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Dear Val

**TRANSPORT COMMITTEE REPORT – Clearing the hurdles:
Transport for the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games**

Thank you for your letter on the recommendations from the Transport Committee report "Clearing the hurdles: transport for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games".

As you know, the next edition of the Transport Plan for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games is due to be launched on Wednesday 1 June 2011. I am delighted to provide a copy for you, enclosed.

I can confirm we would be happy to provide you and the Committee with regular reports combined with information from our partners from September and every three months following, until the Games.

The next edition of the transport plan addresses the majority of the points raised in the final edition of the Assembly's report. However, there are some areas where the details you require either rest with partners, or will become available later this year.

I have provided you with an update below on where your recommendations are addressed and can be found within the plan and an update of where and when further information can be found on the remaining points.

The next edition of the Olympic Transport Plan contains an element of detail on spectator forecasts: in Chapter Two, providing overall



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information and Chapter Eight on venues. Work is ongoing on the forecasts and more detailed information will become available over the summer as ticket transactions take place. We would be happy to brief you on the current progress regarding demand forecasts in the early Autumn.

Information on the Travel Demand Management (TDM) principles is included in Chapter 16. Now we are moving to the operational phase, Transport for London has transferred responsibility for this programme. Detailed information on TDM is available at www.london2012.com/get-involved/business-network/travel-advice-for-business and www.london2012.com/getting-to-the-games. Further to this TfL will be able to provide you with any additional details you may require.

The updated details of the walking and cycling arrangements for the Games are provided in Chapter Seven. We are also working on other initiatives alongside LOCOG, TfL and others to encourage use of sustainable modes (e.g Active Spectator Programme).

Responsibility for the delivery and operation of the Olympic Route Network (ORN) and Paralympic Route Network (PRN) transferred to TfL earlier this year, who are currently going through the Traffic Regulation Order process. Details of the ORN and PRN are included in Chapter 6. My colleagues at TfL will be able to advise you specifically on the details of the impacts of road users in London, the steps taken to mitigate the impact and details of the reinstatement of the temporary crossings.

We acknowledge the specific concerns raised by London Councils and Road Haulage Association regarding the arrangements for the enforcement of the ORN and PRN.

To address these concerns the ODA is working with TfL and the relevant boroughs on the specific delivery plans for enforcement, using the resources available. We would be happy to brief you and London Councils on these as they are developed in the early Autumn.

Additional information on the measures taken to improve accessibility is available throughout the plan, although the detailed planning on the staffing plans, locations of temporary ramps and platform humps is still ongoing. Below is an update on the latest information on these areas.

Tests of the ramps are currently being undertaken by London Underground. The initial results are promising and work is continuing. A prototype hump is being installed in Charing Cross Station to look at the operational installation of these semi-permanent humps and a prospective list of station platforms is being developed. We would be happy to send you a detailed map of these once they are finalised.

The plans for transporting people with reduced mobility from main transport hubs to venues and within large venues such as the Olympic Park are work streams being led by LOCOG as part of their Last Mile and Games Mobility service projects. They will be able to provide you with further information on this.

We would be happy to arrange a briefing on these areas and any other queries you may have on the next edition of the ODA Transport Plan. If you would like a briefing please ask your office to contact Hazel Peacock, Stakeholder Relations Manager on email: hazel.peacock@london2012.com and on 0203 023 6214.

Yours sincerely



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