquiry?

Street markets

Question No: 2013/4953

Fiona Twycross

Thank you for your response to my question (2013/4348) on street markets in London. Could you please outline which markets you are supporting "in 21 places across 15 Local Authorities" in London, and what you are doing in each instance to support these?

Unemployment

Ouestion No: 2013/4954

Fiona Twycross

Do you know how many people are currently unemployed in London and how many jobs are currently advertised in the capital?

Youth unemployment Question No: 2013/4955

Fiona Twycross

Thank you for your answer to question 2013/4377 regarding youth unemployment among those from black and ethnic minority communities. Can you update the Assembly one whether any targets have been set since this question was tabled and, if not, when you anticipate targets will be agreed? Furthermore, what targets are you seeking in regards to this issue?

Damp Housing

Question No: 2013/4956

Fiona Twycross

A constituent has contacted me about damp housing. With recent energy bill increases, many will be forced to switch off their heating this winter. Under-heating causes damp - for many vulnerable Londoners, black walls, respiratory health problems and disintegrating homes have become a daily reality and this creates health inequalities. While programmes like ECO are beginning to improve energy efficiency, they are failing to tackle the problem of damp, and in some cases exacerbate it as they seal old buildings without installing the necessary ventilation. Given your responsibility for housing, what investment will you make to ensure homes are healthy and dry as well as energy efficient?

Heating or Eating Question No: 2013/4957

Fiona Twycross

In your response to my question (2013/4379) you said you are committed to ensuring London has a low-cost, secure and low carbon energy supply. Can you outline what action you have taken to meet this commitment?

Personal debt

Question No: 2013/4958

Fiona Twycross

What are you doing to help over-indebted households in London?

Credit Unions (1)

Question No: 2013/4959

Fiona Twycross

The GLA offers a Credit Union facility to staff through the London Mutual Credit Union. Will you follow the Duchess of Cambridge's example and join the LMCU to help promote it?

Excess Winter deaths Question No: 2013/4960

Murad Oureshi

What, if anything, are you doing to stop excess winter deaths in London?

Children and Fuel Poverty

Question No: 2013/4961

Murad Qureshi

In answer to MQ 2013/4245 you stated that you recently obtained funding from the Department for Energy and Climate Change for tackling Fuel Poverty. Please outline how much has been received, what funding pot this has come from and more precise details on how it will be spent?

Nuclear Power versus decentralised energy

Question No: 2013/4962

Murad Qureshi

How does your emphatic support for a new generation of nuclear power stations square with your aim to see more decentralised energy generation in the capital?

Green Levies

Question No: 2013/4963

Murad Qureshi

Do you agree with the reported comments of the Prime Minister that green levies which fund home insulation are nothing more than "green crap"?

October Storm

Question No: 2013/4964

Murad Qureshi

What conclusions were drawn on what could be learned from London's response to the storm?

Thames Water Price Increase (1)

Question No: 2013/4965

Murad Qureshi

Why did you not make representations to Ofwat regarding Thames Water's proposed price increase?

Thames Water Price Increase (2)

Question No: 2013/4966

Murad Qureshi

Given your apparent failure to stand up for Londoners against Thames Water, will you commit to make representations to regulators in future instances where utility companies seek to raise Londoners' bills still further?

Illegal Waste Sites

Question No: 2013/4967

Murad Qureshi

Has the Mayor made any estimation of the number of illegal waste sites in London?

Wind Farms

Question No: 2013/4968

Murad Qureshi

Please explain in what sense the London Array is different from other wind farm projects which you recently described as not able to "pull the skin off a rice pudding"?

DECC Fuel Poverty Funding (1)

Question No: 2013/4969

Murad Qureshi

Can the Mayor provide details of how the DECC fuel poverty funding received earlier this year by the GLA was spent?

DECC Fuel Poverty Funding (2)

Question No: 2013/4970

Murad Oureshi

Can the Mayor confirm how much money was awarded by DECC to the GLA?

DECC Fuel Poverty Funding (3)

Question No: 2013/4971

Murad Qureshi

Have all funds that the GLA received now been spent? How were the funds distributed?

GLA Responses to Government Consultations

Question No: 2013/4972

Murad Qureshi

Can the Mayor provide a list of all GLA submissions to Government consultations this year. As per MQ 2013/2596, are all of these posted on the GLA's website?

London Resilience Ouestion No: 2013/4973

Murad Qureshi

Is there a disaster response plan in place for London in the case of an incident involving the major release of radiation from a nuclear power plant? If no plan is in place, will you task the London Resilience Partnership to draw up such a plan?

Canary Wharf Waste Heat

Question No: 2013/4974

Murad Qureshi

What discussions have the Mayor or his officers had regarding retrofitting the Canary Wharf estate to capture waste heat?

Nuclear Energy (1) Question No: 2013/4975

Murad Qureshi

Has the Mayor read the recent briefing published by London-based investment bank Liberum Capital on the Government's recent deal to support Hinkley C nuclear power plant, which states "we are flabbergasted that the UK government has committed future generations of consumers to the costs that will flow from this deal". Given this latest study, does the Mayor continue to believe that nuclear power represent a good deal for Londoners (Turbines won't do job…let's go nuclear, The Sun, 15.09.13)?

Nuclear Energy (2) Question No: 2013/4976

Murad Qureshi

You have recently expressed strong support for both fracking and nuclear power playing an active part in London's energy future. How do you therefore respond to comments made by Lord Browne in his recent speech to the LSE who labelled nuclear power as "very, very expensive indeed" and that fracking would not help reduce gas prices in the UK?

How will these technologies help lower energy bills for Londoners?

Nuclear Safety

Question No: 2013/4977

Murad Qureshi

Are there estimates on the economic and health impacts to London which could arise as a result of a UK nuclear power station radiation leak?

Fracking

Question No: 2013/4978

Murad Qureshi

With the Mayor supporting the wider use of gas fracking will he commission work by GLA Economics to estimate the energy costs to Londoners that may arise as a result of fracking?

London Food Board Ouestion No: 2013/4979

Murad Oureshi

How many times has the Mayor's London Food Board met over the past two years? Are the minutes of these meetings posted on the GLA website?

Advisor Speaking Engagements

Question No: 2013/4980

Murad Qureshi

Can the Mayor list all events his Environmental and Energy advisor has spoken at over the past six months?

Advisor Visits (1)

Question No: 2013/4981

Murad Oureshi

Has the Mayor's Energy Advisor visited the Barkantine Combined Heat and Power (CHP) system and district heating network?

Advisor Visits (2)

Question No: 2013/4982

Murad Oureshi

Has the Mayor's Energy Advisor visited Europe's largest ground source heat pump system at One New Change?

Advisor Visits (3)

Question No: 2013/4983

Murad Oureshi

Has the Mayor's Energy Advisor visited the Olympic Combined Heat & Power (CHP) plant and district heating scheme?

Advisor Visits (4)

Question No: 2013/4984

Murad Qureshi

You responded in MQ 1141/2013 in March of this year that your Energy Advisor had as yet not visited the highly innovative Bunhill Combined Heat & Power (CHP) project and district heating scheme in Islington? Has he has the chance to do so now?

Bunhill Combined Heat and Power (CHP) plant Question No: 2013/4985

Murad Oureshi

Will the Mayor join me in congratulating Islington Council on winning the Combined Heat and Power Association's (CHPA) Public Sector award for their ground-breaking Bunhill Combined Heat and Power (CHP) plant?

C40 Cities initiative **Question No: 2013/4986**

Murad Qureshi

Following the Mayor's Energy Advisor's recent visits to San Francisco, Rio de Janeiro and New York to meet with the C40 Cities initiative, can he inform the Assembly of where and when the next C40 meeting will be and what the agenda for this meeting will be?

Changes to ECO

Question No: 2013/4987

Murad Qureshi

What impacts will the Prime Minister's recent changes to ECO have on your residential energy efficiency programme RE:NEW and its associated CO2 reduction targets?

Draft Housing Strategy (1)

Question No: 2013/4988

Murad Qureshi

Can the Mayor provide further details of how he "will support affordable housing providers to retrofit their entire stock for improved energy performance by 2020" as set out in his draft Housing Strategy?

Draft Housing Strategy (2)

Question No: 2013/4989

Murad Oureshi

Table 1 of the Draft Housing Strategy sets out that the your RE:NEW residential energy efficiency programme will look to more than double the level of CO2 savings from a 2013/14 target from 29,418 to 63,213 tonnes of CO2. Can the Mayor provide the Assembly with details on his plan to achieve this?

ECO

Question No: 2013/4990

Murad Qureshi

How will the announcement from DECC on 2 December, that it is to significantly reduce the roll out of solid wall insulation installs under the ECO, affect your energy efficiency strategy for London?

RE:NEW

Question No: 2013/4991

Murad Qureshi

How many fuel poor homes are you to looking to insulate by 2016 as part of your RE:NEW insulation programme?

Better Buildings Partnership

Question No: 2013/4992

Murad Qureshi

How are you working with the Better Buildings Partnership to help highlight large buildings energy use in London?

Top 500 energy-consuming buildings

Question No: 2013/4993

Murad Qureshi

Can you create a publicly accessible database of the top 500 energy-consuming buildings in London?

Investment in long term low carbon projects

Question No: 2013/4994

Murad Oureshi

With reference to MQ 2013/3193 you state that "the London Pension Fund Authority has certain internal required rates of return that it must achieve in order to be able to fund its liabilities". What are these IRRs and has any analysis been undertaken whether the LFPA could - as other councils have done - directly invest in long term low carbon projects in London such as solid wall insulation retrofits, district heating and solar power projects?

Supporting community-led energy projects Ouestion No: 2013/4995

Murad Qureshi

Your response to MQ 2013/3188 on the award-winning community-led energy scheme, Brixton Energy, stated that officers were "considering how Mayoral input may spread this success in London". This is clearly a huge issue of interest in the current energy debate about competition - what progress is being made by your officers on supporting community-led energy projects?

Home Insulation

Ouestion No: 2013/4996

Murad Qureshi

Can you provide detail on work going forward under your insulation programmes to support Londoners living in tower blocks?

RE:NEW 2012 Evaluation Report

Question No: 2013/4997

Murad Oureshi

Now over a year late in being released, will the RE:NEW 2012 Evaluation Report ever be published?

Know Your Rights helpline Question No: 2013/4998

Murad Qureshi

What information is supplied to fuel poor households who contact the Know Your Rights helpline?

RE:NEW support team Ouestion No: 2013/4999

Murad Qureshi

What are your future plans for the RE:NEW support team following their interim round of funding to December 2013?

War crimes investigations 1

Question No: 2013/5000

Murad Qureshi

How many cases of war crimes is the Metropolitan Police currently investigating?

Re-opening, War Crime Unit at Scotland Yard

Question No: 2013/5001

Murad Qureshi

With war criminals like Choudhury Moin-Uddin walking the streets of London, is not time now to reopen the War Crimes Unit separately at Scotland Yard?

War crimes investigations 3 Ouestion No: 2013/5002

Murad Oureshi

Do you think that eight senior detectives from the Metropolitan Police are enough to investigate the hundreds of war criminals that the Border Agency claims to be living in the UK? (Reference to eight senior detectives made in a report by the Daily Mirror by David Collins dated the 14th of March 2013)

War crimes investigations 4 Question No: 2013/5003

Murad Oureshi

Would you agree with me that war criminal investigations are hugely complicated and cannot be done half-heartedly?

War crimes investigations 5

Question No: 2013/5004

Murad Qureshi

Will you write to the Home Secretary to ask for additional funds to siphon off the war crimes team from counter terrorism command and give it the proper resources it deserves?

Prosecutions for road traffic accidents involving cyclists Question No: 2013/5005

Murad Qureshi

How many prosecutions have there been brought in the last five years as a result of road traffic accidents involving cyclists?

24 hour weekend Tube service

Question No: 2013/5006

Murad Qureshi

TfL's website describes your latest proposals for extending the Tube service at the weekends as a "new 24-hour Tube service ". Considering the number of station & line closures which take place every weekend; is this proposal feasible and is this description justifiable?

24 hour weekend Tube service and the Circle line Ouestion No: 2013/5007

Murad Oureshi

The circle line has a number of key stops some of which are home to a vibrant night time economy; so why has it been omitted from the latest proposals for a 24 hour Tube service at weekends?

24 hour weekend Tube service and the Hammersmith & City line Question No: 2013/5008

Murad Qureshi

The Hammersmith & City line has been omitted from proposals for a 24 hour Tube service at weekends. Would you agree with me therefore, that these proposals do not establish a 24 hour "Tube" service?

24 hour weekend Tube service and the District line Ouestion No: 2013/5009

Murad Qureshi

The District line has been omitted from proposals for a 24 hour Tube service at weekends. Would you agree with me therefore, that these latest proposals do not establish a 24 hour "Tube" service?

24 hour weekend Tube service and the Bakerloo line Question No: 2013/5010

Murad Oureshi

The Bakerloo line has been omitted from proposals for a 24 hour Tube service at weekends. Would you agree with me therefore, that these latest proposals do not establish a 24 hour Tube service?

Consultation for a 24 hour weekend Tube service Ouestion No: 2013/5011

Murad Qureshi

What consultations did TfL undertake before announcing their proposal for a 24 hour Tube service over the weekend?

Tottenham Hotspurs and Section 106 money **Question No: 2013/5012**

Murad Qureshi

Given that Haringey council revised the section 106 agreement to reduce the funding obligations from Tottenham Hotspur from £16 million to under £0.5m also removing the need to provide any affordable housing and further given the lucrative Sky/BT TV deal which the club have benefited from this season as well as enjoying the proceeds from the sale of one their players for £85 million; do you agree with me that Tottenham Hotspur football club should be making a higher contribution towards the regeneration of that community?

Tottenham Hotspurs and public funding Ouestion No: 2013/5013

Murad Oureshi

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Given that news of the lucrative Sky/BT TV deal which Tottenham Hotspur football club benefited from this season and the benefit to the club from the sale of one their players for £85 million both came to light after you pledged the £27 million of public funding for the area, will you consider renegotiating this sum?

Hedge Fund on London Health Commission Ouestion No: 2013/5014

Murad Qureshi

Why do we have a representative from a Hedge Fund called Alpha Strategic on the Board of the London Health Commission?

The Mayor's Education Conference 2013 (1) Question No: 2013/5015

Murad Qureshi

How much did it cost to host the Mayor's Education conference cost on the 22nd of November 2013?

The Mayor's Education Conference 2013 (2) Ouestion No: 2013/5016

Murad Oureshi

Did you invite any Assembly Members to attend the Mayor's Education Conference on the 22nd of November 2013 and if not, why?

Department of Education contribution to Mayor's Education Conference 2013

Ouestion No: 2013/5017

Murad Qureshi

Did the Department of Education make any financial contribution to the Mayor's Education Conference hosted by you on the 22nd of November 2013?

Piggy banking London housing

Question No: 2013/5018

Murad Qureshi

Can you take any steps to curb the increasing trend by wealthy overseas buyers of using London homes as piggy banks?

Buses & cyclist deaths Question No: 2013/5019

Murad Oureshi

What measures are you putting into place to minimise the number of cyclist deaths arising from collisions with buses?

Chinese investment in HS2

Question No: 2013/5020

Murad Qureshi

Following the Prime Minister's visit to China this week and his bid for Chinese investment in HS2, do you expect the Chinese will to play a greater role then you in shaping the proposals for the HS2 project?

Piccadilly line stop at Turnham Green (1)

Question No: 2013/5021

Murad Qureshi

Can you confirm how many people responded to the online survey about the issue of the Piccadilly line stopping at Turnham Green?

Piccadilly line stop at Turnham Green (2)

Question No: 2013/5022

Murad Qureshi

Apart from the online survey, have TfL used any other method to collate the views of the public about the issue of the Piccadilly line stopping at Turnham Green?

Piccadilly line stop at Turnham Green (3)

Question No: 2013/5023

Murad Qureshi

Further to your response to my question number 2013/4276, can you confirm when TfL expect to make a decision about publishing the report and its findings?

Air Pollution Deaths **Question No: 2013/5024**

Murad Qureshi

Why does the recently revealed Department of Health estimates of deaths attributable to air pollution concentrations for each London borough for 2011 not tally with your claim that emissions of PM10 in London have been reduced by 15% since 2008?

Biodiversity Offsetting

Question No: 2013/5025

Murad Qureshi

What representations, if any, has the Mayor's Office made with DEFRA on biodiversity offsetting for Greater London?

Windfall Tax

Question No: 2013/5026

Murad Qureshi

Do you support the comments made by Sir John Major in favour of a windfall tax on energy profits and could such a measure fund home insulation in London?

Operation Safeway Question No: 2013/5027

Murad Oureshi

How many fixed penalty notices have been issued to HGV drivers entering the cycle zone at traffic lights following the launch of Operation Safeway on the 25th of November?

24 hour weekend Tube service and the Docklands Light Railway Question No: 2013/5028

Murad Oureshi

The Docklands Light Railway is excluded from proposals for a 24 hour Tube service at weekends. This will mean that commuters using the Jubilee line in the small hours will be unable to connect to the Docklands Light Railway. Would you agree with me therefore, that these proposals do not establish a 24 hour "Tube" service?

Tube Station staff cuts (1)

Question No: 2013/5029

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Baker Street Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (2)

Question No: 2013/5030

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Bayswater Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (3)

Question No: 2013/5031

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Bond Street Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (4)

Question No: 2013/5032

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Charing Cross Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (5)

Question No: 2013/5033

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Covent Garden Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (6)

Question No: 2013/5034

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Edgware Road (Bakerloo line) Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (7)

Question No: 2013/5035

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Edgware Road (Hammersmith & City line) Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (8)

Question No: 2013/5036

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Embankment Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (9)

Question No: 2013/5037

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Great Portland Street Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (10)

Question No: 2013/5038

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Green Park Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (11)

Question No: 2013/5039

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Hyde Park Corner Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (13)

Question No: 2013/5040

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Lancaster Gate Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (14)

Question No: 2013/5041

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Leicester Square Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (15)

Question No: 2013/5042

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Maida Vale Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (16)

Question No: 2013/5043

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Marble Arch Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (17)

Question No: 2013/5044

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Marylebone Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (18)

Question No: 2013/5045

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Oxford Circus Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (19)

Question No: 2013/5046

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Paddington Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (20)

Question No: 2013/5047

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Paddington (Suburban) Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (21)

Question No: 2013/5048

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Piccadilly Circus Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (22)

Question No: 2013/5049

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Pimlico Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (23)

Question No: 2013/5050

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Queensway Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (24)

Question No: 2013/5051

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Regents Park Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (25)

Question No: 2013/5052

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Royal Oak Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (26)

Question No: 2013/5053

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at St James Park Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (27)

Question No: 2013/5054

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at St John's Wood Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (28)

Question No: 2013/5055

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Temple Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (29)

Question No: 2013/5056

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Tottenham Court Road Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (30)

Question No: 2013/5057

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Victoria Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (31)

Question No: 2013/5058

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Warwick Avenue Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (32)

Question No: 2013/5059

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Westminster Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (33)

Question No: 2013/5060

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Earls Court Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (34)

Question No: 2013/5061

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Gloucester Road Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (35)

Question No: 2013/5062

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at High Street Kensington Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (36)

Ouestion No: 2013/5063

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Holland Park Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (37)

Question No: 2013/5064

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Knightsbridge Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (38)

Question No: 2013/5065

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Ladbroke Grove Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (39)

Question No: 2013/5066

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Latimer Road Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (40)

Question No: 2013/5067

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Notting Hill Gate Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (41)

Question No: 2013/5068

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Sloane Square Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (42)

Question No: 2013/5069

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at South Kensington Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (43)

Question No: 2013/5070

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at West Brompton Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (44)

Question No: 2013/5071

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Westbourne Park Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (45)

Question No: 2013/5072

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Barons Court Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (46)

Question No: 2013/5073

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at East Acton Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (47)

Question No: 2013/5074

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Fulham Broadway Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (48)

Question No: 2013/5075

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Goldhawk Road Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (49)

Question No: 2013/5076

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Hammersmith (D&P) Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (50)

Question No: 2013/5077

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Hammersmith (H&C) Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (51)

Question No: 2013/5078

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Kensington (Olympia) Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (52)

Question No: 2013/5079

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Parsons Green Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (53)

Question No: 2013/5080

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Putney Bridge Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (54)

Question No: 2013/5081

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Ravenscourt Park Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (55)

Question No: 2013/5082

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Shepherd's Bush Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (56)

Question No: 2013/5083

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Shepherd's Bush Market Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (57)

Question No: 2013/5084

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at West Kensington Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (58)

Question No: 2013/5085

Murad Oureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at White City Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (59)

Question No: 2013/5086

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Wood Lane Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (60)

Question No: 2013/5087

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Boston Manor Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (61)

Question No: 2013/5088

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Gunnersbury Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (62)

Question No: 2013/5089

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Hounslow Central Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (63)

Question No: 2013/5090

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Hounslow East Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (64)

Question No: 2013/5091

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Hounslow West Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (65)

Question No: 2013/5092

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Osterley Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (66)

Question No: 2013/5093

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Stamford Brook Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube Station staff cuts (67)

Question No: 2013/5094

Murad Qureshi

How many station staff are currently employed at Turnham Green Brook Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Free School proposal for Westminster Fire Station Question No: 2013/5095

Murad Qureshi

I understand that there has recently been a visit to Westminster Fire Station by a free school party investigating the possibility of moving to those premises. Can you confirm whether or not this visit took place and potentially how much would the sale of the station raise for I FFPA?

Finchley Memorial Hospital Question No: 2013/5111

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answer to question, Question No: 2013/4186 and No: 78 / 2013, "What are you doing about a bus service for Finchley Memorial Hospital?", what "active discussion between Barnet Council and TfL" has taken place and on what dates; and what are the "range of options" you are looking at?"

And your reply

"These discussions are still under way. I will ask TfL to update you once those discussions have reached an initial conclusion"

Will you now answer the question as to what discussions have taken place and on what dates, will you publish the correspondence, set out the range of options, and when will a conclusion, initial or otherwise be reached?

Cycling safety 1 Question No: 2013/5112

Andrew Dismore

Further to Question No: 2013/4188

"Are you aware of the accident on 21 October, 2013 when a cyclist was hit by an eight-wheeled skip truck on Camden High Street and seriously injured? She was going along the High Street and the truck turned left into her as they went into Delancey Street. Does this not show that left turns across cycle lanes are inherently dangerous and should be stopped on Tfl_roads?"

Will you now provide a substantive response?

Cycling safety 2 Question No: 2013/5113

Andrew Dismore

Further to Question No: 2013/4189

"Will you reconsider the current proposed redesign of Cobden Junction which is inherently dangerous for cyclists, with a left turn across the cycle lane which can only lead to more serious accidents between cyclists and HGVs?"

Will you now provide a substantive response?

Increased aircraft noise Question No: 2013/5114

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answer to Question No: 2013/4192 "I am therefore writing to the Chief Executive of Heathrow Airport Ltd and the Chief Executive of NATS to ask them to explain what changes have been made to the flight paths in and out of Heathrow and why.",

Will you publish your correspondence with them and any reply received?

High Tube fares

Question No: 2013/5115

Andrew Dismore

Further to Question No: 2013/4193 and

Question No: 68 / 2013:

"When will you do something about the high Tube fares?"

Will you now provide a substantive response?

Pollution

Question No: 2013/5116

Andrew Dismore

Further to Question No: 2013/4196

"Will you now answer substantively Question No: 95 / 2013

About 75% of the TfL roads in Barnet are so polluted they are illegal under EU law. What are you doing about it?"

Will you now provide a substantive response?

Bus engine maintenance Ouestion No: 2013/5117

Andrew Dismore

Further to Question No: 2013/4199

"Will you now answer substantively Question No: 82 / 2013:

Are bus engines being maintained as efficiently and frequently under your watch as they were under Ken Livingstone, to help reduce pollution?"

Will you now provide a substantive response?

LIP funding

Question No: 2013/5118

Andrew Dismore

Further to Question No: 2013/4200

"Further to Question No: 88 / 2013 "What will the consequences be of your cut to the boroughs' LIP funding?" and your answer, "I have not made any decisions on the December 2013 TfL business plan" when will you make decisions?"

Will you now provide a substantive response?

Mayor's Vision for Cycling Question No: 2013/5119

Andrew Dismore

Further to Question No: 2013/4202

"Further to Question No: 97 / 2013: "While there is a lot of money (or at least a lot promised) through the Mayor's Vision for Cycling, Camden don't have enough officers to progress quickly to make improvements. Whilst TfL have given temporary money to assist with hiring people, would it not be better if boroughs had capacity and experts in post on permanent contract funded by TfL?" amd your answer, "TfL is discussing possible solutions with London Councils and individual boroughs including Camden", what possible solutions are under discussion and what is the timetable for them to be implemented?"

Will you now provide a substantive response?

Cycling and pedestrian casualties Ouestion No: 2013/5120

Andrew Dismore

How many cyclists and how many pedestrians have been killed and how many seriously injured in London, in Barnet, and in Camden this calendar year to date?

Tube station staff cuts 1 Question No: 2013/5121

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Brent Cross Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 2 Ouestion No: 2013/5122

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Burnt Oak Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 3 Question No: 2013/5123

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Colindale Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 4 Ouestion No: 2013/5124

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at East Finchley Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 5 Question No: 2013/5125

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Edgware Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 6 Question No: 2013/5126

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Finchley Central Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 7 Question No: 2013/5127

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Golders Green Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 8 Ouestion No: 2013/5128

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Hendon Central Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 9 Question No: 2013/5129

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at High Barnet Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 10 Ouestion No: 2013/5130

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Mill Hill East Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 11 Question No: 2013/5131

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Totteridge & Whetstone Tube station; and how many will be employed there , if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 12 Question No: 2013/5132

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at West Finchley Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 13

Question No: 2013/5133

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Woodside Park Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 14

Question No: 2013/5134

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Belsize Park Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 15

Question No: 2013/5135

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Camden Town Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 16

Question No: 2013/5136

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Chalk Farm Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 17

Question No: 2013/5137

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Chancery Lane Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 18

Question No: 2013/5138

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Euston Square Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 19

Question No: 2013/5139

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Finchley Road Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 20

Question No: 2013/5140

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Goodge Street Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 21

Question No: 2013/5141

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Hampstead Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 22

Question No: 2013/5142

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Holborn Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 23

Question No: 2013/5143

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Kentish Town Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 24

Question No: 2013/5144

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Mornington Crescent Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 25

Question No: 2013/5145

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Russell Square Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 26

Question No: 2013/5146

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Swiss Cottage Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 27

Question No: 2013/5147

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Warren Street Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 28

Question No: 2013/5148

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at West Hampstead Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 29 Question No: 2013/5149

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at Euston Tube station; and how many will be employed there, if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Tube station staff cuts 30 Ouestion No: 2013/5150

Andrew Dismore

How many station staff are currently employed at King's Cross Tube station; and how many will be employed there , if your jobs cuts package for station and ticket office staff goes through?

Apex Corner/ Mill Hill Circus 1 Question No: 2013/5151

Andrew Dismore

Will you now review traffic flows around Apex Corner/ Mill Hill Circus, particularly for traffic travelling from north to turn right, as the timing on the lights does not allow sufficient numbers of vehicles through, In practice this means only two average cars can stop before obstruction is caused, leading to tailbacks due to traffic trying to turn right even when the south of the junctions is clear?

Apex Corner/ Mill Hill Circus 2

Question No: 2013/5152

Andrew Dismore

When the traffic lights failed at Apex Corner/Mill Hill Circus, why did it take from 15th September to the 29th September (2 weeks) to be put right?

Roundabout at Canons Corner

Question No: 2013/5153

Andrew Dismore

Will you ask TfL to review the roundabout at Canons Corner, where the road to the M1 goes from Edgware on the A41 where 4 lanes of traffic are being forced into one lane for 1/4 mile - causing tremendous traffic blockages at spur road roundabout/Stanmore station road especially when there is an event at Wembley Stadium. There is enough room at the roundabout for a separate lane for London traffic only to bypass the hold-up, making it far easier to get to Edgware/ central London. Can action be taken to ameliorate this problem, and if not why not?

A41

Question No: 2013/5154

Andrew Dismore

What consideration have you given to increasing the single carriageway stretch of the A41 to dual carriageway, between Canons Corner/Spur Rd and the M1?

Congestion charge Ouestion No: 2013/5155

Andrew Dismore

A constituent recently complained to me that he inadvertently entered the congestion charge zone briefly, so googled 'Pay the congestion charge'. This took him to a site that enabled him to pay. Only later did he realise this was a scam, and was charging me for doing something he could have done for nothing. What are you doing to stop these scam websites?

Kings Cross gyratory system Ouestion No: 2013/5156

Andrew Dismore

In light of the number of cycling deaths, what is your timetable for sorting out

Kings Cross gyratory system to make it safer?

Pelican crossing on Colindeep Lane Question No: 2013/5157

Andrew Dismore

When will you make progress with the proposed Pelican crossing on Colindeep Lane? Whilst Barnet Council's Highways Design team is on track to have their design finalised this month the TfL signal design is pending and it does not appear the timescales Barnet have been given by TfL are compatible with Barnet's aspirations. As the proposal has become unexpectedly drawn out, it is now impinging on Barnet's ability to put the scheme on programme as they cannot do this until such a time as DPR approval is gained. Further, as it is standard practice for all contractors to give 3 months' notice to gain permits to commence the work on site, there is now a disappearing window that it will be built before the end of the financial year. Will you take action to get this project back on track within TfL?

Mill Hill East Tube 1 Question No: 2013/5158

Andrew Dismore

In view of the growing development at Mill Hill East, will you consider reintroducing direct Tube services to London throughout the day 5 times an hour instead of the 15 minute wait for a shuttle?

Mill Hill East Tube 2 Question No: 2013/5159

Andrew Dismore

In respect of the Mill Hill East shuttle why can't London Underground terminate this on the other side of Finchley Central before turning it round and going back from Platform 1 or run it to East Finchley before turning it round to give a same platform change?

Mill Hill East Tube 3 Question No: 2013/5160

Andrew Dismore

Mill Hill East station has difficult staircase access to the platform. It has been suggested that access would be improved by 2020. This is far too long to wait for elderly and disabled passengers who simply cannot safely manage the stairs. Can this be brought forward and if not, why not, given the considerable population growth in the area?

Saracens games and parking

Question No: 2013/5161

Andrew Dismore

Can TfL arrange for the electronic signs on the A1/A41 on days when Saracens are playing at Allianz Park Copthall Stadium to display that fact, to help ease congestion and parking problems?

Embankment Tube station

Question No: 2013/5162

Andrew Dismore

Embankment Tube station is facing considerable disruption due to escalator repair works. What have you done to mitigate this disruption and to ensure that the problems are kept to the minimum in duration?

Private lettings in Barnet

Question No: 2013/5163

Andrew Dismore

What percentage of private lettings in Barnet fall within the local housing allowance rates?

Private lettings in Camden

Question No: 2013/5164

Andrew Dismore

What percentage of private lettings in Camden fall within the local housing allowance rates?

Beaufort Park

Question No: 2013/5165

Andrew Dismore

Member: Andrew DismoreHave you read my letter to you of 24th October on behalf of a Beaufort Park resident whose case I raised with you at the last MQT? If so, when may I expect a reply and what can you do to help her situation?

Lesbian, gay and bisexual people's housing 1 Question No: 2013/5166

Andrew Dismore

Part of the remit of the Mayor's Housing Forum is to promote equality and diversity in the implementation of your housing strategy. As research by Stonewall and YouGov shows that almost one in five lesbian, gay and bisexual people expect to be treated worse than heterosexual people when applying for social housing, what plans do you have to give gay service users a voice in the forum?

Lesbian, gay and bisexual people's housing 2 Ouestion No: 2013/5167

Andrew Dismore

It is currently very difficult to track housing outcomes for vulnerable lesbian, gay and bisexual people as most housing authorities do not collect this data. What are you doing to make sure that we can gather the information we need to monitor and improve the housing experiences of lesbian, gay and bisexual residents?

Lesbian, gay and bisexual people's housing 3 Ouestion No: 2013/5168

Andrew Dismore

We know that young lesbian, gay and bisexual people are at a higher risk of homelessness than others. What have you done to make sure young gay people have access to emergency housing and the support they need to prevent homelessness?

Lesbian, gay and bisexual people's housing 4 Question No: 2013/5169

Andrew Dismore

One in four lesbian and bisexual women and half of all gay and bisexual men have experienced domestic abuse from a partner or family member. What are you doing about the lack of emergency accommodation for lesbian, gay and bisexual victims of domestic abuse?

Lesbian, gay and bisexual people's housing 5 Question No: 2013/5170

Andrew Dismore

Older lesbian, gay and bisexual people are often vulnerable and isolated, with YouGov research for Stonewall showing that they are more likely to have a history of mental ill health and more likely to live alone than heterosexual people. What will you do to make sure that housing providers applying to your Specialised Housing Fund are tackling effectively the loneliness and isolation faced by older lesbian, gay and bisexual people?

Lesbian, gay and bisexual people's housing 6 Question No: 2013/5171

Andrew Dismore

Older lesbian, gay and bisexual people should be able to be themselves where they live. However, research from Stonewall shows that half of older lesbian, gay and bisexual people feel uncomfortable telling care home staff they are gay and a third feel uncomfortable telling their housing provider, often for fear of discrimination. This contributes to isolation and vulnerability. What steps have you taken to encourage safe housing environments where older lesbian, gay and bisexual people feel able to be themselves?

London Gay Manifesto Ouestion No: 2013/5172

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answer to Question No: 2013/4148:

On 2 May 2012 you performed a U-turn on your pledge, made at the Stonewall London Gay Mayoral Hustings on 14 April 2012 and reaffirmed on 29 April, to deliver a London Gay Manifesto. Your office claimed you instead wanted to 'unite the many diverse groups that comprise London'. Since then what work have you done to achieve this goal? And how would it have been hindered by the existence of your promised London Gay Manifesto?

Your answer being:

My equality framework 'Equal Life Chances for All' is currently being revised, and outlines my approach to mainstreaming equality. My approach unites Londoners rather than segregating communities based on their identities, as has been done in the past. Please see my response to MQ 2863/2013 regarding direct engagement with London's LGBT communities.

When will the revision of your equality framework 'Equal Life Chances for All' be completed and when will it be published?

Barnet police and the MP for Finchley and Golders Green 1 Question No: 2013/5173

Andrew Dismore

Have you or the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police received a bill from the MP for Finchley and Golders Green for police advice given regarding the protest camp outside his office?

Barnet police and the MP for Finchley and Golders Green 2 Question No: 2013/5174

Andrew Dismore

Do you believe that Barnet Police are 'numb nuts' and have ever provided 'daft advice' to members of the public in Barnet, as alleged by the MP for Finchley and Golders Green (as reported in the Guardian, 28 November 2013)?

Energy costs

Question No: 2013/5175

Andrew Dismore

In view of your public health duties, and the risk to the health of Londoners from poor and inadequate heating, by how much has the average fuel bill for Londoners gone up over the last three years in cash and in percentage terms?

Route 24 new buses Question No: 2013/5176

Andrew Dismore

A 70 years old constituent has complained to me that the grab rails on your new buses on Route 24, which have a shiny bronze metallic finish, are too slippery to hold firmly. The yellow or pale blue plastic rails on other buses are easy to hold so that you hand does not move at all, either along the rail, or – just as important for coming up or down stairs when the bus is moving – round the rail. Nor is there the very helpful higher level rail on the stairs that is there on the other buses.

She tells me she has to avoid the stairs of a 24 unless she is sure the bus is going to be stationary for a minute. Stairs on other buses she can manage fine. She enjoys riding upstairs on buses. What are you going to do about it?

Tasers 1

Question No: 2013/5177

Andrew Dismore

How many officers in Barnet have been trained in the use of, and issued with tasers?

Tasers 2

Question No: 2013/5178

Andrew Dismore

Are tasers routinely carried by Barnet officers or only available in response to specific situations?

Tasers 3

Question No: 2013/5179

Andrew Dismore

How many times since their introduction in Barnet have tasers been used?

Tasers 4

Question No: 2013/5180

Andrew Dismore

Were any ill effects such as burns or other symptoms or damage to clothing suffered by those against whom tasers were deployed by Barnet officers?

Tasers 5

Question No: 2013/5181

Andrew Dismore

How many officers in Camden have been trained in the use of, and issued with tasers?

Tasers 6

Question No: 2013/5182

Andrew Dismore

Are tasers routinely carried by Camden officers or only available in response to specific situations?

Tasers 7

Question No: 2013/5183

Andrew Dismore

How many times since their introduction in Camden have tasers been used?

Tasers 8

Question No: 2013/5184

Andrew Dismore

Were any ill effects such as burns or other symptoms or damage to clothing suffered by those against whom tasers were deployed by Camden officers?

Tasers 9

Question No: 2013/5185

Andrew Dismore

Are tasers considered to be a suitable alternative to the use of firearms?

Tasers 10

Question No: 2013/5186

Andrew Dismore

Are tasers only deployed against unarmed suspects or suspects believed to be in possession of an offensive weapon other than a firearm?

Knightsbridge fire station

Ouestion No: 2013/5205

Andrew Dismore

In November there were roadworks outside Knightsbridge fire station (earmarked for closure), resulting in delayed attendance times. LFB considered these potential delays to be serious enough to merit sending out a notice confirming that, as a safety measure, an additional pumping appliance from another station would be ordered on to all 'life risk' calls on Knightsbridge's ground. How do you square this with your plan to close the fire station entirely?

Protecting the Green Belt

Question No: 2013/5206

Andrew Dismore

Do you agree with the Prime Minister's comments of 18th November, and reported in the Daily Mail on 19th November under the headline " Cameron swore he'd treasure the Green Belt. What a hollow promise" about the Prime Minister's view that there needs to be housing development in the green belt?

Pavilion Way Fields Question No: 2013/5207

Andrew Dismore

In light of your allegedpolicy to protect playing fields, will you make representations to Barnet Council to desist from the sale of Pavilion Way Fields, formerly the London Transport football field and transferred to Barnet under a covenant to protect the land from development and to keep it for sports use?

Bury Farm 1

Question No: 2013/5208

Andrew Dismore

Further to your oral answer at MQT and your written answer to Question No: 2013/4144, As Sir Edward has now considered the application will you now refuse the proposal to turn this valuable green belt land into a golf course if Barnet Council give it planning permission?

Bury farm 2

Question No: 2013/5209

Andrew Dismore

When the deputy mayor completed the stage 1 determination concerning the golf course application for Bury farm was he aware that road safety study on the A41 was carried out over a the long Bank Holiday weekend in honour of the wedding Duke and Duchess of Cambridge when traffic was abnormally light?

Shop conversions Ouestion No: 2013/5210

Andrew Dismore

Will you now answer substantively Question No: 3059 / 2013, repeated as Question No: 2013/3703 and Question No: 2013/4145:

"Do you agree with the Government planning minister that shops should be able to be converted to housing without planning permission?"

GLA owned playing fields Question No: 2013/5211

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answer Question No: 2013/3704:

"You have pointed out the increased infrastructure and leisure facilities needed for our expanding London population, which you have estimated to be 10 million by about 2030. For that reason, is it your policy to protect all existing publicly-owned playing fields and running tracks under your control in the GLA portfolio? Are you allowing any to be sold for housing?" Your response being "My London Plan strongly supports development proposals that increase or enhance the provision of sports and recreation facilities and resists proposals that result in a net loss of these facilities, including playing fields (Policy 3.19 on sports facilities). Policy 7.17 on Metropolitan Open Land (many playing fields are often designated as MoL) also gives strong protection to preventing loss of MoL as does Policy 7.18 on Protecting Local Open Space.

The only sport facility owned by the GLA is the National Sports Centre at Crystal Palace. The future of the NSC is under review as part of a comprehensive review of the park in conjunction with LB Bromley and others. More can be found here:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-london-24375547",

And further to your answer to Question No: 2013/4147:

"Why are you then selling off the playing fields attached to the Peel Centre for housing development?"

When will you give a substantive response?

underground hotel Question No: 2013/5212

Andrew Dismore

Do you think it is right for the YMCA building car park in Great Russell Street to be converted into an underground hotel with the intensification of a single use on an already over-developed site. Of most concern is that locating all the proposed new hotel's air-conditioning and ventilating plant, its refuse storage and collection, and service deliveries directly opposite residential buildings leads to the conclusion feel that the hotel will have an adverse impact on residential amenity. Will you oppose this scheme?

BT's Openreach 1

Question No: 2013/5213

Andrew Dismore

A constituent has complained to me that he recently received correspondence from BT's Openreach division explaining that although Barnet's exchange is Fibre enabled, the exchange cabinet on his road LN/BAR34 will not be upgraded: "your cabinet fails to meet the commercial criteria. This is because the cabinet has too few premises connected to it, rendering it too small to provide a return on the investment". To continue running his business successfully from home, he needs to be able to move large digital files quickly and efficiently and he is not alone in this. What will you do to persuade BT to take a more open approach to the expansion of Broadband to outer London streets such as this?

BT's Openreach 2

Question No: 2013/5214

Andrew Dismore

A constituent who lives in Littleberry Court, St Vincent's Lane, Mill Hill, has complained to me about BT's failure to install fibre optic cable for both commercial and residential purposes. They need the fast internet connection, which BT advertises constantly. He has been in contact over the last few months with both BT but BT hardly even takes the trouble to answer letters. BT will not commit themselves to a date. They first talked vaguely about installation two years ago and have done nothing. What will you do persuade BT to take a more open approach to the expansion of Broadband to outer London streets such as this?

Chinatown raids

Question No: 2013/5215

Andrew Dismore

Further to your letter of 6th November in reply to mine of 24th October after our discussion at last MQT over the Home Office Immigration Enforcement raids in Chinatown, did Deputy Mayor Malthouse raise the issue at the meeting of the London Strategic Migration Partnership on 14 November as you promised, and if so what was the outcome?

Chinese Community and Policing Ouestion No: 2013/5216

Andrew Dismore

In September, the All Party Parliamentary Group on the Chinese in Britain produced a report on the Chinese Community and Policing. Since then I have been trying to arrange a meeting for the community with senior officers at the Metropolitan Police to discuss the report's findings and recommendations, but with no success. Will you emphasize to the Commissioner the importance of engaging with this sizeable community in London, and will you facilitate such a meeting to take place?

Homophobic hate crime 1 Ouestion No: 2013/5217

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answer to Question No: 2013/4149:

"How do you reconcile your claim that London is one of the most gay-friendly places on earth with new research, commissioned by Stonewall, showing one in 12 Londoners think homophobic hate crimes are a problem in their neighbourhood, and three quarters of homophobic hate crime victims don't feel able to report them to the Metropolitan police?" Your answer being: "I am keen that all crimes should be reported. The MPS systematically records homophobic crimes and incidents annually. However, there is more to be done in this regard and that is why I have committed to the development of a hate crime reduction strategy for London, in which increased confidence in reporting hate crime, along with a reduction in the number of incidents, will be key objectives. I will be inviting Stonewall and others to participate in the development of that strategy. Both MOPAC and the MPS continue to support the Home Office approved 3rd party reporting site, True Vision, and the MPS is conducting a scoping exercise to identify more local support services to increase referrals and the exchange of information. "

When will you invite Stonewall to participate; when will your new hate crime reduction strategy be completed; and when will it be published; when will the MOPAC scoping exercise be completed; and when will it be published; and over the last 12 months how many people have used the True Vision reporting site for Homophobic hate crime in London 2

Homophobic hate crime 2 Question No: 2013/5218

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answer to Question No: 2013/4150:

"What meetings have you had with the Metropolitan Police Commissioner to discuss the issue of homophobic hate crime in the last six months and when do you next intend to meet with the Commissioner to discuss the issue?" Your answer being: "I meet the Commissioner on a regular basis, where crime statistics and MPS performance are discussed in the round. Performance, including hate crime, is also a standing agenda item at the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime's formal monthly bi-lateral meetings with the Commissioner".

When did you last have a detailed discussion with the Commissioner specifically on the subject of homophobic hate crime?

Same-sex domestic abuse **Question No: 2013/5219**

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answer to Question No: 2013/4155

"Research has shown that domestic abuse within same-sex relationships goes unreported by four out of five of those who experience it and that half of those that report it to the police were not happy with how they responded. What do you intend to do with the Metropolitan Police to improve reporting and their response to same-sex domestic abuse?" Your answer being: "MOPAC is committed to increasing confidence to report domestic violence in any relationship or setting and developing more and better ways to do so. Confidence to report is reinforced by a consistent and professional response to victims and the MPS is implementing a continuous improvement plan for domestic violence, which focuses on improving the response to victims. Part of this response involves referring victims in same sex relationships to the LGBT Domestic Abuse Project. In addition, probationary police officers are taken through real life scenarios, which challenge thinking around same-sex domestic abuse and hate crime. MOPAC will oversee the MPS response to domestic abuse through MOPAC Challenge and the VAWG Panel and will monitor satisfaction through a new confidential survey under development that all victims of domestic abuse will be invited to complete."

When will development of the new survey be completed? When will it be used? Will the anonymised results be published?

Police station closures 1 Question No: 2013/5220

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answer to Question No: 2013/4157:

"A constituent recently needed to report a lost mobile phone. Until recently, she could have walked 5 minutes to Fortis Green Police front desk and the process would have taken 5 minutes. Now, just for this minor thing, she had to ring 3 times to Hornsey front desk, over 2 days. A very polite, apologetic policeman said there was only him at the desk. He was always busy with other members of the public, and twice said he would ring back, but was kept too busy to do so. The 3rd time I rang, he had to interrupt another case to log my lost property (Police Ref no. 99/3854924). Is this not yet another example of the consequences of your short sighted police cuts?"

When will you give a substantive response?

Police station closures 2 Question No: 2013/5221

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answer to Question No: 2013/4158

- "A constituent recently met a Hong Kong Chinese tourist who had just arrived from the airport on her first day ever in Britain on 5 October, when she was conned out of a lot of money on the street, by an elaborate con involving someone posing as a plain-clothes policeman, complete with fake id card. She was upset by this, but even more so by the response she got when she immediately reported the crime to Paddington police station:
- a) They told her that because they were so busy she would have to wait an hour. This upset her rather than gave her the support she needed after being robbed, and meant the conmen would be long gone from the area
- b) They didn't take any detail of what had happened, so she felt they weren't taking such crime directed at tourists seriously.
- c)Police processes didn't seem geared to tourists eg they didn't give her a detailed report for her insurance company abroad, they didn't appreciate that she wouldn't have a London phone number except a hotel number, or be in any one place for more than a day, or be in the country for more than a week or so.

How would you explain this poor response to future Chinese tourists who you consider to be important are to the London economy? And is this not yet another example of the consequences of your short sighted police cuts? Will you undertake to take this issue up with the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police and subsequently write to me addressing each of these points?"

Your answer being:

"I have passed the details outlined above to the Commissioner's office who will be writing to you separately." When can I expect to hear from the Commissioner's office?

Hampstead police station 1 Question No: 2013/5222

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answer Question No: 2013/4165 and to Question No: 2013/3681:

"When will you answer substantively Question No: 3066 / 2013 and 2504 / 2013, As the Royal Free Hospital has been discounted as a possible police "contact point" as officers staffing the contact point might be called away to A and E incidents, what are you now doing to provide a contact point for this area?"

Is the delay because the best you have come up with is a stall in Starbucks?

And are you aware the reports in the local press of the disquiet of local police officers about using Starbucks because of local hostility to that company due to their tax avoidance practices, which the officers believe will put people off from going there?". Your response being: "We are committed to improving public access in Hampstead and are actively looking for a new location for a contact point. Four potential sites have been identified, Starbucks; Hampstead Town Hall; the Royal Free Hospital and Premier Inn.

One site is being trialled each week finishing on 27 October 2013, with local media engaged to better publicise the trials and seek public views. The local community, the Neighbourhood Ward Panel meeting, officers and the venues themselves will all be consulted in deciding which one, if any, is suitable." And "What was the outcome of the trials, what was the outcome of the consultations, and what is being done now to finalise this long overdue contact point?"

Will you now answer this question substantively?

Hampstead police station 2 Question No: 2013/5223

Andrew Dismore

Further to Question No: 2013/3683

"Will you will undertake not to dispose of Hampstead Police Station until an alternative and suitable base reserved for police officers has been identified in the locality?"

and your answer: "In accordance with what was set out in the public access documents for Camden in March 2013, the station has now closed and the disposal is currently being finalised. There continue to be a number of bases throughout Camden at which Police Officers are based. In line with my public access promise and commitment to put bobbies before buildings, Police Officers now spend the majority of their time out in their local community and not stuck behind a desk. Local contact points are being identified as per my response to MQ 3682 / 2013." and Question No: 2013/4166 "Has an alternative and suitable base reserved for police officers now been identified in the locality and if so where is it?"

Will you now answer this question substantively?

Hampstead Contact Point Question No: 2013/5224

Andrew Dismore

Why has the Metropolitan Police barred officers from spending £30 per week out of the borough's policing budget to cover the cost of renting a room from arts charity Wac Arts three times a week, for an hour at a time, for a new "contact point" in the old town hall to keep a police presence in Hampstead to replace Hampstead police station, bearing in mind Hampstead's officers have already spent months scouting for a suitable location for the contact point?

Camden Police Numbers

Question No: 2013/5225

Andrew Dismore

As of 31st October 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 October 2012; and what do you expect the figures to be on 1st May 2015?

Barnet Police Numbers Ouestion No: 2013/5226

Andrew Dismore

As of 31st October 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 October 2012; and what do you expect the figures to be on 1st May 2015?

Contact Points 1 Question No: 2013/5227

Andrew Dismore

Further to Question No: 2013/4169:

"Please list the number of people who have used each of police contact points in Camden for each month since they began."

Will you now answer this question substantively?

Contact Points 2

Question No: 2013/5228

Andrew Dismore

Further to Question No: 2013/4170:

"Please list the number of people who have used each of police contact points in Barnet for each month since they began."

Will you now answer this question substantively?

Police station queues Question No: 2013/5229

Andrew Dismore

Further to Question No: 2013/4175

Will you now answer substantively Question No: 2013/3680:

"What are you doing about the long queues at the front offices in Barnet and Colindale police stations, a consequence of your closures of police stations. Are you aware that people are regularly walking out in despair? What are you doing about it?"

Will you now answer this question substantively?

Hampstead police

Question No: 2013/5230

Andrew Dismore

Why are Hampstead Heath police finding it difficult to contact the SNT? Why haven't they been told who they should speak to as you have not offered an alternative front counter option in the Hampstead area?

Officers in uniform smoking

Question No: 2013/5231

Andrew Dismore

What is your policy towards police officers in uniform smoking on duty in public in the street?

Raves

Question No: 2013/5232

Andrew Dismore

We have suffered from several raves recently, including some affecting West Hendon and also near Stirling Corner. The police seem unwilling and incapable of dealing with these disturbances due to a shortage of officers. Why? Is this not another consequence of your cuts?

Road markings on the A1 slip road off the A41 Question No: 2013/5233

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answer to Question No: 96 / 2013

"The road markings on the A1 slip road off the A41 used to include four arrows which have been reduced to three. This is dangerous as it is now very difficult to cross this road even at the Traffic lights. There are 2000 school kids who attend Brookland Rise Infant and Junior and Christ College -all on the North side of the A1. There have been accidents with cars exiting Eastholm and Westholm (both cul de sacs) on to the A1. When will you put things back to how they were?"

Your answer being:

"The current layout on the A1 slip road off the A41 contains three arrows which is in accordance with national guidance on road markings.

Whilst TfL can vary the number and position of markings, they generally seek to apply standard road marking layouts which are well known and understood by users. TfL is not aware that the current marking arrangement is causing any safety issues, but a road safety auditor will visit the site in the coming weeks and assess whether there would be benefit in modifying the spacing of current markings and providing an additional arrow."

Has the road safety auditor visited yet, and if not when will he/she do so; and if the visit has taken place what was the result?

Kings Cross Underground station Ouestion No: 2013/5234

Andrew Dismore

Further to Question No: 2013/4177

"It is over 18 months since the new dot-matrix displays were fitted to Northern Line platforms at Kings Cross Underground station, and still they do not work. The old signs are so faded that they hardly work either. On what specific date will the new displays be operational?" your response being: "TfL assures me that following additional modifications, TfL expects the new dot-matrix indicators will become operational in early 2014."

What is the reason for such a lengthy delay?

Stirling Corner 1 Question No: 2013/5235

Andrew Dismore

Further to Question No: 2013/4181

"What is the outcome of the 24/7 traffic light operation experiment at Stirling Corner?" your response being: "The trial at Stirling Corner has been undertaken to assess possible safety and performance benefits of using full-time instead of part-time signals.

Initial results have shown that the full-time signalisation has addressed the original request from Barnet councillors and local residents to improve the east/west access to the roundabout. However, further analysis is needed to fully measure the benefits at this location.

The initial six-month trial was extended to take account of seasonal variation and to facilitate the collection of more data. TfL teams are meeting on a regular basis to review the trial and any future long term design options for Stirling Corner."

For how long has the trial been extended? When will the further analysis be completed and when will the results be published?

Stirling Corner 2 Question No: 2013/5236

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 your answers to questions 261/2013, 522/2013, 1041/2013, 1464/2013 and Question No: 2039/2013 and Question No: 2497 / 2013 referring back to your non- answers to my invitation to you to attempt to go round Stirling Corner on your bike, and your repeated answer:

"I have nothing to add to MQ 4161/2012.", and your answer to Question No: 3083 / 2013, "I cycle the whole of London and when I next pass through Stirling Corner I will be sure to give you a report"; and your answer to Question No: 2013/3698:

"Since my last response to you on this matter "I cycle the whole of London and when I next pass through Stirling Corner I will be sure to give you a report", I have not cycled through Stirling Corner. However, when I next pass through Stirling Corner, I will be sure to give you a report."

Have you ever cycled round Stirling Corner? Have you cycled round Stirling Corner since you promised to do so; 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 cyclists' concerns at heart and have no intention of honouring your commitment to do so, so that your original answer can be seen as nothing more than a fobbing off exercise? Or are you frightened of doing so, as it is too dangerous? Why do you have nothing to add? Aren't you embarrassed by your non responses when reminded of your promise? And to Question No: 2013/4184 "I have nothing further to add to my previous answers to this question. It costs around £70 to respond to each Mayor's Question and this question has now been asked 10 times."

Why have you nothing to add? Are you not ashamed of your continual failure to honour this commitment? Why are you trying to avoid legitimate scrutiny of your work by suggesting that questions such as this that you find difficult and embarrassing should not be repeatedly asked until you provide a proper reply?

Race claims against the police Ouestion No: 2013/5237

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answer to Question No: 532 / 2013:

"The information below relates to Employment Tribunal claims, giving total compensation paid in relation to employment tribunal claims which include allegations of race discrimination.

Compensatory awards determined by the Tribunal after liability and remedies hearings. Settlements agreed between parties after hearing

Compensation agreed between parties after liability only hearing (not determined by the Tribunal). Out of court settlements

Compensation paid in settlement of claims compromised before a tribunal hearing and without admission of liability.

2009 / 10	£7,777	£0	£61,100
2010 / 11	£2,000	£7,500	£80,500
2011 / 12	<i>£</i> 0	£0	£32,478
2012/13	£0	£0	£5,000

The financial compensation detailed above was paid to 23 Claimants in respect of 32 claims. The breakdown by workforce category is as follows:

15 Police Officers received financial compensation in relation to 23 claims

- 4 members of Police Staff received financial compensation in relation to 5 claims.
- 2 Police Community Support Officers received financial compensation in relation to 2 claims,
- 1 member of the Metropolitan Special Constabulary received financial compensation in relation to 1 claim
- 1 member of the public received financial compensation in relation to 1 claim.

In addition, 2 further claims (1 lodged by a Police Officer and 1 by a member of police staff) were settled on a non-financial basis. The following information relates to Race Actions brought by members of the public:

	Settlements	Awards N	umber of s	settled claims
2009/10	£76,50	0 0	8	
2010/11	£47,24	0 0	5	
2011/12	£200,2	50	0	11
2012/13	£145,5	00	0	9

As I have said before, any incident of racism is one too many. My DMPC and the Commissioner know how seriously I take this and are implementing measures to continue to improve the MPS, including through recruiting more officers from ethnic minorities as part

of my commitment to have a force that looks more like London."

Why did it take from February to November to give me a reply? Have you read my letter in response to this answer? Has any disciplinary action been taken in respect of any of these cases, and if so, how many; and if so was anyone dismissed; and if so was anyone demoted? Did any of the settlements include a"no publicity" clause to prevent the victims speaking out about their experiences?

Metropolitan Police Paladin Team (2) Ouestion No: 2013/5238

Caroline Pidgeon

How many times has the MPS's Paladin Team carried out operations, or been called to assist in operations, at each of the following London terminals, for each of the last three financial years:

Victoria Coach Station

St Pancras International Station (or other Eurostar stations)

London City Airport

Metropolitan Police Paladin Team (3)

Question No: 2013/5239

Caroline Pidgeon

What consideration have you given to extending the work of the MPS Paladin team to cover St Pancras International Station given the concerns which have been raised regarding the number of lone children who travel to the UK via Eurostar?

ANPR (2)

Question No: 2013/5240

Jenny Jones

What was the average number of deployments for each of the ANPR teams for 2012/13 and how many arrests did these operations generate?

ANPR (3)

Question No: 2013/5241

Jenny Jones

Were any ANPR teams deployed in the recent cyclist safety operation? Can you explain the reason for this?

Credit Unions (2) Question No: 2013/5242

Fiona Twycross

London's high streets have seen an increasing number of loan companies and pawn shops. There are a number of initiatives you have told me you support through the GLA's London Debt Strategy Group, partnership work with Capitalise and your own Know Your Rights Campaign. How has success on tackling the prevalence of shops offering these forms of lending been measured, and how can these bodies promote credit unions?

Capitalise Debt Advice Service

Question No: 2013/5243

Fiona Twycross

The London Debt Strategy Group page on the London.gov.uk website says that the Capitalise Debt Advice Service has Government funding until 31 March 2013. Will this service continue to be funded after this date?

Stirling Corner 3

Question No: 2013/5244

Andrew Dismore

When you visited north London on 28th November, your route from Enfield to Hendon would have taken you near to Stirling Corner. Did you take the opportunity to cycle round Stirling Corner to honour your pledge to do so which is now almost 18 months old? If not, why not?

Public transport, Enfield to Hendon Ouestion No: 2013/5245

Andrew Dismore

When you visited north London on 28th November, what form of public transport did you use to go from Enfield to Hendon?

Stamford Hill to Golders Green bus service Question No: 2013/5246

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answer to question No: 77 / 2013 "What has happened to your promise about a bus route from Stamford Hill to Golders Green?", and Further to Question No: 2013/4185

"when will the "consideration between TfL and the relevant boroughs" be concluded; what meetings between TfL and the relevant boroughs have taken place and on what dates; and will you publish your and TfL's correspondence on the issue?"

and your answer "This review is continuing and TfL will let you know the outcome as soon as it is complete." Will you now answer the question as to what meetings have taken place and on what dates, will you publish the correspondence as requested, and when will the review be completed?

Child Abuse Investigation Command (1) Ouestion No: 2013/5247

Caroline Pidgeon

Further to MQ 0051/2013 please provide a breakdown of the number of cases which have been taken up by the Metropolitan Police Service's SCD5 Child Abuse Investigation Command in 2012/13 and 2013/14 to date, broken down by Team or Unit. In addition what

Child Abuse Investigation Command (2) Question No: 2013/5248

were their Sanction Detection numbers and Sanction Detection Rates?

Caroline Pidgeon

Please provide a breakdown of the age profile and the gender of victims of cases which have been taken up by the Metropolitan Police Service's SCD5 Child Abuse Investigation Command in 2011/12, 2012/13 and 2013/14 to date.

Child Abuse Investigation Command (3) Question No: 2013/5249

Caroline Pidgeon

What were the Police Officer and Staff numbers for the Metropolitan Police Service's SCD5 Child Abuse Investigation Command in both the Budgetary Workforce Target (BWT) and the Actual Workforce Target (AWT) since 2008? Please also provide the gender and ethnicity breakdown of officers and staff and how many are on flexible working arrangements.

Helicopter safety checks Question No: 2013/5250

Caroline Pidgeon

Whilst I am aware that the Metropolitan Police Air Support Unit operates a different model of Eurocopter from that which tragically crashed in Glasgow, further to that crash has the Met Police changed or increased the safety checks carried out on its three helicopters?

MOPAC Advisors

Question No: 2013/5251

Caroline Pidgeon

What remuneration and expenses did each of the four MOPAC advisors receive in 2013/14? How much is budgeted for their remuneration in 2014/15? Will you place appropriate details of their pay, expenses and declarations of interest on the MOPAC website?

Evaluation of the Local Policing Model (1)

Question No: 2013/5252

Caroline Pidgeon

What evaluation of the introduction of the Local Policing Model has been carried out? What were the findings of the evaluation of the first tranche of boroughs which went live with the model on 24 June?

Evaluation of the Local Policing Model (2)

Question No: 2013/5253

Caroline Pidgeon

In how many wards in London has crime gone up since the implementation of the Local Policing Model?

Local Policing Model - SNT investigations (1)

Question No: 2013/5254

Caroline Pidgeon

One element of the new Local Policing Model is that Safer Neighbourhood Teams are now responsible for the investigation of all neighbourhood crime that occurs on their ward. How many crimes was it envisaged that SNTs would investigate? In practice how many crimes have SNTs investigated from the implementation of the LPM to date?

Local Policing Model - SNT investigations (2)

Question No: 2013/5255

Caroline Pidgeon

One element of the new Local Policing Model is that Safer Neighbourhood Teams are now responsible for the investigation of all neighbourhood crime that occurs on their ward. What proportion of SNTs' time is being spent investigating neighbourhood crime?

Local Policing Model - Local Police Areas

Question No: 2013/5256

Caroline Pidgeon

Please provide a map of the Local Police Areas now operating under the Local Policing Model.

Safer Neighbourhood Teams - abstractions

Question No: 2013/5257

Caroline Pidgeon

What has the abstraction rate been for Safer Neighbourhood Teams since the implementation of the Local Policing Model?

Safer Neighbourhood Teams - officer hours per ward Ouestion No: 2013/5258

Caroline Pidgeon

Please provide details of Safer Neighbourhood Team officer hours per ward since the implementation of the Local Policing Model.

Evaluation of contact points

Question No: 2013/5259

Caroline Pidgeon

I have been made aware of concerns regarding the suitability of Dulwich Library as a Contact Point with regards to its location, visibility, local awareness of it; and that ideally a Touchdown Point for police use, a Contact Point with a private meeting room, and Victim Support would be able to operate out of the same location. Are you willing to investigate an alternative Contact Point in Dulwich?

Police Constable recruitment

Question No: 2013/5260

Caroline Pidgeon

In the police constable recruitment taking place this year did the Metropolitan Police have an aim for the percentage of BME and female officers they would ideally recruit? How many of the new recruits in 2013/14 are BME officers and/or female officers?

Metropolitan Police Service - Cars and drivers Question No: 2013/5261

Caroline Pidgeon

How much has been spent in 2013/14 to date on chauffeur driven cars for police officers of ACPO rank, broken down by:

- a) drivers
- b) cars (capital expenditure)
- c) maintenance
- d) fuel
- e) insurance costs

Police LGBT Liaison Officers

Question No: 2013/5262

Caroline Pidgeon

Please provide details of how many full and part time Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) liaison officers there are in the Metropolitan Police for each London borough, and how many of these are dedicated officers.

Satisfaction with Cycle Hire (1)

Question No: 2013/5264

Caroline Pidgeon

How many surveys have members of the Cycle Hire scheme been invited to complete?

Satisfaction with Cycle Hire (2)

Question No: 2013/5265

Caroline Pidgeon

In answer to questions put, how many responses to Cycle Hire member surveys have rated aspects of the scheme as being below satisfactory?

Satisfaction with Cycle Hire (3)

Question No: 2013/5266

Caroline Pidgeon

Reports of falling satisfaction with the Cycle Hire scheme indicate that the doubling of prices was only one driver. What other areas of the scheme have seen falling satisfaction?

Satisfaction with Cycle Hire (4)

Question No: 2013/5267

Caroline Pidgeon

What action will be taken to address the problems highlighted by falling satisfaction reported by members of the Cycle Hire scheme in response to surveys?

Satisfaction with Cycle Hire (5)

Question No: 2013/5268

Caroline Pidgeon

Will you publish the results of Cycle Hire satisfaction surveys in a timely manner after each is completed?

HGV Restrictions to improve cycle safety (1)

Question No: 2013/5269

Caroline Pidgeon

What options for HGV restrictions that might improve cycle safety in London have been examined by Transport for London?

HGV Restrictions to improve cycle safety (2)

Question No: 2013/5270

Caroline Pidgeon

What analysis, studies and reports from other cities with HGV restrictions for the purpose of road safety have been examined by Transport for London?

HGV Restrictions to improve cycle safety (3)

Question No: 2013/5271

Caroline Pidgeon

What pilot schemes do you think would make the most sense to test to see whether restricting HGVs on London's roads could help improve cycle safety?

Bus Fares rising faster than inflation (1)

Question No: 2013/5272

Caroline Pidgeon

Why have you increased bus fares by more than inflation having press-released a "fares freeze"?

Bus Fares rising faster than inflation (2)

Question No: 2013/5273

Caroline Pidgeon

Will you consider moving away from 5p price-points for electronic Oyster Pay-As-You-Go bus fares?

Reduced frequencies on R5 and R10 bus routes

Question No: 2013/5274

Caroline Pidgeon

Consultation responses to the proposal to cut frequencies on R5 and R10 bus routes attracted 87 objections and just 5 supportive responses. Transport for London says that they will carry out this cut to services nonetheless. Will you review this decision and listen to the views of local people?

TfL Cuts to bus services in London

Question No: 2013/5275

Caroline Pidgeon

Will you explicitly reject the proposals put to the November Finance & Policy Committee of Transport for London for reducing expenditure on bus services such as cutting off-peak services on 200 different routes and withdrawing 15 different night-bus routes?

Update on Fully Electric Buses (1)

Question No: 2013/5276

Caroline Pidgeon

Can you provide an update on the progress with testing fully electric buses in London?

Update on Fully Electric Buses (2)

Question No: 2013/5277

Caroline Pidgeon

What discussions have taken place about orders and options for purchasing further fully-electric buses for London?

Accessibility Map for both Tube and Rail Network

Question No: 2013/5278

Caroline Pidgeon

When will a map be produced by Transport for London showing both Tube and Rail services in London which identifies accessibility at each station, highlighting step-free and level-platform locations?

Fraud by Oyster Ticket Agents (1)

Question No: 2013/5279

Caroline Pidgeon

A report in the South London Press from November highlighted the prosecution of newsagents for skimming credits applied to Oyster cards when topped up by passengers. For each year since Oyster was introduced, please detail the number of ticket agents prosecuted for fraud over TfL transactions.

Fraud by Oyster Ticket Agents (2)

Question No: 2013/5280

Caroline Pidgeon

Press reports from November highlighted the prosecution of newsagents for skimming credits applied to Oyster cards when being topped up by passengers. What steps are being taken to prevent this type of fraud taking place?

Extending Pedestrian Crossing "Green Man" Times (1) Ouestion No: 2013/5281

Caroline Pidgeon

Living Streets have highlighted research from University College London showing that three out of four older people find the minimum time given to cross the road at light-controlled pedestrian crossings is insufficient. Do you accept the arguments put forward by Living Streets for a new and longer minimum standard for pedestrian crossing times to allow people just a few seconds longer to cross the road in safety and if so will you set an increased minimum standard for pedestrian crossings in London?

Extending Pedestrian Crossing "Green Man" Times (2)

Question No: 2013/5282

Caroline Pidgeon

Will you agree to pilot extended green man crossing times at a range of light-controlled junctions in London so that the improved safety this would afford can be assessed?

Carriageway on Streatham Hill Question No: 2013/5283

Caroline Pidgeon

Upgrade work to the A23 on Streatham Hill and Streatham High Road planned over the next two years will be long overdue improvement to the local environment along this busy road. However, in the meantime will you ask TfL to resurface the badly rutted and potholed inside-lane of the south-bound carriageway of the A23 at Streatham Hill just south of the South Circular as a matter of urgency?

Additional Capacity needed on London Overground Question No: 2013/5284

Caroline Pidgeon

While an additional carriage on Overground trains will help ease overcrowding, passengers tell me that this extra capacity will be used up very quickly. How will you add additional capacity beyond this increase to cope with the success of London Overground?

Oyster Card Top-ups and season tickets withdrawn at Wimbledon Question No: 2013/5285

Caroline Pidgeon

Passengers in south west London have received emails saying in part, "Important Customer Information - Oyster card sales. From 01 January 2014, there will no longer be the option to top up an Oyster card or to purchase an Oyster season Travelcard from Wimbledon Station ticket office." How have you allowed this unacceptable situation to arise? What action will you take to restore Oyster top-ups and season tickets at this ticket office and the ability to buy longer Oyster Travelcards at this station?

New Escalators at Highbury & Islington repeatedly out of service Question No: 2013/5286

Caroline Pidgeon

On how many occasions and for what reasons have the new escalators at Highbury & Islington station been out of service since they were refurbished earlier this year?

Mobility Aid Recognition Scheme - priority space on buses Question No: 2013/5287

Caroline Pidgeon

A constituent has asked whether the signs currently displayed on buses which indicate who has priority in the wheelchair space could also make reference to the Mobility Aid Recognition Scheme? Please clarify what guidance is provided to bus drivers to help them deal with the situation where a Mobility Aid card-holder wants to board the bus and the priority space is occupied by a buggy or pram?

Blue badge parking Question No: 2013/5288

Caroline Pidgeon

Further to the conclusion of TfL's 'Accessible Apps' competition - which sought to make TfL's real-time data more accessible to the public - will you support efforts to make disabled blue badge parking locations more widely known?

Tower Bridge Road Alliance Ouestion No: 2013/5289

Caroline Pidgeon

The Tower Bridge Road Alliance (TBRA) was established in 2012 to help improve their local business environment. However, I understand a recent request to install tree lights on some of the more prominent trees within the area has been refused by TfL. Please will you clarify TfL's policy on the installation of year-round tree lights and outline what steps TfL takes to build effective relationships with new and existing business communities?

St George's Circus - road layout

Question No: 2013/5290

Caroline Pidgeon

Further to your announcement of a new fully segregated, two-directional cycle track along Blackfriars Road, will you take this opportunity to review the long-term layout of roads around St George's Circus (including St. George's Road and London Road) to reflect the changing demand and mode shares on these roads?

Delayed publication of survey data

Question No: 2013/5291

Caroline Pidgeon

There is concern that Transport for London and the Greater London Authority spend considerable sums of money commissioning a wide range of surveys but fail to publish the results in a timely manner. Will you set a policy to publish all survey data within a week of completion?

Insufficient Cycle Parking at City Hall Question No: 2013/5292

Caroline Pidgeon

Do you accept that there is insufficient bike parking for visitors cycling to City Hall? What discussions have been held with site managers at "More London" about expanding and upgrading the parking to demonstrate best practice and encourage more City Hall visitors to travel by bicycle?

Full and Empty Bike Hire Docking Stations Ouestion No: 2013/5293

Caroline Pidgeon

You have not yet answered my question MQ 2013/4001 on the times that the City Hall bike hire docking station has been full or empty. When will you start publishing clear data showing the times when each docking station is full or empty?

Staff Nominee Travel Question No: 2013/5294

Caroline Pidgeon

How many TfL staff nominee travel cards are currently in use?

TfL - Cost of Consultants Question No: 2013/5295

Caroline Pidgeon

Please provide a breakdown of the total spend by TfL on consultants and agency staff for the previous financial year (2012/13) and in the current financial year to date? Please also list the number of staff who have been employed in each year.

TfL - Cost of Consultants

Question No: 2013/5296

Caroline Pidgeon

Please provide a breakdown of the total spend by TfL on consultants and agency staff for the previous financial year (2012/13) and in the current financial year to date? Please also list the number of staff who have been employed in each year.

Crossrail - Cost of Consultants

Question No: 2013/5297

Caroline Pidgeon

Please provide a breakdown of the total spend by Crossrail on consultants and agency staff for the previous financial year (2012/13) and in the current financial year to date? Please also list the number of staff who have been employed in each year.

TfL - advertising, marketing and public relations Question No: 2013/5298

Caroline Pidgeon

Please provide a breakdown of the total spend by TfL on advertising, marketing and public relations for the previous financial year (2012/13) and in the current financial year to date? Please also list the total number of press officers currently employed by TfL.

Bakerloo Line extension

Question No: 2013/5299

Caroline Pidgeon

Further to your answer to Plenary Question number 2013/0034 - in which you stated that initial findings from TfL's work to develop the case for an extension to the Bakerloo line would be available "within the coming months" - are you now in a position to provide an update?

Concessionary travel for children visiting London Ouestion No: 2013/5300

Caroline Pidgeon

Transport for London tell me that visitors aged 11-15 from outside London are able to benefit from free travel on London's public transport provided they have a valid Oyster 11-15 photocard. However visitors from outside the UK need to apply four weeks in advance and then collect the photocard from a Travel Information Centre. Transport for London also tell me that this process is being reviewed. What can you do to make sure this process is as straightforward as possible and helps encourage families to visit London and enjoy travelling around our city?

Re-routing bus 110 to serve Whitton High Street and Whitton Station Question No: 2013/5301

Caroline Pidgeon

Will you ask Transport for London to examine the re-routing of the 110 bus to serve Whitton High Street and Whitton Station as has been suggested by local people in the Whitton area?

Unpaid Congestion Charge by Embassies and Diplomatic Missions Ouestion No: 2013/5302

Caroline Pidgeon

What steps are you taking to secure full payment of outstanding congestion charges from embassies and diplomatic missions based in London?

Cycling on the proposed Garden Bridge Question No: 2013/5303

Caroline Pidgeon

What steps will you take to consider ways to allow cyclists to cross the Thames on the proposed Garden Bridge?

New Bus for London - roll Question No: 2013/5305

Stephen Knight

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Further to the conversion of route 390, can you confirm how many New Bus for London vehicles will be in operation by the end of 2013?

New Bus for London - Euro VI engine standard (1) Question No: 2013/5306

Stephen Knight

When do you expect the first Euro VI-compliant New Bus for London to be in service?

New Bus for London - Euro VI engine standard (2)

Question No: 2013/5307

Stephen Knight

How many Euro VI-compliant New Bus for London vehicles will be in service by the end of 2014?

SME payments

Question No: 2013/5308

Stephen Knight

What percentage of invoices to the GLA group from small and medium enterprise [SME] suppliers were paid within 10 working days, and what percentage where paid within 30 working days? Please also list the average number of days taken to pay SME invoices?

Mayor's academies programme

Question No: 2013/5309

Stephen Knight

Can you confirm the revised budget for your academies programme in 2014/15 and 2015/16?

Housing Moves (1) Question No: 2013/5310

Stephen Knight

How many social tenants have moved through your 'Housing Moves' pan-London mobility scheme since its launch in May 2012?

Housing Moves (2) Question No: 2013/5311

Stephen Knight

How many households are currently registered with the Housing Moves scheme, and how many properties have been advertised on the Housing Moves website to date?

Council borrowing caps

Question No: 2013/5312

Stephen Knight

Further to the announcement made by the Chancellor of the Exchequer that the government will increase local authority Housing Revenue Account borrowing limits by £300 million, how much of this additional funding do you expect to be spent in London?

Benefit Caps

Question No: 2013/5313

Stephen Knight

New figures released by the Department for Work and Pensions show that 47 per cent of households affected by the benefit cap (so far) live in London. Are you monitoring the impact of these benefit changes, and what is your assessment of the slow allocation by some London boroughs of government funding to mitigate the impact of welfare reforms?

Affordable housing grants

Question No: 2013/5314

Stephen Knight

Further to your answer to MQ2013/4038, can you confirm the average capital grant per unit for social rent dwellings completed under the previous affordable housing programme?

Help to Buy

Question No: 2013/5315

Stephen Knight

Your chief economic advisor is reported as having said that "Help to Buy was not necessary" and will create a "lethal combination" of cheap money and expectations among householders that ever-rising house prices are a "one way bet." He joins a growing list of critics which include the House of Commons Treasury Committee, the former governor of the Bank of England and the International Monetary Fund. In view of these shared concerns – and in light of your housing responsibilities – will you commit to monitor the impact of this policy on the price, affordability and demand for homes across London?

Mayoral Development Corporation in Old Oak Common (1) Ouestion No: 2013/5316

Stephen Knight

Further to the comments made by your Chief of Staff and Deputy Mayor for Policy and Planning to the Evening Standard newspaper on 26 November 2013, when can we expect proposals for a new Mayoral Development Corporation in Old Oak Common to be published?

Mayoral Development Corporation in Old Oak Common (2) Ouestion No: 2013/5317

Stephen Knight

What are the financial implications arising for the GLA from the creation of a new Mayoral Development Corporation in Old Oak Common?

Mayoral Development Corporation in Old Oak Common (3) Question No: 2013/5318

Stephen Knight

Can you confirm that the governance of any new Mayoral Development Corporation (MDC) would follow the model used by the London Legacy Development Corporation in having a level of representation from each of the host boroughs?

LLDC - homes on the Olympic Park Ouestion No: 2013/5319

Stephen Knight

Further to the comments made by the Deputy Chair of the London Legacy Development Corporation (LLDC) before the Regeneration Committee on 8 October 2013, can you confirm how many homes the LLDC is considering replacing with other uses in the Pudding Mill neighbourhood and sites to the north and south of the aquatic centre (Stratford waterfront) and in a further area south of the ArcelorMittal Orbit sculpture?

Lambeth housing evictions Question No: 2013/5320

Stephen Knight

The 'General Consents' issued by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government 'for the Disposal of Land held for the purposes of Part II of the Housing Act 1985 - 2013' permit a local authority to dispose of an unoccupied dwelling-house to a person who intends to use it as their only or principal home. However, I understand that sales of former housing co-operative homes in Lambeth - where the council has actively obtained possession - have not followed in a number of cases. Are you aware of this anomaly and, if so, what action will you take on this matter?

Poverty related crime Question No: 2013/5321

Joanne McCartney

I have read with concern reporting [Sudden surge in property crime alarms police chiefs, The Times, 2nd December 2013] that indicates an increase in 'poverty related crime', including first time offences of shop-lifting for basic food, in England and Wales. Does the MPS or MOPAC hold any information that indicates that shop-lifting for food is on the rise? If so please provide this information, if possible, covering the past 4 years.

Beds in sheds

Question No: 2013/5322

Andrew Dismore

Further to your answers to Question No: 2498 / 2013 and Questions No: 3086/2013 and 2013/3702 and to Question No: 2013/4146that you "will ask my Deputy Mayor for Housing, Land and Property to raise this issue at the next meeting of the Beds in Sheds Ministerial Taskforce, of which he is a member" and that the meeting was likely to be in November or December, has this meeting been scheduled yet, and if so when for"

and your written response "The Deputy Mayor for Housing recently met with the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government with responsibility for housing and raised this issue."

What was the outcome of the Deputy Mayor for Housing raising the issue?