

Questions to the Mayor
Mayor's Question Time, 25 March 2015

PRIORITY ORDER PAPER

Report No: 5

Subject: Questions to the Mayor

Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat

Garden Bridge (1)

Question No: 2015/0879

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Are you satisfied with the way in which the procurement process for the Garden Bridge was conducted?

Rail Devolution and London Bridge

Question No: 2015/0916

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

The recent chaotic scenes at London Bridge further highlighted the disadvantage of a chaotic and fragmented rail system in London. What are you doing to progress the devolution to City Hall of control London's suburban rail services?

Foreign language skills in the Capital

Question No: 2015/1182

[Tony Arbour](#)

A recent report suggests that low levels of language skills costs the UK economy £59bn every year. Can the Mayor let us know if he intends to pursue any foreign language initiatives, as part of his Education remit, to help London make the most out of its trade links?

London Bridge chaos

Question No: 2015/0818

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you update the Assembly on what you have been doing to bring an end to the chaos at London Bridge station?

Starter Homes

Question No: 2015/1170

[Steve O'Connell](#)

Following the Government's announcement of its new starter homes scheme, what London sites are being considered to benefit from the scheme and how many homes would this deliver?

Garden Bridge

Question No: 2015/0910

[John Biggs](#)

Do you intend to apologise to Londoners for misleading them about the garden bridge?

Taxi and Private Hire - 'Future Proof'

Question No: 2015/0917

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

There are currently 68 Metropolitan Police Cab Enforcement Officers. As highlighted in the London Assembly Transport Committee's report 'Future Proof' - this number has stagnated since 2008, despite the number of Private Hire drivers increasing by 10,000 vehicles over this period. What commitment will you make to increase the number Enforcement Officers in the capital?

Cuts to Policing

Question No: 2015/0912

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Have cuts gone far enough?

Night Tube

Question No: 2015/1151

[Richard Tracey](#)

Will you assure Londoners that London Underground will deliver the Night Tube without being held to ransom over excessive wage demands?

London Rental Standard

Question No: 2015/0911

[Tom Copley](#)

How many private sector landlords are currently accredited by schemes approved by the London Rental Standard?

Building on Lordship Recreation Ground

Question No: 2015/1143

[Andrew Boff](#)

Lordship Recreation Ground recently received £5m in public money for re-development, including £400k from the GLA. Can the Mayor assure us that he will protect the Rec, and the GLA's interests, against the housing development plans of Haringey Council?

Offending by armed forces veterans

Question No: 2015/1163

[Roger Evans](#)

Nottinghamshire Police are piloting a project to support armed forces veterans who become involved in crime. What assessments have you, MOPAC and the Metropolitan Police Service made of this scheme, and will you be introducing a similar one in London?

School places

Question No: 2015/0909

[Jennette Arnold](#)

Given your commitment in your Education Programme Delivery Plan 2013 to help address the crisis in school places, what are your thoughts about the latest figures that show a rise in the number of pupils missing out on their first school choice in London?

Toxic London

Question No: 2015/0913

[Murad Qureshi](#)

It is my view that, after seven years of inaction, you will leave a toxic environmental legacy – not least in terms of the capital's appalling air quality – both for Londoners and the capital's next Mayor. Why has the environment been such a low priority during your Mayoralty?

Health devolution

Question No: 2015/1144

[Andrew Boff](#)

Given that Manchester recently received a dose of health devolution, does the Mayor think that London could also benefit from some form of health devolution?

Affordability of homes in London

Question No: 2015/1131

[Stephen Knight](#)

What is the current ratio between average London house price and median full-time annual earnings in London?

The use of technology to report rape

Question No: 2015/1148

[Andrew Boff](#)

Will the Mayor encourage the Metropolitan Police Service to commission a specific mobile application which will allow the victims of serious sexual offences to report their experiences discreetly to the police?

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

Pay

Question No: 2015/0918

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Has London become a low wage economy?

Tall Buildings

Question No: 2015/0915

[Navin Shah](#)

At the November 2014 Plenary session, the Assembly passed a motion calling on you to rethink your approach to tall buildings in London. Have you changed your position?

Problem debt

Question No: 2015/0819

[Jenny Jones](#)

Will you press the Government to reverse benefit cuts and sanctions which are getting people in London into problem debt?

Mayor's Response to London Health Commission Report

Question No: 2015/0914

[Onkar Sahota](#)

How many of the London Health Commission Recommendations will you implement in full?

Questions not asked during Mayor's Question Time will be given a written response by Monday, 30 March 2015.

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Living wage target

Question No: 2015/0820

[Jenny Jones](#)

In your manifesto you pledged to "work constructively with the private sector to increase to 250 the number of companies offering the London Living Wage." Yet you continue to report against this target by including public and third sector employers, for example in the Q3 report on KPIs at your Investment and Performance Board. Will you correct these papers so that, for example, in that report it shows you on track with 232 private sector employers so far?

Lowest paid employees

Question No: 2015/0821

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you tell me the lowest pay scale in each of the GLA group bodies for each of 2013-14 and 2014-15?

Highest paid employees

Question No: 2015/0822

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you tell me how much the highest remunerated employee was paid, including all expenses and other benefits but excluding pensions, in each of the GLA group bodies and for each of 2013-14 and 2014-15?

Workfare pilot results (1)

Question No: 2015/0823

[Jenny Jones](#)

The DWP's evaluation and impact analysis of the Day One Support for Young People Trailblazer found that young people who completed the scheme were half as likely to be in paid employment compared to those who didn't complete it. What lessons will you draw from this in future work in this area?

Workfare pilot results (2)

Question No: 2015/0824

[Jenny Jones](#)

The DWP's evaluation and impact analysis of the Day One Support for Young People Trailblazer found that two thirds of young people who took part said their compulsory work experience didn't leave them with enough time to apply for jobs. What lessons will you draw from this in future work in this area?

Workfare pilot results (3)

Question No: 2015/0825

[Jenny Jones](#)

What conclusions have you drawn about the efficacy of sanctions in the Day One Support for Young People Trailblazer, following the DWP's evaluation and impact analysis?

More solar PV capacity on car park than entire TfL estate

Question No: 2015/0826

[Jenny Jones](#)

Are you aware that more solar PV capacity was installed on the main Olympic Stadium car park (360kW) than on the TfL Estate (250kW), excluding bus stops?

Solar PV and 'Future of the RE:FIT Programme'

Question No: 2015/0827

[Jenny Jones](#)

The 'Future of the RE:FIT Programme' paper that was submitted to the GLA's 'Housing Investment Group' on the 3rd March 2015 did not appear to include any explicit references to Solar PV deployment. Can you clarify what role will solar play in this future programme?

Energy recovery from business using cooling and refrigeration systems

Question No: 2015/0828

[Jenny Jones](#)

Energy Recovery technology can offer substantial economic and carbon savings for businesses using refrigeration or air conditioning systems. However, with the exception of a few retailers and pioneers, this technology remains under exploited. Will you energy team look at ways in which the GLA can promote this technology and help accelerate its take-up amongst the range of London businesses?'

Coaches Idling

Question No: 2015/0829

[Jenny Jones](#)

Thank you for your answer to my question 2014/4093, but you seem to have been misled. My constituent informs me that on contacting Transport for London about their spot checks they deny that it is their responsibility and asked her to contact Westminster City Council. This is clearly disappointing as your campaign to end idling in London appears to be having little impact on coach companies using heavy diesel vehicles around residential areas like SW1. Is it time for TfL to carry out spot checks of its own, as your original answers suggested?

Cost analysis of policing Parliament Square

Question No: 2015/0830

[Jenny Jones](#)

Thank you for your answer to my questions 2015/0055 and 2015/0497. In your response to my original question 2015/0055 you state "Providing accurate costs for a large number of policing operations is a complex activity requiring significant work by accountants. At this time, cost analysis is unavailable." Will you release the cost analysis once it has been undertaken?

Sanction for undercover officers who transgress guidance on sexual relationships (1)

Question No: 2015/0831

[Jenny Jones](#)

In view of the guidance now in place for undercover operatives in respect of sexual relationships (as mentioned in the letter from the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, Sir Bernard Hogan-Howe, to the Chair of the Assembly dated 4 February 2015), please confirm what disciplinary measures have been taken against officers who are known to have committed a breach of this guidance?

Sanction for undercover officers who transgress guidance on sexual relationships (2)

Question No: 2015/0832

[Jenny Jones](#)

In view of the guidance now in place for undercover operatives in respect of sexual relationships (as mentioned in the letter from the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, Sir Bernard Hogan-Howe, to the Chair of the Assembly dated 4 February 2015), please confirm what, if any, disciplinary measures have been taken against the supervisors and managers of those officers known to have committed a breach of this guidance?

Independent Domestic Violence Advocates

Question No: 2015/0833

[Jenny Jones](#)

Please confirm how many Independent Domestic Violence Advocates (IDVAs) are currently working in London?

Stop and account

Question No: 2015/0834

[Jenny Jones](#)

How many stop and accounts did the Metropolitan Police Service conduct in 2014?

Mayor's Mentoring Scheme

Question No: 2015/0835

[Jenny Jones](#)

Please provide me with the most recent figures for the following: the number of young boys referred to the Mayor's Mentoring Scheme; the number of mentors trained and ready for pairing; and the number of successful live matches?

Use of leaf-blowers in schools playgrounds

Question No: 2015/0836

[Jenny Jones](#)

Given your responsibilities in relation to the environment, will you urge the Department of Education to investigate the introduction of a ban of the use of leaf-blowers in school playgrounds? The particulates and other pollutants released by diesel engines can be excessive and if used inappropriately can expose children to avoidable exposure as well as high decibel levels?

Other proposals for Crystal Palace Park

Question No: 2015/0837

[Darren Johnson](#)

Has the GLA been contacted by companies, besides the ZhongRong Group and its agents, expressing an interest in developing something on the hill top in Crystal Palace Park since October 2013?

Discussions about Crystal Palace Park

Question No: 2015/0838

[Darren Johnson](#)

Has the GLA discussed proposals for developing something on the hill top in Crystal Palace Park with any companies, besides the ZhongRong Group and its agents, since October 2013?

Crystal Palace Park masterplan

Question No: 2015/0839

[Darren Johnson](#)

Are you considering pressing for revisions to, or a rewrite of, the adopted masterplan for Crystal Palace Park when the study of the wider Crystal Palace area is concluded?

Crystal Palace Park HLF bid

Question No: 2015/0840

[Darren Johnson](#)

Given that the ZhongRong Group proposal, which you actively supported, derailed the Heritage Lottery Fund bid for Crystal Palace Park, and that the work now being paid for with the GLA's match funding will fall a long way short of the works proposed in the HLF bid, would you make available further match funds for a future bid to complete those works?

Council estates aren't brownfield

Question No: 2015/0841

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will you ensure that occupied council housing estates are not classified as 'brownfield' in your London Land Commission?

People's Land Commission

Question No: 2015/0842

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will you explore opportunities early on to work with community organisations like the National Community Land Trust Network and the Just Space Network, as part of your London Land Commission? I believe many local groups would be able to help identify and bring forward many more sites for housing.

Residents managing council housing

Question No: 2015/0843

[Darren Johnson](#)

What are you doing to support resident-led initiatives in London which encourage residents in local authority owned homes to have a major role in managing their own homes?

Tenant Management Organisations

Question No: 2015/0844

[Darren Johnson](#)

Many residents in London have already formed Tenant Management Organisations, but some feel they are treated poorly by their council. As you have previously promoted resident empowerment in your housing strategies, what are you doing to encourage boroughs and other housing providers to support rather than suffocate Tenant Management Organisations?

Housing covenant allocations

Question No: 2015/0845

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you provide me with a breakdown of homes by (a) social rent, (b) affordable rent, (c) low cost home ownership and (d) market homes in the contract with the Notting Hill Housing Trust, which has been allocated £92,258,837 in your housing covenant programmes?

Aylesbury estate tenure

Question No: 2015/0846

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you provide me with a breakdown of homes by (a) social rent, (b) affordable rent, (c) low cost home ownership and (d) market homes that you currently expect the Notting Hill Housing Trust to build on the Aylesbury Estate using allocations from your housing covenant and the estate regeneration fund?

English Housing Survey

Question No: 2015/0847

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will you lobby against the Government's proposed cutbacks to the English Housing Survey, such as only conducting it every other year?

Not building enough social housing

Question No: 2015/0848

[Darren Johnson](#)

What net addition to London's social housing stock will you have made to date, taking account of demolitions and sales?

Additional safety measures around construction sites and construction vehicles

Question No: 2015/0849

[Darren Johnson](#)

Given the huge dangers construction sites and construction vehicles pose to pedestrians and cyclists, will you look at implementing additional measures such as temporary segregation around construction sites, lower speed limits and the type of additional safety measures which are in place on construction sites themselves but not in the surrounding areas? Will you also ensure that all of the recommendations in the 2013 Construction logistics and cyclist safety technical report are fully implemented?

Cycle hire sponsorship in south London

Question No: 2015/0850

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will you ensure that some of the extra income from the cycle hire sponsorship deal is put into expanding the scheme south of the river Thames, so that it reaches larger areas of Southwark, Lambeth and Wandsworth?

Upgrading the bus fleet in Brixton and Streatham

Question No: 2015/0851

[Darren Johnson](#)

Under existing plans for the replacement of the bus fleet, how long will it take before all buses travelling through Brixton and Streatham reach Euro 6 standards?

Inappropriate use of cyclist warning stickers

Question No: 2015/0852

[Darren Johnson](#)

Thank you for your answer to question 2014/4047. What action is being taken to replace the 'cyclist stay back' stickers on those FORS registered company vehicles who have ignored your request? Will their certification be revoked? Is there a way of cyclists reporting vehicles still using the old stickers?

CS1 superhighway

Question No: 2015/0853

[Darren Johnson](#)

There have been two deaths of cyclists on Hackney's main roads so far this year. Why does your proposed cycling superhighway ignore work to make safe busy junctions on the Transport for London road network?

Olympic Park roads

Question No: 2015/0854

[Darren Johnson](#)

You said that the Olympic Park would be a 'paradise for cyclists', so will you:

explain why the loop road in the Olympic Park has been re-built recently without any segregated cycle lane provision?

provide figures for the planned provision of cycle, car and coach parking connected with the West Ham Stadium?

ensure the travel plans for events at the West Ham stadium include at least 5% of people arriving by bike?

agree that the excellent cycle track on Waterden Road should be the blueprint for cycling provision in the rest of the Olympic Park?

explain why the cycling provision around the Westfield Avenue of the Olympic site has become such a nightmare for cyclists who have to compete with construction lorries on the roads and outline what TfL is doing to address the problems?

Cycling Superhighway 9

Question No: 2015/0855

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you explain why Cycling Superhighway 9 has been axed despite this being West London's most high demand route?

Transparency around TfL research activities

Question No: 2015/0856

[Darren Johnson](#)

What research is TfL and/or the GLA carrying out or commissioning on cycling in London? Can a register of all research be published, along with expected publication dates for the results? Can this register be permanently placed on the TfL/GLA website and updated with new research on an ongoing basis?

Network Rail and Brixton Businesses

Question No: 2015/0857

[Darren Johnson](#)

While I am keen to see Network Rail assets like railway arches being put to good use, do you agree that this should be done in a way that gives real opportunities to SMEs rather than faceless multinationals and also ensure that existing businesses are not displaced? Will you make representations to Network Rail on behalf of the numerous small business owners who find their livelihoods under threat due to the proposed refurbishment of Brixton railway arches?

Brent Cross contract (1)

Question No: 2015/0858

[Darren Johnson](#)

Transport for London is proposing to allow the developer at Brent Cross licence to spend £286m upgrading the main TfL highways and the M1. Can you provide a previous example of where a developer has been given responsibility for spending tens of millions of pounds carrying out work on the Transport for London road network and borough roads?

Brent Cross contract (2)

Question No: 2015/0859

[Darren Johnson](#)

Who will have ownership and responsibility for the maintenance and repair of the Living Bridge which is being built as part of the Brent Cross development?

Garden Bridge (1)

Question No: 2015/0860

[Darren Johnson](#)

Have you or your officials told the Garden Bridge Trust or the local planning authorities that you will guarantee funding for the regular maintenance of the bridge in the event of insufficient private funding being raised? Will you please publish all the correspondence relating to this arrangement.

Garden Bridge (2)

Question No: 2015/0861

[Darren Johnson](#)

Given the large scale public funding of the Garden Bridge, how do you account for your failure to obtain additional cycle tracks as part of the structure of the bridge, or to guarantee a 24 hour public 'right of way' for pedestrians?

iBus contract

Question No: 2015/0862

[Darren Johnson](#)

Now that the Transport for London Board has agreed to go ahead with a £260m extension of the iBus Communication System, can you ensure it addresses the following:

It provides bus operators with the ability to limit the maximum speed that matches existing speed limits on bus routes with TfL ensuring these limits are observed

Buses currently have an iBus reminder bleep when they pass near a low bridge. Will you ensure that they have a similar bleep when passing through areas with a high number of collisions, or junctions with a large number of cyclists, school children, tourists, and elderly pedestrians?

Where roads have a recurring problem of collisions, will you ensure that the iBus sets an advisory speed limit of 10mph?

Will you ensure that iBus headway indicator and screen saver have "Safety is your most important Objective"

City Airport consultation re-run needed

Question No: 2015/0863

[Darren Johnson](#)

The effects of City Airports proposed changes will be to concentrate flights in tighter routes leading to an increase in over flying and noise pollution in some areas. However many of the people who live under these flight paths were not made aware of the proposed changes, with local public meetings or literature, in order to contribute to the debate. Will you urge the CAA to direct City Airport to re-run this inadequate consultation?

Cycle Superhighways - Angled kerbs

Question No: 2015/0864

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

While I welcome the new Cycle Superhighways, I have expressed concerns about the narrowed width in some places. Can you give an assurance that, where possible, angled kerbs will be used to provide the maximum effective width, increasing capacity and making the paths safer?

London City Airport - Flight paths

Question No: 2015/0865

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

I understand that London City Airport wishes to concentrate its flight paths, and must seek approval from the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA). Will you write to the CAA requesting that it instruct London City Airport to conduct a fresh consultation on the proposals?

Private Hire Operator Licence - Uber

Question No: 2015/0866

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

A constituent has been in contact to highlight that, in order to obtain a Private Hire Operator's Licence the holder must have a landline telephone number. My constituent states that Uber do not have a landline number. Will you look into this issue?

Tufnell Park Underground station closure (1)

Question No: 2015/0867

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What consideration has been given to keeping Tufnell Park station open during the works, for entry or exit only, using the stairs as access? Several other stations - such as Camden, Mornington Crescent and Holloway Road - remain open for either entry or exit only during busy periods.

Tufnell Park Underground station closure (2)

Question No: 2015/0868

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

TfL has claimed passengers who must take a bus to a nearby station due to the closure of Tufnell Park Underground station will receive a refund. As this will only benefit Oyster PAYG passengers, how will TfL compensate Travelcard holders for the inconvenience caused?

Tufnell Park Underground station closure (3)

Question No: 2015/0869

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What is the projected cost of refunding passengers for bus journeys to nearby underground stations for the duration of the works at Tufnell Park? How does this affect the overall saving TfL claims by closing the station during works?

Overcrowding and safety on underground platforms (1)

Question No: 2015/0870

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

The increase in passengers using the Northern Line as an alternative to other routes into London Bridge during the disruptive station rebuild works is having a dangerous effect. Clapham South is an already overcrowded station, with a narrow platform, that has seen a marked increase in passengers. With particular reference to the incident at Clapham South on 12th March, what extra measures is TfL taking to ensure the safety of passengers on platforms during periods of significant overcrowding?

Overcrowding and safety on underground platforms (2)

Question No: 2015/0871

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What additional staff is TfL putting in place at other stations affected by London Bridge works (e.g. Canada Water, Balham etc)?

Northern Line passenger numbers

Question No: 2015/0872

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please provide monthly passenger figures for the Northern Line between Morden and Kennington from March 2014, up to the present.

Finsbury Park - Wells Terrace entrance closure (1)

Question No: 2015/0873

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

I am aware of several complaints from passengers regarding the closure of Wells Terrace entrance at Finsbury Park, a station that is often significantly overcrowded. What has been done to explore ways of keeping this entrance open for the duration of the works there?

Finsbury Park - Wells Terrace entrance closure (2)

Question No: 2015/0874

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What measures are you taking while the Wells Terrace entrance is closed to relieve overcrowding?

River freight for construction materials (1)

Question No: 2015/0875

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How are you using your wide ranging powers to ensure developments on or near the Thames use the river to transport materials to and from the construction sites? For example, Port of Tilbury can provide consolidation for construction deliveries, removing many HGVs from London's roads.

River freight for construction materials (2)

Question No: 2015/0876

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Will you consider mandating the use of the river for construction transport as a planning condition for developments on or near to the river?

Ultra Low Emission Zone and minimising pedestrian collisions with blind and visually impaired people (1)

Question No: 2015/0877

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Guide Dogs for the Blind, RNIB and other organisations representing blind and partially sighted people are very concerned that the growth of electric and hybrid vehicles within the proposed Ultra Low Emission Zone could lead to many vehicles which create very little audible noise. They believe these vehicles could potentially be a very serious risk to pedestrians, especially those who are blind or partially sighted.

What steps are being considered by Transport for London to ensure that vehicles permitted within the Ultra Low Emissions Zone create some form of artificial engine sound to ensure their audibility to people who are blind or partially sighted, and other pedestrians.

Ultra Low Emission Zone and minimising pedestrian collisions with blind and visually impaired people (2)

Question No: 2015/0878

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

There is some evidence that there is a higher incidence of pedestrian and bicycle collisions involving hybrid and electric vehicles. What steps are being taken to ensure that the much welcome growth in hybrid and electric vehicles does not lead to an increase in collisions with cyclists and pedestrians across London.

Garden Bridge (2)

Question No: 2015/0880

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the invitation to tender for bridge design consultancy service (ITT REF: TfL/90711) please state: (1) on what date or dates was the assessment made to consider the submitted tenders, (2) which individual, individuals or committee undertook the assessment. If a committee undertook the assessment please state who were the members of this committee, and (3) was there any internal process within TfL to re-examine the initial awarding of marks following the initial assessment of the tenders

Garden Bridge (3)

Question No: 2015/0881

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the invitation to tender for bridge design consultancy service (ITT REF: TfL/90711) please publish exact definitions of the evaluation criteria of (1) Relevant Design Experience, (2) Relevant Experience, and (3) Understanding of the Brief.

Garden Bridge (4)

Question No: 2015/0882

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the invitation to tender for bridge design consultancy service (ITT REF: TfL/90711) please publish all documents that were created by the individual, individuals or committee in preparation of completing their evaluation of the three design tenders.

Garden Bridge - maintenance costs

Question No: 2015/0883

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What consideration was given to involving the City Bridge Trust when assessing how future costs for the Garden Bridge will be covered?

Use of confidentiality clauses in Employment Tribunal cases

Question No: 2015/0884

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Do you consider it appropriate for confidentiality clauses to be used in Employment Tribunal cases relating to any part of the Greater London Authority?

Personal Service Companies

Question No: 2015/0885

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the answer 2015/006 please state how many temporary employees at Transport for London are currently engaged via employment agencies for more than (a) 12 months, (b) 18 months, (c) 2 years, and (d) 3 years.

Brownhill Road junction

Question No: 2015/0886

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

I have received reports of significant congestion at the junction of Brownhill Road and Torridon Road. Will you instruct TfL to explore the possibility of installing a yellow box junction at this location to keep traffic flowing?

Insurance requirements for Private Hire vehicles

Question No: 2015/0887

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Are you satisfied that Private Hire vehicles are only required to hold third-party insurance to pass the TfL vehicle inspection?

Funding boost for victims of gang violence

Question No: 2015/0888

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What is the timeframe for the roll out of specialist youth workers, dealing directly with young victims of gang crime to be placed in every hospital major trauma centre (MTCs) to support victims of gang violence?

BME PCSOs

Question No: 2015/0889

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

In 2013/14 only 13 BME former PCSOs became police officers and only three became police officers in 2012/13 compared to 194 that became officers in 2011/12. Considering the current recruitment drive and the importance placed on having a representative force for our multicultural city, how do you explain these figures? What specific work are you doing to improve upon them?

Missing sex offenders (1)

Question No: 2015/0890

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

On 10th March it was widely reported that the MPS have lost track of 167 sex offenders across the city. Will there be an enquiry into how this has happened and what new measures will you put in place to make sure this doesn't happen again?

Missing sex offenders (2)

Question No: 2015/0891

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the reports that the MPS has lost track of 167 sex offenders across the city, what specific work are you doing to track down these 167 missing sex offenders given that one of them has been missing for over a decade?

School girls groomed by IS

Question No: 2015/0892

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Given the MPS has had to apologise for the handling of the case of the three east London girls who have run away to Syria after being groomed by IS, what work are you doing to better engage with the Muslim community, specifically with parents of children at risk of such grooming?

Policing Julian Assange

Question No: 2015/0893

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Has your Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime, Stephen Greenhalgh, had a response to his formal representations to the Home Office about the funding for this case? Will you publish the response when it is received?

Water Cannon (1)

Question No: 2015/0894

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

The water cannon you purchased are now not going to be licensed by this government. How much is their monthly up-keep cost, including maintenance and storage?

Water Cannon (2)

Question No: 2015/0895

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Given that the license to use the water cannon you purchased will not be given by this government do you have contingency plans to sell these machines? Have you approached any possible buyers? What is their current market value?

Tackling Knife Crime in Camden

Question No: 2015/0896

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the letter I received from MOPAC dated 26th February. How many additional detectives have been posted to the Violent Crime Unit in Camden?

Tackling Knife Crime in Hammersmith & Fulham

Question No: 2015/0897

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the letter I received from MOPAC dated 26th February. How many additional detectives have been posted to the Violent Crime Unit in Hammersmith & Fulham?

Tackling Knife Crime in Havering

Question No: 2015/0898

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the letter I received from MOPAC dated 26th February. How many additional detectives have been posted to the Violent Crime Unit in Havering?

Tackling Knife Crime in Lambeth

Question No: 2015/0899

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the letter I received from MOPAC dated 26th February. How many additional detectives have been posted to the Violent Crime Unit in Lambeth?

Tackling Knife Crime in Southwark

Question No: 2015/0900

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the letter I received from MOPAC dated 26th February. How many additional detectives have been posted to the Violent Crime Unit in Southwark?

MPS Weapon Sweeps in Camden

Question No: 2015/0901

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the letter I received from MOPAC dated 26th February. How many knives have been retrieved in MPS weapon sweeps in the borough of Camden over the last four years? Please break down the figure by month and provide total per year.

MPS Weapon Sweeps in Hammersmith & Fulham

Question No: 2015/0902

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the letter I received from MOPAC dated 26th February. How many knives have been retrieved in MPS weapon sweeps in the borough of Hammersmith & Fulham over the last four years? Please break down the figure by month and provide total per year.

MPS Weapon Sweeps in Havering

Question No: 2015/0903

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the letter I received from MOPAC dated 26th February. How many knives have been retrieved in MPS weapon sweeps in the borough of Havering over the last four years? Please break down the figure by month and provide total per year.

MPS Weapon Sweeps in Lambeth

Question No: 2015/0904

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the letter I received from MOPAC dated 26th February. How many knives have been retrieved in MPS weapon sweeps in the borough of Lambeth over the last four years? Please break down the figure by month and provide total per year.

MPS Weapon Sweeps in Southwark

Question No: 2015/0905

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to the letter I received from MOPAC dated 26th February. How many knives have been retrieved in MPS weapon sweeps in the borough of Southwark over the last four years? Please break down the figure by month and provide total per year.

Working with the CPS to improve MPS knife crime sanction and detection rates.

Question No: 2015/0906

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What specific work have the MPS undertaken with the Crown Prosecution Service (MPS) to improve sanction and detection rates for knife crime across London?

Tackling knife crime across London

Question No: 2015/0907

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Given that last month recorded knife crime offence figures in London were the highest they have been in 12 months and the recent tragic death of 15 year old Alan Cartwright in Islington will you now consider taking action to tackle this important issue? Will you agree to hold a summit on this issue with Borough Commanders, Hospital Trusts with major trauma centres and external stakeholders such as the Ben Kinsella Trust, Lives Not Knives and Peabody Young People Services?

SNT Contact Points

Question No: 2015/0908

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What changes will there be to locations and opening times of contact points given the recommendations in the review of the Local Policing Model? Please provide a breakdown of changes by borough.

Pedestrian deaths

Question No: 2015/0919

[Jennette Arnold](#)

When a pedestrian is tragically killed on London's transport network as a result of an accident or other collision, what mechanisms, if any, do TfL and/or the Metropolitan Police have for publishing this information?

International Women's Day 2015

Question No: 2015/0920

[Jennette Arnold](#)

You say on the GLA's website that every year you have "marked International Women's Day" which is a day "to inspire women and celebrate achievements." So, what did you do to celebrate International Women's Day this year?

School places and Free Schools

Question No: 2015/0921

[Jennette Arnold](#)

Given your commitment in your Education Programme Delivery Plan 2013 to help address the crisis in school places, can you detail - by borough, school and year group - the number of school places that you have directly helped to create through your Free Schools programme? Please list this as the actual number of pupils who are currently studying in each school, rather than as any projected figures.

Part-time Mayor

Question No: 2015/0922

[John Biggs](#)

What arrangements are you making to be in two places at once, in the event that you become an MP in May?

CS2 works

Question No: 2015/0923

[John Biggs](#)

While appreciating the need to progress these works, why is the project management so appalling, and the responsiveness of TfL so dire, that the safety of pedestrians in my constituency is being disregarded with crossings out of action and no temporary alternatives? Furthermore, TfL seem incapable of responding to repeated concerns expressed about this.

100 Bus

Question No: 2015/0924

[John Biggs](#)

Why is TfL incapable of mitigating the catastrophic failure of the rerouting of the 100 Bus from Dock Street, even though at peak times this has led to massive delays. My constituents in Wapping, and beyond, have largely abandoned the service at peak times as a result.

Thames Barrier Park

Question No: 2015/0925

[John Biggs](#)

What progress have you made with your review for future management/ownership options for this park, and when will a decision or options be announced?

Nine Elms Bridge

Question No: 2015/0926

[John Biggs](#)

Are you proposing, in addition to the legendary Garden Bridge, to build a second pedestrian bridge across the Thames at Nine Elms/Pimlico?

Boleyn Ground

Question No: 2015/0927

[John Biggs](#)

Would no affordable housing be an acceptable outcome in the redevelopment of West Ham United's former ground?

Crossrail2 potential Eastern branch

Question No: 2015/0928

[John Biggs](#)

Regarding your previous mention of a "possible eastern spur" to Crossrail 2, what routes for that have you so far studied?

Do those possible routes include interchanges at Stratford Regional and, alternatively, at Stratford International stations? Do they include Barking, and if so, where?

Are you confirming in your previous answer that you wish to finance and build a full-specification grade-separated junction towards the East End in your current Crossrail 2 plans, even if that leads to blind tunnels to begin with?

Would any blind tunnels nevertheless help with providing a convenient surface access site for your main construction heading and stations?

Do you anticipate that any possible East End route would be expected to reach Thames Gateway locations, and be partly financed by property developments there?

Operation Encompass

Question No: 2015/0929

[Tom Copley](#)

Please provide an update on Met actions undertaken since the launch of 'Operation Encompass' and the outcomes to date of this operation.

'Beds in sheds'

Question No: 2015/0930

[Tom Copley](#)

In July 2013 you responded to a question (2498/2013) from my colleague Andrew Dismore that the Deputy Mayor for Housing, Land and Property is a member of the Beds in Sheds Ministerial Taskforce. Can you provide an update on the Deputy Mayor's work as part of this taskforce and outline how the funding, mentioned in the response, has been used to tackle the problem of Beds in Sheds in London?

Land

Question No: 2015/0931

[Tom Copley](#)

While the Mayor has focused heavily on public sector land, does the Mayor believe the efficiency of the market for private land in London could be improved and, if so, how?

Affordable housing (1)

Question No: 2015/0932

[Tom Copley](#)

How many affordable homes are currently forecast to have been completed in London between 1 April 2011 and 31 March 2015?

Affordable housing (2)

Question No: 2015/0933

[Tom Copley](#)

What is the estimated multiplier effect currently associated with GLA investment in affordable housing in London?

Rough sleeping

Question No: 2015/0934

[Tom Copley](#)

The Department for Communities and Local Government recently published data showing that rough sleeping rose by 37% in London from 2013 to 2014. While I support the No Second Night Out programme, it is clear that it is insufficient in itself to deal with the problem of rough sleeping that has grown dramatically across Greater London since 2008. Will you commit to bringing forward new proposals in the spring to tackle this problem and to ensure that we start to see the number of rough sleepers in London reduce?

London Land Commission (1)

Question No: 2015/0935

[Tom Copley](#)

When do you expect the London Land Commission to begin its work and when is it expected to have completed its survey of surplus public sector land?

London Land Commission (2)

Question No: 2015/0936

[Tom Copley](#)

When will the official remit or terms of reference for the London Land Commission be published? Please provide this if it is already available.

Social Mobility Fund (1)

Question No: 2015/0937

[Tom Copley](#)

The Treasury recently announced £84million of funding for a Social Mobility Fund "to help council tenants across the country who are eligible for the Right to Buy to buy their own homes on the open market". How much of this funding will be available to Londoners?

Social Mobility Fund (2)

Question No: 2015/0938

[Tom Copley](#)

According to figures that you have provided in response to previous Mayor's Questions, the £84million recently announced for the 'Social Mobility Fund' could alternatively have been used to fund the construction of 762 additional social rented properties in London, which would have (a) expanded the supply of truly affordable housing, (b) generate a rental income, (c) reduced social security expenditure on expensive private rented accommodation, and (d) created a capital asset. Given these benefits and the opportunity costs associated with them, how is it justifiable to spend £84million of tax payers' money on this scheme?

London Rental Standard

Question No: 2015/0939

[Tom Copley](#)

Please provide data for the number of London landlords that were accredited by schemes that are currently approved by the London Rental Standard in May of each year since 2008.

Staff at the National Gallery

Question No: 2015/0940

[Tom Copley](#)

It has been reported that the National Gallery is the only major museum or gallery that does not pay the London Living Wage. Have you had any discussions about the National Gallery becoming accredited to pay its staff the London Living Wage? Have you made any representations about the decision to move 400 of its 600 staff to the private sector?

Kentish Town Police Station

Question No: 2015/0941

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Kentish Town Police Station has closed apparently for works. What is being done, how long will it be closed for, and as this is the only 24/7 station in Camden, what alternative arrangements are you making for the public who wish to go to a police station?

Aerodrome Road pedestrian crossing

Question No: 2015/0942

[Andrew Dismore](#)

In view of the delay in installing a pedestrian crossing, until the details of access to the Peel Centre site are sorted out, can a temporary crossing be provided in the interim on Aerodrome Road, and if not why not?

Aerodrome Road buses

Question No: 2015/0943

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Is it possible to route other buses than route 186 along Aerodrome Road towards Colindale as at present the 186 turns right at the roundabout towards Mill Hill, and if not, why not? Can you also look at the siting of the 186 bus stop which has been moved from Cherry Close, making interchange with route 204 difficult and if not, why not?

Access to Olympia

Question No: 2015/0944

[Andrew Dismore](#)

A constituent has complained to me about the problems of access to Olympia.

No one could explain to him why there is no tube or rail access to Olympia, and he asks Why is the shuttle from High Street Kensington to Olympia not running ALL the time? At Earls Court station there were hundreds of people outside the station waiting for a special bus. The road was totally jammed and he reports there were a lot of people who were really unhappy and could not believe how pathetic the transport was. There were a number of foreign visitors who were also very surprised. A number of people said they would never go to Olympia ever again. What will you do to improve access to this important venue?

No 7 bus

Question No: 2015/0945

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Is the shortening of the No 7 route to Oxford Circus permanent or temporary, pending work at Tottenham Court Road tube, and if permanent, why?

Northern Line - Ride Quality (1)

Question No: 2015/0946

[Andrew Dismore](#)

A constituent has complained about ride quality, to do with the uncomfortable and never-ending changes between acceleration and braking, rather than track alignment or train suspensions. He asks are trains attempting to run at a computerised predefined speed at each instant of travel? For a typical section of track away from stations, how wide, in km/hour, is the allowable speed range, such that above it the brakes are applied, and below it the accelerator? In this middle range, do the trains just coast or at least are on purely nominal base power?

Northern Line - Ride Quality (2)

Question No: 2015/0947

[Andrew Dismore](#)

In determining what acceleration or deceleration to apply to a train, does the new system have knowledge of how full the train is? Can the 1995 stock? Can the new sub-surface stock? Does the weight of any Underground train dramatically change the calculation necessary for typical desired braking and acceleration? Is this something the Northern Line system is unable to take into account?

Northern Line - Ride Quality (3)

Question No: 2015/0948

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Is the Northern Line computerised drive system able to anticipate the needs of the next section of track, or is acceleration and deceleration purely calculated on the current instant of time and its 'actual against desired' speeds? Is this the missing factor, that train drivers unconsciously provided, and that your new system cannot?

Do you accept the ride is unacceptably jerky?

Northern Line - Ride Quality (4)

Question No: 2015/0949

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Do your engineers hold speed and acceleration data for the same sections of track, from earlier driver-operated and current automatic operation? Have they ever made a comparison? With what result? If the former quality of ride was deemed subjectively 'acceptable' by passengers, how would you describe the current situation?

CABWISE cinema adverts

Question No: 2015/0950

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Further to Question No 2015/0608,

Further to Question No 2015/0162 CABWISE has produced advertisements for projection in cinemas advising women against getting into unlicensed cabs. One of the unlicensed cab drivers shown is of Asian origin and the other Afro-caribbean. I have received complaints from constituents who are offended about the commercial's apparent racial stereo-typing. What are your comments on the issue and what are you going to do about it?

your answer being

Officers are drafting a response which will be sent shortly.

when will I get a substantive reply?

your answer being

Officers are drafting a response which will be sent shortly

when will I get a substantive reply?

Daytime bus service serving Colindale

Question No: 2015/0951

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Further to Question No 2015/0612

Further to Question No 2014/5169

With the ever-growing increase in the local population in Colindale adding a huge burden to the only direct transport link to central London, namely the tube and as there is no foreseeable prospect of the tube station capacity being increased, will TFL introduce a daytime bus service serving Colindale that links directly to central London?

your response being

TfL is in regular contact with Barnet Council about developments in the area, including the major regeneration of Grahame Park.

There are plans to support this in a range of ways, including increasing bus capacity and connectivity. A review of potential requirements is taking place and will be discussed with the council in early 2015.

Has the discussion with the council taken place yet; if not for when is it scheduled; and when will the review be completed?

your response being

TfL is due to meet with council officers in March to discuss requirements for the area. Officers will then compile a report setting out ways the network might develop to address these requirements which should be completed by mid-2015. The report will then be used to support further discussion with stakeholders

has the meeting taken place yet and with what outcome?

Stirling Corner - Cycling Round the Junction

Question No: 2015/0952

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Further to Question No 2015/0614

Further to Question No 2015/0153 Further to Question No 2014/5265, further to question 2014-4346, Further to question 2014-3747 Further to question 2014-3331: "Further to question 2014-1999:"Further to Question 2014-1459:"Further to your answer to Question 2014-1015, further to your answer to Question 2014-0258 and further to your answer to Question 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 2039-2013 and Question 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 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 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." And further to Question 2013-5236: "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 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?" Your answer being: "This is the 11th time you have asked this question. I have not cycled through Stirling Corner. However, when I next cycle through Stirling Corner, I will be sure to give you a report." Did you pass by Sterling Corner on your recent visit to Hendon? Have you cycled round the roundabout yet? If not, why not?" Your written response being: "This is the 12th time you have asked this question. Please see my response to MQ5236-2013". "Isn't it about time you honoured your commitment to ride round the junction on your bike, assuming you have yet to do so, so you don't have to keep answering this question which reveals your failure to honour your pledge? Your answer being: Your question could have simply read "Have you cycled around Stirling Corner?" and my response to that question is "Please see my response to MQ 4161-2012". Have you ridden round String corner yet on your bike; if not why not; and is your answer above an indication of the embarrassment you feel about being reminded about yet another broken pledge?" Your response being: "Officers are drafting a response which will be sent shortly. "Have you still not cycled round Stirling Corner, and if not, why not? your response being: My response to MQ 2014-1459 was "I have not broken any pledge on this issue."

bearing in mind that this junction serves Hertsmere as well as Barnet, will we see you honouring your pledge now, to cycle round the junction; and as we have just seen the welcome announcement of a 50 mph limit, can we expect shortly also to see the permanent 24-7 traffic lights local people want, and swift action on the need for pedestrian and cyclist improvements? Your response being "The findings of the trial to operate traffic signals on a full time basis will be made available shortly. At the same time, TfL will bring forward information on the potential for any further improvement works at the roundabout." Have you cycled round the junction yet? your response being: "Andrew, you are repeatedly asking the same question and I am repeatedly giving you the same answer. We also discussed this recently during the TfL Plenary on Wednesday 10 September. To reiterate the answer I gave then, "as soon as I have cycled round Stirling Corner you will be among the first to know". Boris, as you seem to be getting tetchy having repeatedly to answer this question, is not the answer for you ask yourself why I keep asking this question, which is because it is very dangerous to cycle round the junction until you get your finger out and do something to make it safer; and is the answer also for you to honour your pledge to cycle round the junction so you can see for yourself; and have you cycled round Stirling Corner yet? your response being Please see my response to MQ 2012- 4161 at: <http://questions.london.gov.uk-QuestionSearch-searchclient-questions->

[question_45351?findQuestionsByQuestionSequenceld=MQ%204161-2012](http://questions.london.gov.uk/QuestionSearch/searchclient/questions/question_45351?findQuestionsByQuestionSequenceld=MQ%204161-2012) As it is now almost 3 years since you made your promise to cycle round the junction do you ever intend to honour it? your response being Please see my response to MQ 2012 - 4161 at:[http://questions.london.gov.uk/QuestionSearch/searchclient/questions-question_45351?findQuestionsByQuestionSequenceld=MQ%204161-2012](http://questions.london.gov.uk/QuestionSearch/searchclient/questions/question_45351?findQuestionsByQuestionSequenceld=MQ%204161-2012)

when will I receive a substantive reply ?

your response being

Please see my response to MQ 2012 - 4161 at: http://questions.london.gov.uk/QuestionSearch/searchclient/questions-question_45351?findQuestionsByQuestionSequenceld=MQ%204161-2012

Will you now give a substantive reply to confirm you have honoured your promise?

your response being

Please see my response to MQ 2012 - 4161 at: http://questions.london.gov.uk/QuestionSearch/searchclient/questions/question_45351?findQuestionsByQuestionSequenceld=MQ%204161-2012

This being: Main question

Will you accept my invitation to attempt to go round Stirling Corner on your bike?

The Mayor:

I cycle the whole of London. When I next do Stirling Corner I will give you a report.

have you cycled round Stirling Corner yet?

Met's sanctioned detections rate

Question No: 2015/0953

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Do you agree that the clear downward trend in the Met's sanctioned detections rate is likely to be related to the loss of resources brought about by MOPAC cuts?

internet and phone frauds

Question No: 2015/0954

[Andrew Dismore](#)

As it becomes increasingly clear that internet and phone frauds are costing the public huge sums each year, can you explain why fraud is not included in MOPAC's targets for crime reduction?

Young person injuries

Question No: 2015/0955

[Andrew Dismore](#)

The London Ambulance Service records 900 young person injuries via shooting or stabbing, a 100 increase on last year, while MOPAC records a decrease in gang-related crime over the same period. Which is right?

Policing football matches

Question No: 2015/0956

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Further to Question No 2015/0619

How much a) has been spent so far on policing football matches this season; b) what is the total estimated cost of policing football matches for the whole season; c) how much has been recovered from football clubs so far this season; and d) what is the total estimated amount likely to be recovered from football clubs for the policing of football matches for the whole season?

your response being

Officers are drafting a response which will be sent shortly.

will you now give a substantive reply ?

'I'call responses in Barnet borough

Question No: 2015/0957

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Further to Question No: 2015/0616

For each of the last 6 months, please list and give details of the 3 longest ' I ' call responses in Barnet borough? Your response being

"Officers are drafting a response which will be sent shortly."

Will you now give a substantive reply?

Contact points

Question No: 2015/0958

[Andrew Dismore](#)

You previously answered questions about contact points by saying the review would be published in March 2015. Has this now been published; if not when will it come out; and if it has been published, what were the conclusions?

Number 13 bus route

Question No: 2015/0959

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Why are you proposing to withdraw the well-loved number 13 bus route from service?

Finchley Memorial Hospital bus hoppa petition

Question No: 2015/0960

[Andrew Dismore](#)

When will you give your response to me and the hundreds of residents who have signed a petition calling for a new bus service to serve Finchley Memorial Hospital?

Affordable housing starts

Question No: 2015/0961

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Recent analysis by the Financial Times found that only 20 per cent of the 23,000 homes being built on 61 sites in London that have started since March 2014 are affordable. Are you concerned that this figure is an early sign that London will not meet the number of affordable homes required by the London Plan for this year?

Mayoral Development Orders 1

Question No: 2015/0962

[Nicky Gavron](#)

The recently passed Infrastructure Act gives the Mayor of London power to create Mayoral Development Orders. Who came up with the idea?

Mayoral Development Orders 2

Question No: 2015/0963

[Nicky Gavron](#)

The recently passed Infrastructure Act gives the Mayor of London power to create Mayoral Development Orders. Did you make any representations to the Government or to Members of Parliament in support of the MDO proposal?

Mayoral Development Orders 3

Question No: 2015/0964

[Nicky Gavron](#)

The recently passed Infrastructure Act gives the Mayor of London power to create Mayoral Development Orders. Do you currently have any plans to create an MDO? If so, where?

Mayoral Development Orders 4

Question No: 2015/0965

[Nicky Gavron](#)

The recently passed Infrastructure Act gives the Mayor of London power to create Mayoral Development Orders. Can you please explain the difference in practice between an MDO and a Local Development Order that can be created by a local authority? Are MDOs subject to the same guidance under the NPPG?

Section 106 Planning Obligations - speeding up negotiations

Question No: 2015/0966

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Did you make a representation to the Government consultation on speeding up Section 106 negotiations for affordable housing? If so, what view did you take?

Transparency in viability discussions

Question No: 2015/0967

[Nicky Gavron](#)

In response to question 2015/0638 about the Information Commission's decision and accompanying report that the Royal Borough of Greenwich should disclose information relating to the reduction in affordable housing provision in North Greenwich (tribunal number EA/2014/0122), you responded "My officers are currently investigating the wider implications of this decision and the Information Commission's report."

Have your officers reached any firmer conclusions about this decision?

Four-tracking on West Anglia Main Line

Question No: 2015/0968

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Further to MQ 2014/5555, can you provide an update on the conversations you have had with Network Rail in January 2015 on prioritising four-tracking on the West Anglia Main Line?

Priority access for wheelchair users in Edmonton

Question No: 2015/0969

[Joanne McCartney](#)

I am disappointed to still be receiving complaints of wheelchair users not being able to board buses in Edmonton after I have repeatedly raised this issue with yourself and TfL. The complaints I am receiving relate to buggies occupying the wheelchair space and the drivers denying access, on routes 349 and 279. It is unacceptable for drivers not to follow the guidance in the Big Red Book regarding priority access for wheelchairs. What action will you take to ensure that all bus drivers follow this guidance?

Seven Sisters/Amhurst Park Junction

Question No: 2015/0970

[Joanne McCartney](#)

I have received concerns regarding the layout of the junction at Seven Sisters/Amhurst Park Road following a recent tragic death of a female cyclist at this junction. Local cyclists have told me that this junction needs urgent safety improvements to remove hazards for cyclists. Will TfL undertake an urgent review of this junction, liaising with local cyclist groups, and commit to improving cycle safety at this junction?

Free early education in London

Question No: 2015/0971

[Joanne McCartney](#)

The 2015 Annual Childcare Cost Survey by the Family and Childcare Trust highlights that there has only been a 50 per cent take up of free early education by those who are eligible in London. This is below the national average take up of 60 per cent. What action are you taking to work with local authorities and ensure that eligible two year olds in London receive the free early education that they are entitled to?

Tottenham Housing Zone

Question No: 2015/0972

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Can you detail what the average rent will be for affordable rent properties in the Tottenham Housing Zone?

Out of Court disposals

Question No: 2015/0973

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Please list the number of out of court disposals handed out in London in 2014. Please break these down by disposal type.

Out of Court Disposals - appropriate use

Question No: 2015/0974

[Joanne McCartney](#)

A recent Home Affairs Select committee report noted that 20-30% of out of court disposals national were applied inappropriately. What measure do the MPS have in place to ensure that MPS administered disposals are applied appropriately?

Operation Shield

Question No: 2015/0975

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Please outline the criteria used for selecting boroughs that receive support from Operation Shield?

Serious Organised Crime Risk Assessment

Question No: 2015/0976

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Can you confirm that all Boroughs have been provided with the template for the Serious and Organised Crime Risk Assessment drawn up by the MPS? Can you provide a copy of this template?

Domestic Violence

Question No: 2015/0977

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Please give the figures for Domestic Violence broken down by London borough for the month of February 2015. Please provide this information in an excel format.

Knife Crime

Question No: 2015/0978

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Please provide a breakdown of Knife Crime Offences by London borough for the December 2014, January 2015 and February 2015. Please provide this data in an excel format.

Contact Points

Question No: 2015/0979

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Please provide an up to date list of all police Contact Points currently in operation broken down by Borough.

Money Laundering & Housing in London (1)

Question No: 2015/0980

[Murad Qureshi](#)

A recent report by Transparency International, Corruption on Your Doorstep, suggested that a flow of corrupt cash is driving up house prices in London. What are you doing about it?

Money Laundering & Housing in London (2)

Question No: 2015/0981

[Murad Qureshi](#)

The Transparency International report, Corruption on Your Doorstep, suggested that some 40,725 properties in London are held by foreign companies which are exempt from capital gains tax, succession taxes and stamp duty. Does this concern you and what are you doing about it?

Money Laundering & Housing in London (3)

Question No: 2015/0982

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Will you join Transparency International's call for a change to the UK's money laundering regulations that would require Estate Agents to undertake due diligence checks on sellers and not just buyers of property?

Legal Fees for Transport for London Bill

Question No: 2015/0983

[Murad Qureshi](#)

In response to your answer to question [2015/0652](#), how and when can you expect to be invoiced for legal fees associated with the Opposed Bill Committee for the Transport for London Bill?

Baker Street "two-way" Proposal

Question No: 2015/0984

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Will you take into account the impact of air pollution levels in North Marylebone when considering TfL's two-way proposal of Baker Street, given the acute problem on and off the Marylebone Road?

Gatwick Expansion Campaign on the Tube Network

Question No: 2015/0985

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How much has the Gatwick expansion campaign spent on advertising on the tube system in March 2015?

Heathrow expansion campaign on the Tube network

Question No: 2015/0986

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How much has the Heathrow expansion campaign spent on advertising on the tube system in March 2015?

Homes for Britain campaign adverts

Question No: 2015/0987

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How much money has the Homes for Britain campaign spent on advertising on the tube system and in particular at Westminster tube station?

Austerity Impact on the Right to Protest

Question No: 2015/0988

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Please provide a copy of the legal advice given to the Met that led to its decision to inform a number of protest groups that it would no longer provide traffic management at planned demonstrations and that the organisers would have to bear the cost.

White Collar Crime

Question No: 2015/0989

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What resources are the Met putting into fighting white collar crime, for example money laundering, over the next financial year?

English Speaking as a Foreign Language (1)

Question No: 2015/0990

[Murad Qureshi](#)

In light of your comments on LBC Radio in January this year, which said that everybody living in London should be able to speak English, what analysis has been done of English for Speakers of other Languages (ESOL) provision in London?

English Speaking as a Foreign Language (2)

Question No: 2015/0991

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Has the Mayor any discussions with any of the four Government departments currently responsible for English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) policy in the UK?

English Speaking as a Foreign Language (3)

Question No: 2015/0992

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Many Londoners in need of English language learning support are earning a minimum wage. Would the Mayor advocate employers being encouraged to contribute towards the cost of, or otherwise support, ESOL learning for employees, as recently advocated in report 'On Speaking Terms' by the think tank Demos?

Towpath Improvements

Question No: 2015/0993

[Murad Qureshi](#)

The Environment Committee's report 'More or Less' (Mooring on London's Waterways) recommended that the Canal and River Trust should increase mooring supply. Could the Mayor urge TfL to stipulate that any future funding it provides to the Canal and Rivers Trust for towpath and related environment improvements should be conditional on a requirement to protect and improve mooring facilities?

Licence Lite (1)

Question No: 2015/0994

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many applications have you received to your recent tender for electricity generating capacity for your licence lite operation?

Licence Lite (2)

Question No: 2015/0995

[Murad Qureshi](#)

When will you announce which generators you will be working with?

Licence Lite (3)

Question No: 2015/0996

[Murad Qureshi](#)

When will you announce which third party licenced supplier has been appointed to support the GLA's license lite operation?

ULEZ (1)

Question No: 2015/0997

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Your response to MQ [2015/0667](#) states that "As part of my Ultra Low Emission Zone proposals all single deck buses in central London will have to be zero emission at tailpipe by 2020". How many double-decker buses operating in central London will be zero emission tailpipe by 2020?

ULEZ (2)

Question No: 2015/0998

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many zero emission tailpipe buses - both single and double-decker - are operating in London at present? What proportion of the total buses operating in London does this represent?

ULEZ (3)

Question No: 2015/0999

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What are the current costs of a standard diesel single decker bus, a hybrid electric-diesel single decker bus, a fully electric single decker bus, a gas-fuelled single decker bus and a fuel cell single decker bus?

ULEZ (4)

Question No: 2015/1000

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Your response to MQ [2015/0667](#) states that the number of fully electric single decker buses will "exceed 300 by 2020". What proportion of the single decker buses expected to be operating in central London in 2020 will this represent?

Garden Bridge (1)

Question No: 2015/1001

[Murad Qureshi](#)

During the planning stages of the Garden Bridge, were opportunities for the Bridge to generate energy from the River Thames explored?

Garden Bridge (2)

Question No: 2015/1002

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Your planning report on the Garden Bridge states that the development will be "a new iconic landmark for central London", yet your answers to MQ 2015/0673 and MQ 2015/0672 highlighted that your planning decisions on the Garden Bridge did not set out any significant sustainability requirements on the bridge relating to the materials that will be used. Why is this?

Community Energy

Question No: 2015/1003

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Can you update your work exploring options for community energy to be included in the next business plan for the London Green Fund?

Climate Adaptation

Question No: 2015/1004

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Can the Mayor provide an annual report on climate adaptation measures secured through London Plan planning policies, similar to that published each year on climate mitigation measures?

Environment Team Budget

Question No: 2015/1005

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What has been the GLA Environment Team's budget for each year of your Mayoralty, up to 2015/16?

Environment Team Projects

Question No: 2015/1006

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What are the Environment Team Projects for 2015-16?

London Energy Plan

Question No: 2015/1007

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Is there an external working group in place for your new London Energy Plan? If so, who sits on this group? When do you expect to publish this Plan?

MoU with Energy Suppliers

Question No: 2015/1008

[Murad Qureshi](#)

MQ 2013/2593 in July 2013 stated that your Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with energy suppliers would be made available to the Assembly by Autumn 2013. One year later, with the MoU still not published - in response to MQ 2014/2808 in July 2014 - you response that it would be "published shortly". After nearly a two year delay, can you now commit to publishing this MoU this month?

Environment Team Budgeting

Question No: 2015/1009

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Please provide a breakdown of the Environment Team's 2015/16 budget of £274,000.

RE:NEW (1)

Question No: 2015/1010

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Can you respond to MQ [2015/0300](#) on RE:NEW energy efficiency targets, which remains unanswered?

RE:NEW (2)

Question No: 2015/1011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

In response to MQ [2014/5806](#), which asked - "How many of the 200,000 homes visited by the Mayor's RE:NEW programme had children living within them?" - your response was "It is estimated that 34 per cent of homes visited by the Mayor's RE:NEW programme had children living within them." How was this estimate derived?

Consultation Responses (1)

Question No: 2015/1012

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Your February 2015 report to the Assembly states that "On 7 January, I responded to the Government's consultation on the proposed exemption for small sites from zero carbon standards". As yet, this response is not posted on the GLA website. You have previously committed to ensuring that your responses to Government consultations would be posted online in a timely manner. Can you ensure that this response is now made available on the GLA website and commit to all future Government consultations being posted on the GLA website within a week of submission?

Consultation Responses (2)

Question No: 2015/1013

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Has your response to the Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG) July 2014 Technical Consultation on Planning been posted on the GLA website?

Consultation Responses (3)

Question No: 2015/1014

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Have you responded to the Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG) recent consultation 'Display Energy Certificates: current regime and how it could be streamlined and improved'?

Consultation Responses (4)

Question No: 2015/1015

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Did you respond to the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) recent consultation on the Transferability of building-mounted solar PV installations - something of particular importance to London? If so, has this been posted on the GLA's website?

Decentralised Energy Projects

Question No: 2015/1016

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Please provide an update on the current status of all decentralised energy projects referenced on pages 16/17 of your Climate Change Mitigation and Energy Annual Report of March 2014.

'London First' report on Greenbelt housing

Question No: 2015/1017

[Navin Shah](#)

Do you agree with London First's report calling to review greenbelt rules to ease London's Housing crisis?

Lifts at Rayners Lane Station

Question No: 2015/1018

[Navin Shah](#)

A petition was presented last year for lifts at Rayners Lane station. There is a strong case for accessibility at this station. What prospects are there for the provision of lifts?

Housing Zones Funding for Harrow and Infrastructure Improvements:

Question No: 2015/1019

[Navin Shah](#)

I welcome the successful bid by Harrow Council for a big step up to deliver housing. Large scale development needs improved infrastructure. Can you confirm that you'd provide the necessary upfront funding to improve the transport hub at Harrow Town Centre - including step-free access at Harrow On The Hill Station; refurbishment of the station and redevelopment of the Bus Station?

Crossrail Spur to Tring: Wembley Central Station

Question No: 2015/1020

[Navin Shah](#)

I'm pleased to see you supporting the Crossrail extension to Tring and the service stopping at Harrow and Wealdstone Station. Can you confirm to me that your support the same service also stopping at Wembley Central station?

Brent Council's Living Wage Initiative

Question No: 2015/1021

[Navin Shah](#)

Do you support Brent Council's Living Wage initiative, the first Council in the country to introduce this, introducing a scheme offering business rate discounts as an incentive to pay Living Wage? Would you be prepared to promote this as a best practice example across London?

Banning of Paan Spitting

Question No: 2015/1022

[Navin Shah](#)

Are you supportive of Councils like Brent and Hillingdon who've banned paan spitting in their Boroughs? What have you done for similar controls in other areas of London to stop this disgusting and unhygienic habit?

Fear of Crime in Brent

Question No: 2015/1023

[Navin Shah](#)

At my recent meeting with Sudbury Town Resident Association, fear of crime was sighted particularly amongst senior citizens as a big area of concern due to significant loss of uniformed police presence. What are you doing to improve regular presence of dedicated uniformed officers in Wards like Sudbury?

London Overground Stations (1)

Question No: 2015/1024

[Navin Shah](#)

The metalwork of Stonebridge Park station is corroding under peeling paintwork. The station platforms at Harlesden station have rainwater leaking through holes in the roof, and the hanging metal signage at the northern ends is disfigured by lime deposits from such leaks.

When are you going to maintain all the London Overground stations in my constituency as well as you manage to do in wealthy areas?

London Overground Stations (2)

Question No: 2015/1025

[Navin Shah](#)

Please confirm that there are three separate litter waste streams, kept separate by you all the way from separate designated litter bins on stations, to recycling and residual waste disposal centres.

London Bridge Disruption

Question No: 2015/1026

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please give an update on discussions between Transport for London, Network Rail, Southern and the Department for Transport on how the ongoing and sustained problems with Southern services at London Bridge might be mitigated.

London Bridge Disruption 2

Question No: 2015/1027

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Have you met with ministers to discuss the disgraceful train services currently being provided to Southern passengers? If so, what was the outcome of the discussion? If not, when will you be doing so?

London Bridge Disruption 3

Question No: 2015/1028

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please give an update on TfL provided contingency services, including buses, to assist passengers affected by the disruption at London Bridge.

London Bridge Disruption 4

Question No: 2015/1029

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Would you offer the assistance of senior TfL officers to carry out a senior independent operations review of Southern rail services at London Bridge?

Adult Travelcard increases

Question No: 2015/1030

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Since last year the price of an adult one day off-peak travelcard from Zone 1-6 has increased by 35%, from £8.90 to £12. Please could you provide us with the total amount of off-peak one day Zone 1-6 travelcards that were sold in the year 2013/14?

Clarification of Off-peak refunds

Question No: 2015/1031

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

The Mayor claimed passengers who have incurred higher costs from January 2nd until April due to huge increases in off-peak PAYG fares from Zone 4-6 will be refunded for this period. Please could Transport for London clarify what date will passengers receive the refund for the incurred cost of the off-peak PAYG cap Zones 4-6 since January 2nd 2015?

Clarification of Off-peak refunds 2

Question No: 2015/1032

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please could Transport for London inform us of exactly how will passengers receive the refund for the period of January 2nd to April 2015? Will this be automatically refunded to their Oyster cards? Do they need to apply for a refund? Please could you clarify exactly how passengers will receive this refund?

Legal Advice for Uber Contract

Question No: 2015/1033

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please could TfL provide us with a copy of the legal advice which they sought when they granted Uber a licence to work in London?

Cost of Feasibility Studies for Ring Road Tunnel

Question No: 2015/1034

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

In response to Question No: 2015/0735 the Mayor claimed that feasibility studies would be conducted to get a better idea of funding for the 22 mile ring road tunnel endorsed by the Mayor earlier this year. What would the cost of this feasibility study be? Alternatively what is the cost budgeted for this study?

Bus stop accessibility

Question No: 2015/1035

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Currently - how many bus stops in London are considered to be inaccessible due to roadworks? For how long are each of these bus stops going to be inaccessible?

Bus stop accessibility 2

Question No: 2015/1036

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Where temporary bus stops have been put in place to allow for road works, what are the TfL conditions for the length a bus stop can move from its original place?

Bus stop accessibility 3

Question No: 2015/1037

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Where temporary bus stops have been put in place to allow for road works, how many recorded complaints have there been to TfL about accessibility of these bus stops in the last 2 years? How long have TfL taken to respond to these complaints and what was the result of each complaint? Does TfL provide contact details at temporary bus stops to receive comments and complaints?

Staff Departure from London Underground

Question No: 2015/1038

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

It is currently proposed that 897 staff roles will be cut from the London Underground. When exactly will staff begin to leave their roles and what is the date by which these staff deductions will have been completed?

Staff Numbers on London Underground

Question No: 2015/1039

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

How many station or staff, e.g. staff that are employed to provide assistance to customers at the station, were employed on the London Underground in the year 2012/13?

Staff Numbers on London Underground 2

Question No: 2015/1040

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

How many station or staff, e.g. staff that are employed to provide assistance to customers at the station, were employed in the year 2013/14?

Staff Numbers on London Underground 3

Question No: 2015/1041

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

How many station or staff, e.g. staff that are employed to provide assistance to customers at the station, are they expected to be in the year 2014/15?

Staff Numbers on London Underground 4

Question No: 2015/1042

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Of the 897 staff roles proposed to be cut - what number of these are full-time roles and what number of these are part-time roles? What are the full time equivalents?

Staff Numbers on London Underground 5

Question No: 2015/1043

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Of the 250 extra staff that will be brought in on the London Underground - how many of these are part-time roles and how many of these are full time roles? What are the FTEs?

Staff Numbers on London Underground 6

Question No: 2015/1044

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please could you provide the staffing numbers and FTEs on the London Underground for the year beginning January 2014 organised by role and by the number of those roles?

Staff Numbers on London Underground 7

Question No: 2015/1045

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please could you provide a forecast of expected staffing numbers and FTEs on the London Underground for the year beginning January 2015 organised by role and by the number of those roles?

Staff Numbers on London Underground 8

Question No: 2015/1046

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please could you provide the current staff numbers on the London Underground for the year 2014/15 organised by role and by the number of those roles? What are the FTEs.

Consultation for London Overground Proposals

Question No: 2015/1047

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please could you provide a list of the interest groups with which TfL and the Mayor consulted with before it was announced this month that the weekend 24 hour running would be extended to the Overground service by 2017?

Consultation for extension of Night Tube Proposals

Question No: 2015/1048

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please could you provide a list of the groups with which TfL and the Mayor consulted with before it was announced this month that the weekend 24 hour running of the tube would be extended to the District, Circle, Metropolitan and Hammersmith & City lines?

Bus Safety

Question No: 2015/1049

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

How many collisions have there been with a bus from the TfL bus fleet that have involved members of the public being killed or seriously injured in the last 2 years?

Bus Safety 2

Question No: 2015/1050

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What safety measures do TfL currently have in place to prevent incidents where pedestrians or cyclists are injured by collisions with TfL buses?

Bus Safety - Prosecution

Question No: 2015/1051

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What are the prosecution or penalty rates where there has been a collision with a bus from the TfL bus fleet that have involved members of the public being killed or seriously injured in the last 2 years? If this is dealt with by individual bus companies - why is this not dealt with by TfL?

Bus Safety - HGV vehicles

Question No: 2015/1052

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

HGV Lorries in London are to be fitted with equipment that will protect cyclists and pedestrians. Why have TfL not chosen to extend this to the bus fleet?

Bus Safety - Improving mirrors

Question No: 2015/1053

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

In particular will TfL commit to ensuring contractors who have tender agreements with TfL improve the size and capability of the outside mirrors on buses?

Junction of East Street and Old Kent Road

Question No: 2015/1054

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Local councillors are concerned about pedestrian safety at this junction and would like to see better pedestrian crossing facilities there. Please advise what progress TfL have made on this.

Public visits to closed Underground stations

Question No: 2015/1055

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

I understand that London Transport Museum is hoping to continue the success of their hugely popular occasional public tours of the closed underground station at Aldwych by seeking to do the same at other closed stations. Which former stations are being considered and how is this work progressing? I would support this initiative.

Night Tube Union Negotiations

Question No: 2015/1056

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

When did Transport for London begin consultations and negotiations with transport unions on the running of the Night Tube? If this was after the announcement of the Night Tube was made please could TfL explain why the Night Tube was announced before negotiations and consultations with unions began.

Cycle Hire in Rotherhithe

Question No: 2015/1057

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

I have been contacted by residents in Rotherhithe who are keen to see the cycle hire scheme expanded on Rotherhithe peninsula particularly near the riverfront as there currently are no cycle hire facilities in this vicinity. Please can this be considered?

Passenger accident at Clapham South

Question No: 2015/1058

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What extra safety measures are being put in place during the current period of intense overcrowding on the Northern Line, to ensure the safety of passengers in its small crowded stations? In particular is the current management and internal layout of the three small Victorian stations in Clapham being reviewed?

Passenger accident at Clapham South 2

Question No: 2015/1059

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What are the initial findings of Transport for London's investigations into the incident at Clapham South on 12th March 2015? When will the report be published?

National Sports Centre

Question No: 2015/1060

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

When will the GLA publish the results of the recent consultation on the future of the National Sports Centre in Crystal Palace Park? How will the local community be able to access this and how will they be involved in the next steps of work regarding the NSC?

Lea Valley Park Precept

Question No: 2015/1061

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Would you be supportive of any move to seek to amend the operation of the Lea Valley Precept, for example to allocate a portion of the monies raised to a strategically important south London park, such as Crystal Palace?

Crystal Palace Park Masterplan

Question No: 2015/1062

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What plans are there to review the Crystal Palace Park Masterplan, and what protection will be afforded to the Park through the planning process to ensure any future proposals for the park are compliant with the extant Crystal Palace Park Act and appropriate for nearby local communities?

Disposal of former fire stations

Question No: 2015/1063

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Are you planning on further interference in the future sales of former fire stations?

Hackbridge

Question No: 2015/1064

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Thank you for your answer 2015/0768. When will a signalised junction be approved by TfL for the crossing at the Felnex scheme, so that it can be delivered?

Old Oak Common - Quality of Infrastructure (1)

Question No: 2015/1065

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Following your answer to Question 2014/4024, have you achieved any success in demanding proper segregated cycle lanes on all modified sections of Old Oak Common Lane and Victoria Road?

Old Oak Common - Quality of Infrastructure (2)

Question No: 2015/1066

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Will you design and publish your own entirely speculative images, similar to those in your "Transforming Fiveways Croydon" consultation, to show your desired standards for these Old Oak Common roads, as opposed to the ones promoted by HS2 Ltd?

Old Oak Common - Quality of Infrastructure (3)

Question No: 2015/1067

[Fiona Twycross](#)

As a statement of reducing car use, will you promote a specification of one rather than two lanes of traffic each way for Old Oak Common Lane and Victoria Road, only widened to two at junctions and for right-turn lanes?

Old Oak Common - Quality of Infrastructure (4)

Question No: 2015/1068

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Do you agree that some of the spans of rail bridges over Old Oak Common Lane are too restricted to ever allow segregated cycle lanes? Have you therefore opposed HS2 Ltd. plans to merely reuse of the existing brick abutments, and not build new ones further apart?

Old Oak Common - Quality of Infrastructure (5)

Question No: 2015/1069

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Do you oppose new sub-standard embankment tunnels for pedestrians and cyclists at the Victoria Road Dudding Hill line rail bridge?

Old Oak Common - Quality of Infrastructure (6)

Question No: 2015/1070

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Do you support provision for future 8-car London Overground platforms on the Dudding Hill Line, south of Victoria Road?

Old Oak Common - Quality of Infrastructure (7)

Question No: 2015/1071

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Do you support the slewing of the Dudding Hill Line away from Midland Terrace housing (also bringing obvious noise and vibration relief to residents) and a completely new, much-wider-span bridge over Victoria Road, a few metres to the west? Or would you prefer to CPO that housing instead?

Old Oak Common - Quality of Infrastructure (8)

Question No: 2015/1072

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Will you include provision for access to platforms on the Dudding Hill Line tracks, in the new London Overground station on the North London line?

Old Oak Common - Quality of Infrastructure (9)

Question No: 2015/1073

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Will you widen the station tunnel sufficiently, so that passenger interchange between the North London Line and the Dudding Hill Line could happen inside the gate line?

Old Oak Common - Quality of Infrastructure (10)

Question No: 2015/1074

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Have you decided yet if you will abandon a London Overground station entrance in Midland Terrace?

Old Oak Common - Quality of Infrastructure (11)

Question No: 2015/1075

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Do you have any views about future London Overground trains being able to terminate at Acton Main Line Crossrail station, using the existing, unused platform there?

Old Oak Common - Quality of Infrastructure (12)

Question No: 2015/1076

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Do you think that a new link road will be built from the Park Royal underpass on the North Circular Road to the Old Oak Common Lane and Victoria Road crossroads, to allow HS2 and Old Oak construction traffic to avoid the congested A404 Harrow Road through Harlesden?

Pay

Question No: 2015/1089

[Fiona Twycross](#)

In light of the recent £5.1 billion deal for Premier League television rights, a figure likely to rise to £8 billion once overseas television rights are factored in, how has the Mayor stepped up his engagement with Premier League football clubs in order to ensure they follow the lead of Chelsea FC and pay all staff the London Living Wage?

Childcare

Question No: 2015/1090

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Please provide the notes from the meeting referred to in response to question 2015/0746.

Fiscal policy

Question No: 2015/1091

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Given your responsibilities for economic development and equality, are you concerned by the findings of the recent joint report, 'Social Policy in a Cold Climate', which found that the Government's tax and spend policies have had a "regressive" impact by redistributing money towards higher earners whilst reducing the incomes of the poorest households? Will you ask GLA Economics to explore this in more detail so that the impact in London can be assessed in more detail?

Apprenticeship starts figure in your first term

Question No: 2015/1092

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Can you provide me with a breakdown of apprenticeship starts in your first term, by quarter, per academic year?

LLDC apprenticeship legacy (1)

Question No: 2015/1093

[Fiona Twycross](#)

How many apprenticeships have been created so far under the London Legacy Development Corporation (LLDC)? Can you provide the break down by year?

LLDC apprenticeship legacy (2)

Question No: 2015/1094

[Fiona Twycross](#)

How many apprentices at the LLDC are from the local boroughs? Can you provide a breakdown by local authority? Can I also have this as a percentage?

LLDC apprenticeship legacy (3)

Question No: 2015/1095

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Can you provide a breakdown of apprenticeship starts at the LLDC by gender, age, disability and ethnic background?

LLDC apprenticeship legacy (4)

Question No: 2015/1096

[Fiona Twycross](#)

How many apprentices working on the LLDC have completed their apprenticeship course? How many of these have obtained employment at the LLDC?

LLDC apprenticeship legacy (5)

Question No: 2015/1097

[Fiona Twycross](#)

What lessons have been learned from the LLDC apprenticeship scheme so far? Can this be improved upon?

Head Start

Question No: 2015/1098

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Further to MQ 2015/0753, have any young people on the Head Start programme that have wanted full-time employment, been successful in obtaining it?

National Apprenticeships Week 2015 (1)

Question No: 2015/1099

[Fiona Twycross](#)

What action have you taken to promote National Apprenticeships Week 2015 in London?

National Apprenticeships Week 2015 (2)

Question No: 2015/1100

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Will you be evaluating the action taken to promote National Apprenticeships Week 2015 in London to see whether it has encouraged apprenticeship participation and awareness compared to previous years, and to see if more can be done to promote apprenticeships?

Ed Vaizey comments on Broadband

Question No: 2015/1101

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Do you agree with the comments of the Minister responsible for Broadband, Ed Vaizey, that claims stating the capital city's broadband is worse than many of its European counterparts are "nonsense"?

The LEP and lobbying

Question No: 2015/1102

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Can you confirm if the LEP has employed lobbyists in bids to secure more investment?

Digital Champions (1)

Question No: 2015/1103

[Fiona Twycross](#)

What targets have you set for the numbers of digital champions you intend to recruit?

Digital Champions (2)

Question No: 2015/1104

[Fiona Twycross](#)

How will you measure the success of this project?

Trade links with Kurdistan (1)

Question No: 2015/1105

[Fiona Twycross](#)

How many business contacts were made during your recent trip?

Trade links with Kurdistan (2)

Question No: 2015/1106

[Fiona Twycross](#)

How many business representatives accompanied you on this trip?

Trade links with Kurdistan (3)

Question No: 2015/1107

[Fiona Twycross](#)

What support did UKTI or London and Partners provide to this trip?

Trade links with Kurdistan (4)

Question No: 2015/1108

[Fiona Twycross](#)

What was the total cost of your recent trip?

Trade links with Kurdistan (5)

Question No: 2015/1109

[Fiona Twycross](#)

How many GLA officers accompanied you on this trip, what was their role?

Trade links with Kurdistan (6)

Question No: 2015/1110

[Fiona Twycross](#)

What is the methodology you used to assess the success of this trip in terms of investment secured for London balanced by costs incurred?

The LEP and the Third Sector

Question No: 2015/1111

[Fiona Twycross](#)

Are there any representatives from the third sector represented on the London Enterprise Panel?

The Third Sector

Question No: 2015/1112

[Fiona Twycross](#)

What policies have you enacted to support this sector since becoming Mayor?

Co-operatives

Question No: 2015/1113

[Fiona Twycross](#)

What action have you taken to support co-operatives in London since your election?

191 bus route (1)

Question No: 2015/1114

[Joanne McCartney](#)

I have received complaints about the poor service passengers experience on the 191 bus route which passengers often have to wait long periods for the next bus to arrive. Buses not arriving as scheduled particularly affect disabled and elderly passengers who may have difficulty in waiting at a bus stop. Will you conduct a review into this service and take actions to improve the service for commuters?

Lack of top up facilities in northern Enfield

Question No: 2015/1115

[Joanne McCartney](#)

I have received concerns from local residents about the lack of oyster top up shops in the Caterhatch area in Enfield, with a walk of over half a mile to top up your oyster card if you are out of credit, particularly difficult for disabled or elderly people. What action will you take to introduce more oyster top up facilities in this area? How have you ensured that there are an adequate number of oyster top up facilities in London with the introduction of cashless buses, so that passengers do not struggle or travel a long way to top up their oyster card?

Refuse collection in the capital follow up

Question No: 2015/1116

[Nicky Gavron](#)

In response to Question 2014/3348 from September 2014, you wrote "my officers will pass on a copy of your question and my answer to the City of Westminster and London Borough of Camden." Have you since received a response from either council?

Vitality Half-Marathon

Question No: 2015/1117

[Andrew Dismore](#)

Was TfL consulted about the Vitality Half Marathon on 15 March in Brent and Barnet; if so what assessment was made of the impact on traffic and the risk of widespread gridlock which in fact occurred; and who authorised the closure of large parts of the A5?

National Sports Centre

Question No: 2015/1118

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What assurances can you give to those sports clubs in South East London who currently use the NSC at Crystal Palace for training - including clubs for young people and amateur clubs - that their needs in terms of facilities and transport will be taken into account when decisions are made about the future of the centre?

New £1.8 million apprenticeships scheme (1)

Question No: 2015/1119

[Stephen Knight](#)

Who are the 'specialist recruitment and training providers' the GLA will be partnering with to provide the 3500 extra apprenticeships (as referred to in the 30th Mayor's report)?

New £1.8 million apprenticeships scheme (2)

Question No: 2015/1120

[Stephen Knight](#)

How exactly will the £1.8 million apprenticeships funding be spent (as referred to in the 30th Mayor's report)? Will it for example take the form of grants, or marketing, etc.?

New £1.8 million apprenticeships scheme (3)

Question No: 2015/1121

[Stephen Knight](#)

Does the £1.8 million apprenticeships funding (as referred to in the 30th Mayor's report) have targets depending on age, sector or level of apprenticeship?

Export Programme eligibility

Question No: 2015/1122

[Stephen Knight](#)

Are there any barriers which may prevent an SME from joining your Export Programme?

Trade delegation to Israel

Question No: 2015/1123

[Stephen Knight](#)

When will you be leading your trade delegation to Israel?

Living Wage Foundation resources

Question No: 2015/1124

[Stephen Knight](#)

Following your answer to question 2015/0551 what exactly are your "agreed resourcing arrangements with the Living Wage Foundation"?

London and Partners

Question No: 2015/1125

[Stephen Knight](#)

Following your answer to question 2015/0556, how exactly will you support L&P "to effectively raise more private sector finance and support for its marketing efforts...to achieve parity with its GLA grant by 2017."?

London Curriculum

Question No: 2015/1126

[Stephen Knight](#)

What evidence do you have that the London Curriculum is actually being used in classrooms?

The LEP and external consultants

Question No: 2015/1127

[Stephen Knight](#)

Does the LEP spend any money on external consultants?

Housing Programme - reallocations

Question No: 2015/1128

[Stephen Knight](#)

How much funding has been reallocated from the 2011-15 housing investment programme to date?

Right to Buy in London

Question No: 2015/1129

[Stephen Knight](#)

How many new social rented homes have been started in London to replace those being sold to council tenants since the maximum discount offered to buyers was increased to £100,000 on 25 March 2013?

Housing supply and demand

Question No: 2015/1130

[Stephen Knight](#)

Do you accept that the mismatch between housing supply and demand in London has grown over the last six years?

Affordable housing - planning use class

Question No: 2015/1132

[Stephen Knight](#)

Would you support the introduction of an entirely separate planning use class for affordable housing in London in order to reflect the huge need for more affordable homes across the city and to ensure that land values better reflect wider social and economic priorities?

Money laundering in the housing market

Question No: 2015/1133

[Stephen Knight](#)

How many homes have been confiscated, and how many have had their ownership investigated by the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS) Proceeds of Corruption Unit (POCU) since 2008? Please provide a breakdown by year, including the total value of assets under investigation if known.

Planning - viability assessments

Question No: 2015/1134

[Stephen Knight](#)

Following widespread reports that councils are being 'bamboozled' by viability issues and failing to secure sufficient affordable homes from developers, is it time to commission a review of the viability assessment process and how it might be improved?

Planning - impact of Mayoral CIL on affordable homes

Question No: 2015/1135

[Stephen Knight](#)

What is your assessment of the impact of the Mayoral Community Infrastructure Levy on the number of new affordable homes that have been negotiated through Section 106 agreements since its introduction on 1st April 2012?

Garden Bridge (1)

Question No: 2015/1136

[Stephen Knight](#)

How does your statement that "the maintenance cost [of the Garden Bridge] will not be borne by the public sector" (made on LBC radio on 3rd March 2015) square with the details included in a recent letter sent by the GLA's Director of Development, Enterprise and Environment, in which she stated that "the mayor has agreed in principle to provide such a guarantee"?

Garden Bridge (2)

Question No: 2015/1137

[Stephen Knight](#)

For the record, can you confirm that the Greater London Authority will be liable for the Garden Bridge's annual £3.5m maintenance bill in perpetuity?

Financial benefits of Northern Line Extension

Question No: 2015/1138

[Stephen Knight](#)

Further to the most recent economic appraisal of the benefits of the Northern Line Extension (NLE) - which found that for every £1 of cost, there will be £8.20 of benefits - how will you ensure that the Greater London Authority and local authorities capture a fair share of the financial benefits generated?

London's falling recycling rate

Question No: 2015/1139

[Stephen Knight](#)

To what extent is the range of different waste collection methods currently used across London responsible for the city's falling recycling rate? What, if any, plans do you have to encourage boroughs to work more closely together in order to achieve a 50 per cent recycling rate by 2020?

Monitoring London's biodiversity

Question No: 2015/1140

[Stephen Knight](#)

Is there a role for the Greater London Authority to review or ratify new sites or changes to

wildlife sites, Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINCs) and Metropolitan Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (MSINCs)?

New Bus for London (1)

Question No: 2015/1141

[Stephen Knight](#)

Further to reports of faults with the battery on some of the New Routemasters, how many vehicles have so far been checked, and how many batteries have been replaced?

New Bus for London (2)

Question No: 2015/1142

[Stephen Knight](#)

What would be the cost of upgrading the battery pack used in the New Routemaster vehicle outside the warranty period?

London Marathon

Question No: 2015/1145

[Andrew Boff](#)

Do you share my concern at reports that the 2016 London Marathon may be staged on the same day as a Jewish festival, preventing many Jewish people and charities from participating? Would you use any influence you have with Marathon organisers to ask them to reconsider this date?

Homelessness Fund

Question No: 2015/1146

[Andrew Boff](#)

How will your new £30m fund help to prevent and tackle homelessness in London?

Stalkers Using Technology

Question No: 2015/1147

[Andrew Boff](#)

Domestic violence experts have warned that the use of specialist technology that enables abusers to stalk victims online and via mobile phones is growing at an alarming rate. Do the Metropolitan Police Service log each occasion when a criminal act involves the use of new technology and if not, will you lobby them to do so in order to help establish the scale of technology use in stalking?

HS2

Question No: 2015/1149

[Gareth Bacon](#)

The answer prepared by your officials to my question 2014/5146 avoided answering the question. For the avoidance of doubt please tell me if, in your opinion, HS2 could go ahead if the next Mayor of London was opposed to it being built?

Street Trees

Question No: 2015/1150

[James Cleverly](#)

What are the environmental benefits of the 20,000 street trees that have been planted since you became Mayor?

London Bridge

Question No: 2015/1152

[Richard Tracey](#)

Do you agree that the recent chaos suffered by Londoners at London Bridge further emphasises why TfL should be given responsibility for London's mainline rail?

Crossrail 2 (1)

Question No: 2015/1153

[Richard Tracey](#)

Will the safeguarding of the route for Crossrail 2 be completed before the General Election?

Crossrail 2 (2)

Question No: 2015/1154

[Richard Tracey](#)

When will the Crossrail 2 route be completely finalised?

Future of London Buses

Question No: 2015/1155

[Richard Tracey](#)

Do you think that electric buses or hydrogen buses represent a more viable future for London's public transport?

Parking charges for diesel cars

Question No: 2015/1156

[Richard Tracey](#)

Islington Council has announced that it will charge £100 to diesel cars owners who park their cars outside of their homes. Does the Mayor believe that this is punitive and will he ensure that diesel drivers are not singled-out for unfair treatment as part of GLA environmental policy?

Battersea Arts Centre fire

Question No: 2015/1157

[Richard Tracey](#)

Will the Mayor offer his regrets for the recent devastating fire that has severely damaged Battersea Arts Centre and inform us as to what, if anything, is being done to help restore this historic building, and protect similar institutions across London from similar tragedies?

Vulnerable people in custody (1)

Question No: 2015/1158

[Roger Evans](#)

Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary has raised concerns about the number of vulnerable children who are locked in police cells as a substitute for social and health care. What steps are you, MOPAC and the Metropolitan Police Service taking to reduce the number of vulnerable children who end up in police custody?

Vulnerable people in custody (2)

Question No: 2015/1159

[Roger Evans](#)

Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary has raised concerns about the number of vulnerable pensioners who are locked in police cells, especially when care home staff are unable to cope with their behaviour. What steps are you, MOPAC and the Metropolitan Police Service taking to reduce the number of vulnerable pensioners who end up in police custody?

Prevent strategy

Question No: 2015/1160

[Roger Evans](#)

Former Metropolitan Police Service Chief Superintendent, Dal Babu, has suggested that the Prevent strategy has a "toxic" public image and is proving to be ineffective. What steps are you, MOPAC and the Metropolitan Police Service taking in order to calm concerns about the Prevent strategy and ensure it effectively protects Londoners?

Emergency services' workers mental health

Question No: 2015/1161

[Roger Evans](#)

An online survey conducted by Mind recently found that 87 per cent of emergency service employees had experienced stress, low mood and poor mental health while working. What programmes are in place to protect the mental health of emergency services' staff in London?

British police patrols in the Balearics

Question No: 2015/1162

[Roger Evans](#)

It has been reported that the Guardia Civil in the Balearics have invited British police forces to patrol in holiday destinations such as Magaluf and Ibiza in order to prevent disorder by holidaymakers. What conversations have you, MOPAC and the Metropolitan Police Service had with the Guardia Civil with regards to officers being based abroad during the summer in order to police British holidaymakers?

Shotgun certificates issued to children

Question No: 2015/1164

[Roger Evans](#)

Recent reports have disclosed that across England and Wales children as young as eight have been issued with shotgun licences. How many shotgun licences have been issued in the last two years in London, and how many of these have been issued to individuals under the age of 18?

Cyber-Crime Regulations

Question No: 2015/1165

[Roger Evans](#)

The Head of Economic Crime at the City of London Police, Dave Clark, recently stated that cyber-fraud reporting is being restricted by Home Office regulations, which currently do not recognise credit card fraud as a crime if victims have been reimbursed by their bank. Do you feel that this current restriction is getting in the way of establishing the true scale of online cyber fraud and if so, will you lobby the Home Office to adapt their regulations accordingly?

Body Worn Camera Footage Storage (1)

Question No: 2015/1166

[Roger Evans](#)

How does the Metropolitan Police Service archive footage obtained by a body worn camera?

Body Worn Camera Footage Storage (2)

Question No: 2015/1167

[Roger Evans](#)

Have the Metropolitan Police Service considered storing footage obtained through body worn cameras in a secure, cloud-based system as has been done in some police forces in the United States of America?

Vulnerable people in custody (3)

Question No: 2015/1168

[Roger Evans](#)

Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary has raised concerns about the number of vulnerable children and adults who are locked in police cells as a substitute for social and health care. Could you inform me how many children and adults, broken down separately, were detained in the custody of the Metropolitan Police Service in the last two available years?

Two wheels on

Question No: 2015/1169

[Steve O'Connell](#)

Some residents in Croydon are frustrated at being refused permission to park two wheels of their vehicles on the pavement, due to strict enforcement by local boroughs of the legislation laid down by the "Greater London Council (General Powers) 1974 Act as amended".

Although it clearly wouldn't be suitable for pavements with a heavy volume of pedestrian traffic to permit this, would you encourage the local London boroughs to be more lenient and to consider requests on an individual basis?

Croydon Junction Safety

Question No: 2015/1171

[Steve O'Connell](#)

Croydon recorded the highest number of road deaths in London between 2010 and 2013. Have junctions in Croydon been included into your 100 Better Junctions list and if not, what measures are you and TfL taking to identify the most dangerous places for all road users in Croydon?

The Davies Commission

Question No: 2015/1172

[Steve O'Connell](#)

If The Davies Commission recommends the expansion of Heathrow, what steps will you take to ensure the Government ignores the Commission's advice?

Pedestrian Countdown Timers (1)

Question No: 2015/1173

[Steve O'Connell](#)

How many crossings in London are fitted with Pedestrian Countdown timers?

Pedestrian Countdown Timers (2)

Question No: 2015/1174

[Steve O'Connell](#)

What plans are there to increase the number of Pedestrian Countdown timers on London's crossings?

Absconded registered sex offenders

Question No: 2015/1175

[Tony Arbour](#)

Figures show that the whereabouts of 167 registered sex offenders in London are unknown. What work is the Metropolitan Police Service undertaking to find them?

Voluntary severance

Question No: 2015/1176

[Tony Arbour](#)

What assessments have you, MOPAC and the Metropolitan Police Service made of Durham Constabulary voluntary severance scheme, and would such a scheme be considered in London?

Out-of-court disposals

Question No: 2015/1177

[Tony Arbour](#)

The Home Affairs Select Committee has recently suggested that out-of-court disposals are being used inappropriately in up to 30 per cent of cases, with too many serial offenders not being given strong enough punishments. What steps are you, MOPAC and the Metropolitan Police Service taking to ensure that out-of-court disposals are only used when they are most appropriate?

Police Information Notices

Question No: 2015/1178

[Tony Arbour](#)

The Home Affairs Select Committee has recently raised concerns about the inappropriate use of Police Information Notices. In the last three years, how many Police Information Notices have been issued by the Metropolitan Police Service and how is their use monitored?

Police Disapproved Register

Question No: 2015/1179

[Tony Arbour](#)

The College of Policing has recently released the number of police officers who have been placed on its Disapproved Register and the reasons for their inclusion. How many Metropolitan Police Service officers have been added to the register in the last year, and why were they added?

National Police Chiefs' Council

Question No: 2015/1180

[Tony Arbour](#)

At the beginning of the new financial year the National Police Chiefs' Council will replace the Association of Chief Police Officers. What amount of funding will MOPAC and the Metropolitan Police Service be providing for the new body and will senior officers be taking roles within the new organisation - if so, which policing business areas will they be responsible for?

Private CCTV

Question No: 2015/1181

[Tony Arbour](#)

The Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, Sir Bernard Hogan-Howe has recently suggested that an increase in private CCTV cameras would aid police in solving crime. Currently domestic CCTV is unregulated, and civil liberties organisations have raised concerns about an increase in privately owned CCTV being encouraged. How effective is London's current private CCTV network in assisting the police solve crime, and what expected results would there be from an increase in its use?