Questions to the Mayor Mayor's Question Time, 21 May 2015

PRIORITY ORDER PAPER

Report No: 4

Subject: Questions to the Mayor

Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat

Supreme Court Judgement against the UK government over breaches of EU air pollution limits

Question No: 2015/1498

Jenny Jones

In light of the recent Supreme Court judgement, will you bring forward plans to make the whole of London compliant with air pollution limits by 2020 at the latest?

'Right to buy' for housing association tenants in London Question No: 2015/1210

Stephen Knight

Do you still have serious concerns about the impact of extending so-called 'right-to-buy' legislation to housing association tenants in London?

Standing up for Londoners

Question No: 2015/1255

Len Duvall

How do you intend to stand up for Londoners against the worst excesses of this Government if you are serving in the Prime Minister's inner circle?

Devolution for London Question No: 2015/1464

Gareth Bacon

In light of your invitation to attend political Cabinet, will you now push for full fiscal devolution to London.

Strike Reform

Question No: 2015/1476

Richard Tracey

In light of your invitation to attend political Cabinet, will you now push for a ban on transport strikes in London and the introduction of binding arbitration?

Right to Buy

Question No: 2015/1256

Tom Copley

Do you support extending Right to Buy to Housing Association Properties in London?

'Future proof' - Taxi and private Hire Services in London

Question No: 2015/1257

Valerie Shawcross

Did TfL seek legal advice before deciding to licence 'Uber' in 2012? The information supplied to the Transport Committee following up the 'Future Proof' Report suggests that TfL did not seek legal advice until 2014, is this correct?

Outer London small business premises

Question No: 2015/1258

Nicky Gavron

Why have offices in outer London been harder hit by permitted development rights than in other parts of the country?

Elections in Tower Hamlets

Question No: 2015/1488

Tony Arbour

With a judge declaring that Lutfur Rahman had "driven a coach and horses through local authority law" and finding him guilty of overseeing corrupt and illegal practices - why did the Metropolitan Police Service ignore repeated complaints about the situation in Tower Hamlets? Also, what steps are you taking to assist the local authority in ensuring the upcoming by-election is entirely free and fair?

24 hour tube service Ouestion No: 2015/1259

Joanne McCartney

What action will you take to ensure the safety of LUL staff, particularly in the outer London boroughs, when the tubes run for 24 hours a day at weekends in September?

Commercial potential of tube ticket offices **Question No: 2015/1462**

Andrew Boff

Has TfL carried out any audits of the commercial value of the closed ticket office space across London's tube stations?

Devolution of rail services

Question No: 2015/1238

Caroline Pidgeon

What discussions have you had with the Department for Transport on the further devolution of suburban rail services to Transport for London?

Public order police officers and Body-worn video cameras Question No: 2015/1482

Roger Evans

Recent anti-democratic protests in central London resulted in four police officers and a member of police staff being injured, and a war memorial being vandalized. Research has shown that the use of body-worn video cameras often calms difficult situations and provides valuable evidence. Would you therefore support calls for all Metropolitan police officers engaged in public order policing to be issued with body-worn video cameras?

Crossrail

Question No: 2015/1472

Richard Tracey

What progress has been made with Crossrail 2 planning and what scope is there to move the start time forward?

Social security

Question No: 2015/1260

Tom Copley

Has your pledge in October 2010 that "on my watch you are not going to see, thousands of families being evicted from the place they have been living and where they have put down roots" been honoured?

Carlton Tavern

Question No: 2015/1486

Steve O'Connell

Do you welcome Westminster Council's enforcement action against the demolition of this public house, and will you do everything you can to support this and any similar actions, using your new London Plan policies?

154 Bus Route

Question No: 2015/1487

Steve O'Connell

Will the Mayor instruct TfL to extend the operating hours of the 154 bus route so that it runs for 24 hours a day?

Toxic London

Question No: 2015/1261

Murad Qureshi

Will you join me in congratulating Client Earth for their outstanding victory in the Supreme Court last month and now commit to establish a bigger and better Ultra-Low Emission Zone?

London Health Inequalities Strategy

Question No: 2015/1262

Onkar Sahota

Reducing health inequalities is your statutory duty. An up to date health inequalities strategy is a key pillar in reducing health inequalities across London. Are you happy with constant delay in publishing your 'refreshed' Health inequalities Strategy?

London Land Commission

Question No: 2015/1457

Andrew Boff

What plans do you have to audit and develop public sector land through the London Land Commission?

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

Increases in Violent Crime

Question No: 2015/1263

Joanne McCartney

Violent crime is still increasing in London. What further action is now needed to tackle this persistent problem?

Mayoral Directions **Question No: 2015/1264**

Fiona Twycross

Why do you think it is appropriate to interfere in the day to day work of LFEPA by issuing Mayoral Directions?

Selling off housing association homes

Question No: 2015/1499

Darren Johnson

How will the proposed Right to Buy for housing association tenants affect your affordable housing programmes?

Crossrail Spur to Tring Question No: 2015/1267

Navin Shah

What is your position on the proposed extension of Crossrail Spur to Tring?

London Living Wage Question No: 2015/1266

Fiona Twycross

Now you are in your last year as Mayor, how will you focus on increasing adoption of the London Living Wage within low wage sectors?

Devolution

Question No: 2015/1265

Len Duvall

The gains you have made so far in your push for further devolution to London have been described by Sir Edward Lister as 'rather low-hanging fruit'. What gains are you hoping to make from the new government in terms of devolution for London in your last year as Mayor?

Questions not asked during Mayor's Question Time will be given a written response by Tuesday, 26 May 2015.

QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

Cyber-crime

Question No: 2015/1183

Caroline Pidgeon

Further to MQ 2014/1751 and the publication of your Business Crime Strategy, when will you be publishing cyber-crime figures on the London Datastore?

Correspondence in response to MQs (1)

Question No: 2015/1184

Caroline Pidgeon

In response to MQs 2015/005, 2015/0446, 2015/0901, 2015/0902, 2015/0903, 2015/0903, 2015/0904, 2015/0905 MOPAC's Chief Operating Officer wrote to me personally. Will you publish these letters to the london.gov.uk website as a matter of public record?

Correspondence in response to MQs (2)

Question No: 2015/1185

Caroline Pidgeon

MQs are supposed to be a matter of public record. For the sake of transparency will you publish any correspondence that is sent directly to an Assembly Member in response to an MQ to the london.gov.uk website?

Borough Knife Crime Action Plans

Question No: 2015/1186

Caroline Pidgeon

Further to MQ 2015/005 could you provide me with details of the Knife Crime Action Plan each Borough has implemented in the last twelve months. Please provide details of how these plans have been or haven't been working effectively in each borough.

MPS CSE awareness raising package

Question No: 2015/1187

Caroline Pidgeon

The programme of awareness raising of Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) for Territorial Policing was being rolled out as part of the MPS's Professional Development Day structure at borough level. Has this training package now been delivered to all boroughs?

Mis-fuelling MPS patrol cars

Question No: 2015/1188

Caroline Pidgeon

In the last four years there have been 670 incidents of mis-fuelling patrol cars that have cost the MPS £212,456. What steps are being taken to illuminate these mistakes that Londoners are paying for?

New approach to suspects on scooters/bikes Question No: 2015/1189

Caroline Pidgeon

Given the tragic death of Henry Hicks in Islington last year what new approach is the MPS considering when apprehending suspects who are riding bikes/mopeds/scooters/motor bikes?

Officers misuse of warrant cards

Question No: 2015/1190

Caroline Pidgeon

The MPS freedom of information log reveals 58 accusations of MPS Officers misusing their warrant cards for personal gain. Aside from any disciplinary action taking place what work are you doing to make sure this behaviour is stamped out in the force?

ASL Enforcement

Question No: 2015/1191

Caroline Pidgeon

What efforts have you made to improve enforcement to prevent drivers and motorcyclists entering the ASL area at traffic lights?

Car parking on Cycle Superhighways

Question No: 2015/1192

Caroline Pidgeon

Vehicles park on many stretches of the existing Cycle Superhighways - for example, along much of CS7 in Clapham and Balham. This forces cyclists to risk passing open car doors and to move in and out of traffic. What measures have you taken, and will you take, to prevent vehicles parking on Cycle Superhighways?

Cycle Superhighway maintenance (1)

Question No: 2015/1193

Caroline Pidgeon

I have received many complaints that several existing Cycle Superhighways have deteriorated to such an extent that they have become hazardous to cycle on; CS8 between Chelsea Bridge and Queen's Circus has been particularly highlighted. What measures has TfL taken to review the condition of the Cycle Superhighways?

Cycle Superhighway maintenance (2)

Question No: 2015/1194

Caroline Pidgeon

How much has TfL spent to date on maintaining the existing Cycle Superhighways?

Cycle Superhighway maintenance (3)

Question No: 2015/1195

Caroline Pidgeon

What lessons has TfL learnt from the materials used to construct the existing Cycle Superhighways, and what changes have been made to ensure upcoming Cycle Superhighways will last longer?

20mph speed limit enforcement (1)

Question No: 2015/1196

Caroline Pidgeon

While I warmly welcome TfL's introduction of trial 20mph zones, in other areas they have been poorly enforced. What extra measures has TfL taken to ensure the new limits will be properly enforced?

20mph speed limit enforcement (2)

Question No: 2015/1197

Caroline Pidgeon

Has TfL looked into the introduction of interactive speed signs which inform the motorist of the speed they are travelling, to help enforce the new 20mph zones?

Twickenham - Petersham Bridge

Question No: 2015/1198

Caroline Pidgeon

I have been contacted by a constituent who believes a pedestrian/cycle bridge between Twickenham and Petersham, south of Eel Pie Island, would provide better access to Richmond Park for Twickenham residents, while connecting Petersham residents with Twickenham town centre. What consideration has been given to a bridge in this area?

Tramlink - cycles Question No: 2015/1199

Caroline Pidgeon

What consideration has been given to allowing cycles to be carried on Tramlink services during off-peak hours?

Air Quality - Supreme Court Judgement Ouestion No: 2015/1200

Stephen Knight

What is your response to the unanimous order from the Supreme Court that the government must submit new air quality plans to the European Commission (no later than 31 December 2015) for areas such as London, where legal limits for the level of nitrogen dioxide in the air have been exceeded?

Air quality on the Tube - update

Question No: 2015/1201

Stephen Knight

Are you planning to measure the level of dust on the London Underground in 2015/16? If so, when do you expect to publish the results?

Green energy for the Tube

Question No: 2015/1202

Stephen Knight

What percentage of London Underground's energy supply came from renewable sources in 2014/15

Cleaner Air for Schools programme

Question No: 2015/1203

Stephen Knight

How much GLA funding was allocated to support the 'Cleaner Air 4 Schools' programme in 2014/15, and how much (if any) has been allocated for 2015/16?

TfL - Trees in London (1)

Question No: 2015/1204

Stephen Knight

Since 2011, how many trees has Transport for London (TfL) removed from the streets of London due to maintenance or other work (e.g. safety concerns, natural causes, self-set trees in the wrong location, 3rd party claims, GLA Group schemes, developer requests)? Please provide figures broken down by financial year and reason for felling.

TfL - Trees in London (2)

Question No: 2015/1205

Stephen Knight

Since 2011, how many trees has Transport for London (TfL) planted on the streets of London? Please provide figures broken down by financial year and type of planting (i.e. additional or replacement).

Trafalgar Square - Hawk Costs

Question No: 2015/1206

Stephen Knight

How much has been spent per year, since 2011, on hawks to control pigeon numbers in Trafalgar Square? Please provide figures broken down by financial year.

Mayoral Planning Decisions

Question No: 2015/1207

Stephen Knight

How many planning applications of 'potential strategic importance' were referred to the Mayor in 2014/15

Planning - financial viability assessments

Question No: 2015/1208

Stephen Knight

How many independent viability assessments were commissioned by the GLA's Planning Unit in 2014/15?

New homes on GLA Land Question No: 2015/1209

Stephen Knight

Further to MQ2014/2320, can you confirm how many homes were built on GLA land in 2014/15?

Housing Moves

Question No: 2015/1211

Stephen Knight

Further to MQ2014/2325, how many social tenants have moved through your 'Housing Moves' mobility scheme in 2014/15?

Seaside and Country Homes scheme

Question No: 2015/1212

Stephen Knight

How many homes were made available to households through the Seaside and Country Homes scheme in 2014/15? Please also list the number of applications made during this period.

GLA Land & Property Ltd - revenue raising

Question No: 2015/1213

Stephen Knight

How much revenue was raised from GLA Land & Property Ltd's estate in 2014/15?

Disposal of Southwark Fire Station site

Question No: 2015/1214

Stephen Knight

Further to your Mayoral Direction of 27 April 2015, will you help LFEPA to ensure that no items of historic importance to the London Fire Brigade are lost or sold as a result of the disposal of the former fire station site in Southwark?

London and Partners Question No: 2015/1215

Stephen Knight

Can you confirm whether the GLA's grant agreement with London and Partners has now been revised? If so, what steps have been taken to improve transparency and accountability?

TfL revenue from Associated Newspapers Ltd Question No: 2015/1216

Stephen Knight

How much revenue was generated through TfL's contract with Associated Newspapers Limited - which permits the distribution of free Metro newspapers on TfL property - in 2014/15?

GLA - Sponsorship Question No: 2015/1217

Stephen Knight

What was the total amount of private sponsorship raised by the Greater London Authority (GLA) in 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15 respectively?

Internships Research Responsibility

Question No: 2015/1218

Stephen Knight

Following your response to MQ 2015/0555, who in your team will be responsible for the research into internships, or is it something you will ultimately be taking responsibility for in the absence of a Deputy Mayor for Business and Enterprise?

London Careers Offer Question No: 2015/1219

Stephen Knight

Following your response to MQ 2015/0553, has Dr Hughes' report into careers advice proposals been published?

Olympicopolis Local Engagement

Question No: 2015/1220

Stephen Knight

Following your and David Goldstone's responses to MQ 2015/0801 (Oral) when will you publish a strategy which sets out and commits to the benefits of Olympicopolis to the local community?

TfL as an Apprenticeships 'Trailblazer'

Question No: 2015/1221

Stephen Knight

Can you update me on TfL progress on becoming an 'apprenticeships trailblazer'?

London World Expo 2025 Question No: 2015/1222

Stephen Knight

Can you update me on London's bid to host the World Expo in 2025?

Closure of Tooley Street - information given to bus drivers Question No: 2015/1239

Caroline Pidgeon

You will be aware that over Easter Bank Holiday weekend Tooley Street was part closed due to the ongoing works at London Bridge station. I have received reports that information given to bus drivers and users of this closure was inadequate; buses were seen performing U turns at the junction with Shand Street, and many tourists were waiting at stops along Tooley Street, unaware buses were not running. As we can expect many more such closures, will you in future ensure that stops are closed and drivers properly informed?

Finsbury Park station - Wells Terrace entrance (1) Ouestion No: 2015/1240

Caroline Pidgeon

On 16th April, passengers using Finsbury Park station were informed that the Wells Terrace entrance would close from Monday 20th, yet the following day were told the work was delayed and the entrance would remain open. Why were passengers informed of this change at such short notice?

Finsbury Park station - Wells Terrace entrance (2) Ouestion No: 2015/1241

Caroline Pidgeon

What is the updated timescale for the works at Finsbury Park station?

TfL bonuses - safety KPIs Question No: 2015/1242

Caroline Pidgeon

Considering TfL buses averaged 1.5KSIs per day from collisions during 2014, do you think it is acceptable that TfL Chief Officer bonuses will be awarded without reference to Key Performance Indicators on the safety of TfL buses?

Bus route 53 - temporary curtailment

Question No: 2015/1243

Caroline Pidgeon

You will be aware that bus route 53 (Plumstead to Whitehall) has been terminating early at Lambeth North since January due to road works near Westminster Bridge. Passengers were told that this was a temporary arrangement until March. The service is still terminated early. Can you inform passengers when you plan to restore this service as promised?

Waterloo-Greenwich Quietway - Junction of Trundley's Road Question No: 2015/1244

Caroline Pidgeon

Your answer to question 2014/4150 is disappointing, especially as this junction remains the only serious hazard along this Quietway, and you and your Cycling Commissioner explicitly promised not to duck difficult obstacles along the route. There are poor sightlines at this junction; are you satisfied that children from the primary school will be safe with a small 'refuge' rather than a signalised crossing?

TfL cycling staff

Question No: 2015/1245

Caroline Pidgeon

Please provide figures for the total number of TfL staff working on cycling. Please break the figures down by department or project, e.g. Cycle Hire, Better Junctions, Cycle Superhighways etc.

Bus route 331 - access to Mount Vernon Hospital Question No: 2015/1246

Caroline Pidgeon

A constituent informs me that the 331 bus route travels past three closer boarding and alighting points before stopping for 'Mont Vernon Hospital' (Northwood). Given many passengers using this stop have mobility issues, will you investigate whether the service can stop closer to the hospital entrance?

Bus stop locations - accessibility Ouestion No: 2015/1247

Caroline Pidgeon

What steps do you take to review the position of bus stops to ensure they are situated near places of particular need, such as local shops, libraries, hospitals or railway stations?

Step Free Access Projects (1)

Question No: 2015/1248

Caroline Pidgeon

In answer to question no: 2015/0766 you stated that "No step-free projects have been cancelled" on the London Underground. However, on the 9th July 2009, Richard Barry, the then Head of London Underground, provided in correspondence sent to the London Assembly Transport Committee the details of 24 step-free access schemes which were to be deferred:

http://legacy.london.gov.uk/assembly/reports/transport/too-close-for-comfort-submissions.pdf

Please therefore state what is the difference between an 'indefinite deferral' of proposed step-free access scheme and the cancellation of a scheme?

Step Free Access Projects (2)

Question No: 2015/1249

Caroline Pidgeon

In answer to question no: 2015/0766 you stated that "No step-free projects have been cancelled" on the London Underground, yet in answer to 01821/2010 you stated in relation to Shepherd's Bush underground station: "Work on this project had to be stopped after it became clear that ground conditions and the location of other underground utilities were not as anticipated, adding significantly to the difficulty and cost of the work. Subsequent to that, additional costs from the absorption of Metronet and the economic down-turn forced the indefinite deferral of a number of step-free access projects including Shepherd's Bush. The total cost of all work on this scheme from 2003 to the present is £39m." How do you reconcile the answers you have provided to these Mayoral Questions?

Step Free Access Projects (3)

Question No: 2015/1250

Caroline Pidgeon

For how long does a proposed step-free access project at a London Underground station have to be deferred before it can be classified as cancelled?

Firearms licensing change

Question No: 2015/1251

Caroline Pidgeon

What annual savings do the MPS estimate on making following the changes to the firearms license fee?

Publicity during the General Election campaign Question No: 2015/1252

Caroline Pidgeon

Can an explanation be given why a press release from the Mayor's office was released during the General Election campaign and while the 'purdah' rules applied, relating to your launch of the Old Oak and Park Royal Development Corporation, making the bold claim that it will 'seek to deliver up to 24,000 homes and more than 55,000 jobs' yet your resignation from chairing the Old Oak and Park Royal Development Corporation was not press released, despite being confirmed before the 7th May. On reflection, during a General Election period, where strict rules about publicity created by the Mayor and London Assembly should apply, do you agree that either both significant developments should have been deferred in being publicised, or alternatively both have been publicised via a press release before the 7th May.

Use of bus lanes by non-emergency patient transport service vehicles **Question No: 2015/1253**

Caroline Pidgeon

Will you examine the case to allow non-emergency patient transport service vehicles to use bus lanes in London?

York Road traffic lights, Waterloo

Question No: 2015/1254

Caroline Pidgeon

I have been contacted by a constituent who is concerned that the sequencing and frequency of the pedestrian traffic lights on York Road at the junction with Station Approach with those at Waterloo Roundabout is causing significant tailbacks of traffic. My constituent has witnessed buses and HGVs blocking the crossing, forcing pedestrians to cross around them, risking conflicts with cyclists. Will you look into the sequencing of these traffic lights?

Cold Homes (1)

Question No: 2015/1268

Jennette Arnold

Why, after seven years as Mayor, have you failed to establish a strategy for tackling fuel poverty in London?

Cold Homes (2)

Ouestion No: 2015/1269

Jennette Arnold

What steps will you take to ensure my constituents don't have to choose between heating and eating this winter?

Water Bills

Question No: 2015/1270

Jennette Arnold

Rising water bills are a major concern for many Londoners. What actions have you taken to intervene with Thames Water to ensure prices remain fair and reasonable?

Climate Change (1) Question No: 2015/1271

Jennette Arnold

Do you still have an "open mind" on whether climate change exists?

Climate Change (2) Question No: 2015/1272

Jennette Arnold

What steps have you taken to prepare my constituents in Hackney, Islington and Waltham Forest for the likely effects of climate change, such as increased torrential rainfall and heatwaves?

Air Pollution

Question No: 2015/1273

Jennette Arnold

Please provide more details on your proposed new Local Air Quality Management Framework?

New Homes - Wheelchair accessible Question No: 2015/1274

Jennette Arnold

Will you support Leonard Cheshire Disability's campaign to ensure that all new homes in London are built to Lifetime Homes standards and 10% of new homes are built to full wheelchair accessible standards?

Disabled-friendly homes

Question No: 2015/1275

Jennette Arnold

We must build more disabled-friendly homes and have the funding available to adapt existing homes now. Will you urge London councils to do that?

Mayor's Mentoring Scheme (1)

Question No: 2015/1276

Jennette Arnold

Further to your answer to Question No: 2015/0835, what work has been done to throughout the scheme to ensure young boys have been paired up with the appropriate mentor?

Mayor's Mentoring Scheme (2)

Question No: 2015/1277

Jennette Arnold

What plans do you have in place, when the mentoring scheme finishes to ensure that there is a continued programme of engagement with young boys that have been part of the mentoring scheme?

Unison's Ethical Charter

Question No: 2015/1278

Jennette Arnold

Care workers do some of the most important and valuable work in society. Will you encourage London Councils and your colleagues in Government to support Unison's Ethical Care Charter?

Punctuality of the DLR Question No: 2015/1279

John Biggs

Has the punctuality of the DLR got better or worse since Keolis Amey Docklands took over as the new franchisee?

Frequency of DLR to Tower Gateway

Question No: 2015/1280

John Biggs

Many of my constituents are regular users of the DLR service to Tower Gateway but complain of the lack of frequency. What plans do you have to increase the frequency of this service?

Air Pollution Judgement (1)

Question No: 2015/1281

John Biggs

Following the historic ruling by the Supreme Court on 29th April, what role will London play in the creation of a new national air quality plan?

Air Pollution Judgement (2)

Question No: 2015/1282

John Biggs

In paragraph 30 of the 29th April Supreme Court judgement it states that "during the five years of breach the prospects of early compliance have become worse, not better". Is this not the clearest demonstration yet that air pollution has got worse under your Mayoralty, not better?

Question Time

Question No: 2015/1283

John Biggs

Which Question Time will take precedence for you on certain Wednesdays over the next year? MQT or PMQ?

Garden Bridge

Question No: 2015/1284

John Biggs

Can you update us on the fundraising success of the trust, and provide a summary of the financial risks advised to you by your officers?

Thames Barrier Park Question No: 2015/1285

John Biggs

You advised some time ago you were reviewing future management/ownership options for the park. Can you update us on progress with this and on your thinking?

Santander Bike Deal Question No: 2015/1286

John Biggs

Is this a better deal for Londoners? What did you learn from the Barclays deal?

Bethnal Green Stations

Question No: 2015/1287

John Biggs

On assuming overground status for a number of Greater Anglia Services out of Liverpool Street, TfL will be responsible for all services through Bethnal Green Overground Station. Will you consider renaming this to avoid the naming clash with the other Bethnal Green (Underground) station which is about ¼ mile away?

London City Airport (1)

Question No: 2015/1288

John Biggs

Is your planning decision re the Airport good news for London's economy?

London City Airport (2) Question No: 2015/1289

John Biggs

Do you agree that increased air capacity in the South East is crucial for continued, sustained and vital growth of the UK economy?

Night Buses in Barking & Dagenham

Question No: 2015/1290

John Biggs

This borough is currently poorly served by night bus routes. What plans do you have to improve coverage?

Cooperative housing (1)

Question No: 2015/1291

Tom Copley

How is the Greater London Authority currently promoting the expansion of cooperative housing in London?

Cooperative housing (2)

Question No: 2015/1292

Tom Copley

How many cooperative homes are there currently in London?

Community Land Trusts (1)

Question No: 2015/1293

Tom Copley

What are currently the main barriers to delivering community land trusts in London?

Community Land Trusts (2)

Question No: 2015/1294

Tom Copley

How many Community Land Trusts will there be in May 2016 compared to May 2008?

Rough sleeping (1) Question No: 2015/1295

Tom Copley

For each year since 2008, please outline the (a) proportion and (b) total number of rough sleepers in London who were former prisoners.

Rough sleeping (2)

Question No: 2015/1296

Tom Copley

What specific actions (a) have and (b) are the GLA taking to assist people when they leave prison so that they not end up living on London's streets?

Rough sleeping (3) Ouestion No: 2015/1297

Tom Copley

Has the GLA made any analysis of the recent trends regarding the number of former prisoners and rough sleeping?

Rough sleeping (4)

Question No: 2015/1298

Tom Copley

What view does the GLA have on the impact that recent changes to the probation service have had on the ability of prisoners to find suitable housing options once they leave prison?

Rough sleeping (5)

Question No: 2015/1299

Tom Copley

For each year since 2008, please outline the (a) proportion and (b) total number of rough sleepers in London who had previously been squatting.

Housing Associations (1)

Question No: 2015/1300

Tom Copley

How much money was invested by housing associations during the 2011/15 spending round in building new affordable housing in Greater London?

Housing Associations (2)

Question No: 2015/1301

Tom Copley

How many homes were built by housing associations without grant subsidy from the Greater London Authority during the 2011/15 spending round?

Housing Associations (3)

Question No: 2015/1302

Tom Copley

What was the average cost of building an (a) social rent, (b) Affordable Rent and (c) 'affordable homeownership' property during the 2011/15 spending round in Greater London? Please provide the data for Greater London and by borough.

Housing Associations (4)

Question No: 2015/1303

Tom Copley

What was the average GLA subsidy per (a) social rent, (b) Affordable Rent and (c) 'affordable homeownership' property during the 2011/15 spending round?

Key worker housing (1) Question No: 2015/1304

Tom Copley

How many affordable homes for key workers are there currently in Greater London?

Key worker housing (2) Question No: 2015/1305

Tom Copley

Would you agree that the retention and recruitment of key workers (such as ambulance staff) has become more difficult in London over recent years as housing costs have increased?

Key worker housing (3) Question No: 2015/1306

Tom Copley

How has your decision to remove key worker criteria from the London Plan helped deliver housing for households on low- to middle-incomes working in vital public services in London?

Key worker housing (4) Question No: 2015/1307

Tom Copley

Who provides affordable homes for key workers in Greater London?

Pension funds

Question No: 2015/1308

Tom Copley

What progress has the Mayor made in ensuring greater investment by pension funds in building new housing in Greater London?

Student housing (1) Question No: 2015/1309

Tom Copley

What has the Mayor done to improve the quantity and quality of student accommodation in London since 2008?

Student housing (2) Question No: 2015/1310

Tom Copley

Does the Mayor believe that new student accommodation in Greater London is affordable to students from low- and middle-income households? What has the Mayor done to ensure such accommodation is affordable to students from these households?

Waiting lists

Question No: 2015/1311

Tom Copley

What assessment has the Mayor made of how council housing waiting lists are operating in London since the new freedoms were introduced as part of the 2011 Localism Act? Is the Mayor confident that, in every borough, low-income households have fair access to council housing in the local area?

Pub Protection (1) Question No: 2015/1312

Tom Copley

With the demolition of the Carlton Tavern in Kilburn and the closure of numerous venues such as the Black Cap in recent months do you agree you should do more to protect these venues in London?

Pub Protection (2) Question No: 2015/1313

Tom Copley

Will you commit to following up on the recent alterations to the London Plan and issue further guidance on specific policies the boroughs should be adopting to protect pubs?

Housing Zones (1) Question No: 2015/1314

Tom Copley

Can you provide an update on discussions with London Boroughs about housing zones and indicate when we can expect further Mayoral decisions designating housing zones.

Housing Zones (2) Question No: 2015/1315

Tom Copley

Does the figure of over 5,000 new homes in the Clapham Junction to Battersea Riverside housing zone, mentioned in the press release include the 2,000 homes already marked for development through the Winstanley estate regeneration?

TfL commercial media partner for advertising Question No: 2015/1316

Tom Copley

TfL has announced it is looking for a commercial media partner for advertising, and that this single contract will cover both the underground and other London transport in one contract. Is there scope to use this opportunity to implement one of the recommendations of the Economy Committee's Centre Stage report: 'Transport for London should provide opportunities for small theatres to advertise at tube, rail and tram stations close to their venue. This could be achieved by TfL providing its advertising contractors with posters supplied by the theatres for local venues that can be placed in spaces that are empty or displaying expired advertisements. TfL could also set aside fover space for notices from local cultural attractions.'

A1 Stirling Corner to Borehamwood Junction Question No: 2015/1317

Andrew Dismore

Between Stirling Corner and Borehamwood Junction (A1) there is a sensible 50mph limit which is designed to make the road safer. Constituents have complained to me about the lack of observance of the 50mph limit. In light of this is it possible for the MPS to patrol (in arrangement with Herefordshire Constabulary) along this route in order to enforce the 50 mph limit?

Police Resources **Question No: 2015/1318**

Andrew Dismore

During the Kingsway fire on 1st April 2015 a large number of Police were used to control and deal with the incident. How many police officers were from Camden, and how many did that leave performing normal duties in Camden?

Finchley Central connection to Mill Hill East

Question No: 2015/1319

Andrew Dismore

My constituents are still reporting to me that there is no link up between trains arriving at Finchley Central, and those leaving for Mill Hill East. Passengers are missing the connection by seconds and having to wait 15 minutes until another service can take them to Mill Hill East. Why is there no link between these services?

No 263

Question No: 2015/1320

Andrew Dismore

Would you support increasing the frequency of the no 236 bus service especially as it is the only service between East Finchley and North Finchley?

Litter in Edgware

Question No: 2015/1321

Andrew Dismore

Why does TfL seem incapable of maintaining a clean and tidy station at Edgware?

Camden Town Underground Station

Question No: 2015/1322

Andrew Dismore

TfL have informed me that the urgently needed improvements to ease congestion at Camden Underground Station will not be complete until 2020. This is a key tourist site and an important hub for the local community. Can the Mayor move the works forward to offer the people of Camden some relief from the daily congestion?

Waste Depot relocation

Question No: 2015/1323

Andrew Dismore

I have been contacted by local residents who are concerned about the development of a new waste facility at Abbot's Depot in Oakleigh Road South, N11. Can you provide information on what consultation should have been conducted and whether the GLA has had any involvement in this project?

Congestion on South Circular

Question No: 2015/1324

Len Duvall

Please give an update on any plans or discussions with LB Lewisham regarding measures to tackle congestion on the South Circular through Catford town centre and in particular along Stanstead Road, particularly as the Catford Green development is now under construction?

Extending London Overground to Thamesmead and Bexley Riverside Question No: 2015/1325

Len Duvall

Why will TfL not consult on the principle of extending London Overground across the River Thames from Barking Riverside? Is this not a waste of an opportunity and money?

Bus capacity and school children in Catford Question No: 2015/1326

Len Duvall

I have had anecdotal reports that buses through Rushey Green/Bromley Road through the Catford/Downham areas are becoming very overcrowded at the end of the school day due to large numbers of school children boarding the buses. Has this been reviewed recently and what action can be taken to improve this situation?

Crossrail and bus services at Abbey Wood

Question No: 2015/1327

Len Duvall

Please outline TfL's plans for bus route upgrades both in Greenwich and Bexley to provide effective access for residents to Crossrail.

178 Bus at Kidbrooke Village Ouestion No: 2015/1328

Len Duvall

Please update us on progress in attempts to ensure the 178 bus continues to serve the Brook Estate and other residents neighbouring Kidbrooke Village.

Lewisham Gateway: Removal of Bus Stops on Lewisham High Street Question No: 2015/1329

Len Duvall

On what basis did Transport for London agree to the removal of two bus stops from Lewisham High Street?

Lewisham Gateway: Redirection of Traffic Lanes, Lewisham High Street Question No: 2015/1330

Len Duvall

On what basis did Transport for London agree to the redirection of traffic from two lanes each way to three lanes northbound on Lewisham High Street?

Redirection of the 386 bus

Question No: 2015/1331

Len Duvall

Will TfL listen to the petition presented by local residents and re-instate the old 386 route out of Blackheath in the direction of Woolwich?

London Land Commission 1

Question No: 2015/1332

Nicky Gavron

What work has been undertaken to establish the London Land Commission announced in the Budget?

London Land Commission 2

Question No: 2015/1333

Nicky Gavron

What team within the GLA is leading work on the London Land Commission?

OPDC

Question No: 2015/1334

Nicky Gavron

When you appointed yourself as Chair of the OPDC, did you know that you were going to announce your resignation from that appointment the next month?

Planning permissions 1

Question No: 2015/1335

Nicky Gavron

How many homes were granted planning permission in London each year since 2008?

Planning permissions 2

Question No: 2015/1336

Nicky Gavron

How many residential schemes were given permission prior to 21 November 2014? How many units are contained within these schemes?

Planning permissions 3 Question No: 2015/1337

Nicky Gavron

How many residential schemes were given permission prior to 21 May 2014? How many units are contained within these schemes?

Developer Agreements for GLA land

Question No: 2015/1338

Nicky Gavron

What mechanisms are used to ensure target start dates are met?

London Development Panel 1

Question No: 2015/1339

Nicky Gavron

How many public sector organisations have utilised the London Development Panel to develop land? Can you please provide a list?

London Development Panel 2

Question No: 2015/1340

Nicky Gavron

What sites have been developed through the London Development Panel?

Green Dragon pub, Enfield Question No: 2015/1341

Joanne McCartney

Local residents have recently tried to save this local historic pub but unfortunately the application to list the pub as a community asset was rejected. The London Plan was amended with a new paragraph which states "where there is sufficient evidence of need, community asset value and viability in pub use, boroughs are encouraged to bring forward policies to retain, manage and enhance public houses." What decisive action are you taking to help pubs that are under threat in London?

Unsolved crime in Haringey

Ouestion No: 2015/1342

Joanne McCartney

Recent statistics show that 79.8 per cent of crimes reported to Haringey Police since 2010 remain unsolved which equals 98,570 cases not closed. This includes 18,504 unsolved crimes relating to violence against the person, 14,895 unsolved burglaries and 636 rapes and 975 other sexual abuse cases. What further action will you take to ensure that crimes reported to the police are solved?

Child Poverty Strategy for London

Question No: 2015/1343

Joanne McCartney

I am very disappointed with your response to my request at Mayor's Question Time on 19th November 2014 and to my letter dated 14th January 2015 asking you to implement a child poverty strategy. Your response states that child poverty is a multifaceted issue which is not just confined to London, and you have not yet completed your inquiries and deliberations on the issue. When do you expect to reach a conclusion?

Child homelessness **Question No: 2015/1344**

Joanne McCartney

Government figures show four per cent of children are now living in temporary accommodation in London- a rise of 25 per cent in three years. This means that 80 per cent of all homeless children in England are in the capital. In my constituency in Haringey 5,322 children are living in temporary accommodation and in Enfield there are 4,879. What action are you taking to reduce the number of children without a stable home in London?

Cell Space in London Police Stations (1)

Question No: 2015/1345

Joanne McCartney

Please could you provide the current number of available and usable cells in London's Police Stations organised by borough?

Cell Space in London Police Stations (2)

Question No: 2015/1346

Joanne McCartney

Please could you provide us with the number of available and usable cells in London's Police Stations organised by borough, from 2011 - 2014, per year?

Cell Space in London Police Stations (3)

Question No: 2015/1347

Joanne McCartney

Please could you provide a list of the number of occasions where there has been cell overcrowding in the year i) 2011 ii) 2012 iii) 2013 iv) 2014?

Contingency Plans for Power Failures (1)

Question No: 2015/1348

Joanne McCartney

It was recently reported that the Metropolitan Police suffered a 'severe' power blackout leaving officers unable to communicate for 40 minutes. Please could you inform me of what plans you now have in place to prevent this from occurring again?

Contingency Plans for Power Failures (2)

Ouestion No: 2015/1349

Joanne McCartney

It was recently reported that the Metropolitan Police suffered a 'severe' power blackout leaving officers unable to communicate for 40 minutes. Please could you inform me of what emergency processes and procedures were in place in case of this eventuality before it occurred and how these processes and procedures operated?

Performance of the Metropolitan Police in Electoral Fraud Case **Question No: 2015/1350**

Joanne McCartney

After the ruling given by Judge Richard Mawrey QC which stated that the Mayor of Tower Hamlets had explicitly initiated and been involved in illegal and corrupt practices – do you believe that the Metropolitan Police were correct in finding there to be no evidence of criminal wrong doing in their earlier investigation?

Use of CS Gas in Brixton (1)

Question No: 2015/1351

Joanne McCartney

How many police officers used CS Gas to disperse crowds at the 'Reclaim Brixton' protest in late April?

Use of CS Gas in Brixton (2)

Question No: 2015/1352

Joanne McCartney

Why did officers deem as reasonable to use of CS Gas at the 'Reclaim Brixton' Protest?

Gatwick Expansion Campaign on the Tube Network

Question No: 2015/1353

Murad Qureshi

How much did the Gatwick expansion campaign spend on advertising on the tube system in April 2015?

Heathrow expansion campaign on the Tube network Question No: 2015/1354

Murad Qureshi

How much did the Heathrow expansion campaign spend on advertising on the tube system in April 2015?

20mph in Westminster

Question No: 2015/1355

Murad Qureshi

Why are none of the eight pilots of 20mph speed limits on the TfL network in Westminster?

Modern Day Slavery Act (1)

Question No: 2015/1356

Murad Oureshi

Is the Mayor concerned that the Government's recent decision to keep protections for migrant domestic workers out of the Modern Slavery Act will put vulnerable workers in London at risk of abuse and fail to provide any form of protection?

Modern Day Slavery Act (2)

Question No: 2015/1357

Murad Qureshi

What steps is the Mayor taking to ensure that all domestic workers in London have the legal right to a safe and healthy working environment, including effective protection against abuse, harassment and violence?

Fulham Free School Question No: 2015/1358

Murad Qureshi

What assistance are you offering to Fulham Free School to establish itself in Fulham?

Countdown

Question No: 2015/1359

Murad Qureshi

Why has TfL removed the countdown on bus stop A at St Pancras International Station on Fuston Rd?

Cost of Policing Demonstrations (1)

Question No: 2015/1360

Murad Qureshi

How much did the Met spend on policing the protest outside Regents Park Mosque on Good Friday, 2014?

Cost of Policing Demonstrations (2)

Question No: 2015/1361

Murad Qureshi

How much has the Met spent on policing demonstrations outside Regents Park Mosque since January 2014?

Austerity Impact on the Right to Protest (1)

Question No: 2015/1362

Murad Qureshi

Thank you for your answer to my question 2015/0988. Given that the advice affects the ability for people to protest in public is it not appropriate for it to be made available?

Austerity Impact on the Right to Protest (2) Question No: 2015/1363

Murad Qureshi

Please can you provide a list of organisations that took part in the inter-agency meetings with 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?

Sales of Housing Association Stock (1) Question No: 2015/1364

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Murad Qureshi

How many pre-1989 (old HAG regime) properties have Housing Associations in London sold-off each year since 2000?

Sales of Housing Association Stock (2)

Question No: 2015/1365

Murad Qureshi

Could you please list by HA's which have sold off the most of their pre-1989 properties (old HAG regime) by highest numbers first and their capital receipts?

Money Laundering & Housing in London (1) Ouestion No: 2015/1366

Murad Qureshi

36,342 London properties are held by offshore haven companies. Not even the Land Registry knows who owns these homes. Would you support transparency over who owns the companies that are buying up so much of London, by making such a declaration a Land Registry requirement upon purchase?

Money Laundering & Housing in London (2) Question No: 2015/1367

Murad Oureshi

Transparency International's report on corrupt money in the UK housing market demonstrates how easy it is to purchase London property with corrupt money. Do you agree with TI's recommendation that estate agents should extend due diligence checks to the purchaser and not just the seller?

Night Tube in Westminster Question No: 2015/1368

Murad Qureshi

Please can you provide a list of groups from the City of Westminster that were consulted about the introduction of the Night Tube?

Fuel Banks

Question No: 2015/1369

Murad Qureshi

Following the announcement from Npower that they intend to establish a series of "fuel banks", including at locations in London, will you visit a "fuel bank" and establish a fuel poverty strategy?

Supreme Court Judgement (1)

Question No: 2015/1370

Murad Qureshi

Following the Supreme Court judgement that the Government must prepare and consult on new air quality plans, what steps will you take to enhance and extend the Ultra-Low Emission Zone?

Supreme Court Judgement (2)

Question No: 2015/1371

Murad Oureshi

Section 30 of the Supreme Court ruling states that; "during the five years of breech the prospects of early compliance have become worse, not better". Does this not demonstrate that London's air pollution crisis has got worse under your Mayoralty not better?

Climate Change Statement signed by European Mayors Ouestion No: 2015/1372

Murad Qureshi

In the joint statement you signed in March it refers to greater co-operation between cities at a European level in tackling climate change. Why have you failed to make good use of existing networks such as the C40 Cities initiative, to take this idea forward?

The Big Green Fund 2 Question No: 2015/1373

Murad Qureshi

How were the successful projects chosen for funding and what criteria did they have to meet?

Ultra Low Emission Zone Consultation

Question No: 2015/1374

Murad Qureshi

Of the 16,000 responses received following the consultation on the ULEZ, how many respondents called for the zone to be widened or made stronger?

Crossrail Tunnelling Machine

Question No: 2015/1375

Murad Qureshi

Will the tunnelling machines used to create the Crossrail tunnels be preserved for use in constructing Crossrail 2?

Clean Air Fund

Question No: 2015/1376

Murad Qureshi

What programmes will be funded through the Clean Air Fund and when will the funding run out?

RE:NEW Framework Question No: 2015/1377

Murad Qureshi

Please explain the background context to DD1268 approving up to £130,000 for specialist legal services relating to the new RE:NEW framework?

Retrofitting

Question No: 2015/1378

Murad Qureshi

Please explain the background context to ADD275 relating to a feasibility study into the "Energiesprong" retrofitting model for London?

Low Emission Vehicles

Question No: 2015/1379

Murad Qureshi

Please explain the context to ADD249 to authorise expenditure of up to a maximum of £40,000 towards a report on London's ultra/low emission vehicles sector?

Ticket Office Closures (1)

Question No: 2015/1380

Navin Shah

Can you give me an update on the current situation of ticket office closures?

Ticket Office Closures (2) **Question No: 2015/1381**

Navin Shah

One of my constituents, referring to her experience in the first week of May has stated "What has happened to TfL's commitment to have staff by the ticket machines when the ticket offices closed? I have made 2 underground journeys this week, and there were no staff in evidence at Willesden Green Station on either occasion. No notices about when they would be back or how to call them. Just wide open ticket barriers, an invitation to the less scrupulous to cheat. Many people, particularly visitors to London, still have difficulty using the ticket machines. I would have liked assistance to get a statement of recent journeys on my Oyster. Hope I can get one next time!". I agree with my constituent that this is not an acceptable service. Do you? What steps you are taking to fulfil your promises? Can you also tell me what has been overall customer experience at the stations without ticket offices?

Ticket Office Closures (3) Ouestion No: 2015/1382

Navin Shah

What mechanism you have put in place for the review and monitoring of closed ticket offices? What lessons have you learnt?

Question: Ticket Office Closures (4)

Member: Navin Shah

Ticket Office Closures (4)

Question No: 2015/1383

Navin Shah

How have you dealt with accessibility issues to ensure that there is no detrimental impact on disabled and frail service users.

Ticket Office Closures (5) Ouestion No: 2015/1384

Navin Shah

How have you responded to the Equality Impact Assessment resulting from the closures to date?

Accessibility of public transport (1)

Question No: 2015/1385

Navin Shah

According to TfL's business plan only 2/3 of journeys are planned to be step-free by 2050. In contrast to the former Mayor's plan which was much more ambitious and relevant to meet urgent accessibility requirements I find your £700M funding too little and too late. Why are you refusing to have a more ambitious, comprehensive funding regime to deliver accessible stations right across London?

Accessibility of public transport (2) **Question No: 2015/1386**

Navin Shah

Do you have plans to introduce a comprehensive funding regime to deliver accessibility requirements that would include provision of lifts/escalators, manual ramps and signage etc. to make travel experience safer and efficient?

Bus Accessibility Ouestion No: 2015/1387

Navin Shah

On behalf of a constituent I am seeking clarity on TFL's London Bus policy on wheelchair access on London buses. In particular there are the following issues when trying to access a London bus:

Ramps: Whether it's a maintenance issue or lack of training for drivers, for most journeys the ramps are not working or operated properly and the only response one gets from the drivers is wait for the next bus. I would like to know what responsibility a driver and the bus operator has related to this issue?

Wheelchair priority area: More and more one cannot board a bus as this area is occupied by a pram or pushchair. Often the driver doesn't even ask for these to be folded and passengers are told to wait for the next bus. It is not unusual for one to wait for 2 to 3 buses before you can board. What is the official policy on the wheelchair priority area?

Next stop alert: Again, don't know if this is due to faults or training of the drivers but wheelchair passengers often miss stops when the driver does not deploy the ramp for them to exit. Other passengers often need to alert the driver at the next stop. This delays journeys. Whether it's the lack of adequate parking facilities or poor access to public transport, it feels like it's getting harder and harder for wheelchair users to get around London.

A406/A5 Staples Corner 4 Question No: 2015/1388

Navin Shah

Do you acknowledge that your response to 2015/0715 fails to answer that specific question?

Staples Corner junction of the A406 and A5 Question No: 2015/1389

Navin Shah

Considering again just the narrow subject of the Staples Corner junction of the A406 and A5, west of the Midland Main Line, do you intend that the junction will be rebuilt with a sense of place in the urban fabric, rather than just for movement?

Double decker buses on Rushout and Northwick Avenue (1) Question No: 2015/1390

Navin Shah

Residents have been repeatedly reassured that TfL do not intend to run double decker buses in our small residential roads despite this commitment the H18 today is running as a double decker bus. How will this be achieved?

Double decker buses on Rushout and Northwick Avenue (2)

Question No: 2015/1391

Navin Shah

How will pedestrians and cyclists traverse that specific junction, in every direction?

Old Oak Common (1) Question No: 2015/1392

Navin Shah

You have published aspirations to run London Overground services from Old Oak Common towards Hounslow (via the Golden Mile development area) and towards Mill Hill Broadway (via both Brent Cross and Colindale development areas).

Old Oak Common (2) Question No: 2015/1393

Navin Shah

Have you abandoned those aspirations? If not, how would they be met?

Old Oak Common (3) Question No: 2015/1394

Navin Shah

What options have you considered?

Brent Cross Highways Infrastructure (1) Question No: 2015/1395

Navin Shah

You have stated that you have been in detailed discussions over highways design at Brent Cross. Can you confirm that Brent Cross Phase One now totally conforms to your London Cycle Design Guidance of 2014?

If not, in which locations is it deficient?

Brent Cross Highways Infrastructure (2) Question No: 2015/1396

Navin Shah

Thanks to your insistence, can you confirm that there are now no non-segregated cycle paths, or highway unprotected cycle lanes or advance stop lines in the Brent Cross Phase One plan?

If not, in which locations have you failed?

Brent Cross Highways Infrastructure (3) Question No: 2015/1397

Navin Shah

Having concluding your discussions, will every part of Brent Cross Phase One plan exceed the standards that you illustrate and promote in your Better Streets Delivered Case Studies of 2013?

If not, which parts of Brent Cross are deficient?

Brent Cross Highways Infrastructure (4) Ouestion No: 2015/1398

Navin Shah

Following your discussions, will Brent Cross Phase One be fully compliant with all aspects of your 2013 Roads Task Force Report, including the London Streets Family document, for streets and spaces design to accommodate active frontages, street greening, walking and cycling, inset on-street parking / loading and vehicle movement?

If not, where does it fail?

Brent Cross Midland Main Line Station (1) Question No: 2015/1399

Navin Shah

Do you welcome the Chancellor of the Exchequer's 2015 Budget statement, announcing confirmed funding for a new heavy-rail station at Brent Cross?

From your knowledge of discussions, is the funding conditional on anything? If so, what? Where is this up-front announced funding coming from? Is it a grant, that is, newly-assigned government money? Or is it a loan, and if so, who is borrowing from whom, and who is guaranteeing the loan against default?

Brent Cross Midland Main Line Station (2) Question No: 2015/1400

Navin Shah

From your knowledge of discussions, how many platforms have been proposed at any time since 2010 for the new station, and when?

Will the station be decked, to allow above-track commercial development? Is the extra cost of decking thought to be recoverable from future developers, beyond their Section 106 and CIL commitments?

Brent Cross Midland Main Line Station (3) Question No: 2015/1401

Navin Shah

You have published unfunded aspirations for a new London Overground service from Old Oak Common, via Brent Cross, to Hendon and, bordering the Colindale opportunity area, to Mill Hill Broadway.

Does the specification for the new Brent Cross station include space for platforms on the Midland Main Line freight tracks for this service, even if platforms were added later?

Major Brent Cross Roads (1) Question No: 2015/1402

Navin Shah

You will be aware that on 29 April 2015, the government was ordered by the Supreme Court to take immediate action over its obligations under European law on air pollution limits. What action have you taken to ensure that proposed changes to all major Brent Cross Phase One roads help in the regard?

Major Brent Cross Roads (2) Question No: 2015/1403

Navin Shah

Do you share the worries expressed at the TFL Finance & Policy Committee meeting of 22 January 2015 in handing over the implementation of some Brent Cross Phase One major road changes to developers?

What is the risk involved, and what is the worst case scenario?

Major Brent Cross Roads (3) Question No: 2015/1404

Navin Shah

Are you satisfied that technical expertise exists in UK engineering companies to build all the planned highway bridges over the North Circular Road in-situ, rather than elsewhere and then pushing them across? Are you content with building them all in-situ?

If not, what are your technical reasons to favour building one or more bridge to the south of the North Circular Road, rather than to the north? In choosing between the south or the north for a bridge-building site, what effect would each have on the Brent Cross Phase One number of London homes?

Accessibility on public transport Question No: 2015/1405

Navin Shah

I was alarmed to read in a London Paper that disabled passengers trying to exit a Tube station were advised via a note posted at Chalfont & Latimer to take the 20-minute round-trip to Chesham - the next and final stop on the Metropolitan line - and back again to get out of the station. Why does it take a newspaper publishing something like this before action is taken? We need speedier maintenance to ensure disabled people's plans are not ruined by things like this.

New Bus for London design issues Question No: 2015/1406

Valerie Shawcross

I have been contacted by a constituent who has asked me to put the following point to you regarding the design and layout of the New Bus for London vehicles and I would be grateful for a response which I can pass to them:

'The much promoted get on and off facility rarely works as there often seem not to be conductors and therefore the back doors are shut most of the time- at least that is how it appears. The seating is poorly designed and uncomfortable and the space occupied by two stairways seems counter-productive.'

Bus services in Kennington Ouestion No: 2015/1407

Valerie Shawcross

I have been contacted by a Kennington resident who has raised issues about the bus capacity in through the area, in particular involving routes 59 and 159 during the morning peak - up to 9.45am - and evening peak - from 4.45pm. Please could these routes be reviewed?

Tourist assistance at London Bridge & Waterloo Question No: 2015/1408

Valerie Shawcross

Concerns have been raised with me about high numbers of tourists who use large stations such as London Bridge and Waterloo and how your plans to close ticket offices on the tube network may impact on them. What is your response to this concern?

Tulse Hill gyratory Ouestion No: 2015/1409

Valerie Shawcross

I have worked with local councillors for a long time to lobby for improvements to the gyratory system at Tulse Hill and am pleased to hear that progress is being made on work between the borough and TfL. Please could I have an update on progress on this project?

Unadopted roads

Question No: 2015/1410

Valerie Shawcross

What advice does TfL have for boroughs struggling with reduced Highways budgets in terms of need to invest in minor/unadopted roads in their area - for example, where there are safety concerns but ownership of said road is uncertain or complex?

Ticket offices and Rail Vouchers

Question No: 2015/1411

Valerie Shawcross

The ability to add rail vouchers to oyster cards was removed by from rail company ticket offices a couple of years ago. This left tube stations as one of the few places passengers could redeem rail vouchers. Given the closure of almost all ticket offices on the London Underground, please could you tell me what provisions you have made for this vital service?

Night Tube Passenger Assessment

Question No: 2015/1412

Valerie Shawcross

What assessment was made of the average passenger numbers on a Friday and Saturday night in preparation for the capacity of the Night Tube?

New Year's Eve Passenger Numbers

Question No: 2015/1413

Valerie Shawcross

Please could you provide the passenger numbers on the New Year's Eve 24 hours tube service for the last 5 years.

Night Tube Staff (1) Question No: 2015/1414

Valerie Shawcross

How many staff station staff will there be working on the Night Tube shifts on average in its first month of running? Please provide these figures per tube line.

Night Tube Staff (2) Question No: 2015/1415

Valerie Shawcross

How long will the number of staff be working on the Night Tube during the first month be maintained? Please provide this per tube line.

Night Tube Policing Question No: 2015/1416

Valerie Shawcross

What provisions are being made in terms of i) policing staff on stations and ii) number of station staff on London's transport network for the Rugby World Cup in September of this year?

Fares Reduction of 3% (1)

Question No: 2015/1417

Valerie Shawcross

What would the cost of reducing all fares across the network by 3% for one year be to Transport for London?

Fares Reduction of 3% (2) Question No: 2015/1418

Valerie Shawcross

What is the average cost of running a Night Bus service?

Fares Reduction of 3% (3)

Question No: 2015/1419

Valerie Shawcross

The new contract with Santander is to commit "an additional £1m a year to promote and improve Santander Cycles" (Keith Moor, MayorWatch, 'Santander: We're committed to improving London's cycle hire scheme', March 6th 2015). What projects or promotions are currently planned for this additional funding?

Estuary Island Airport Spending (1)

Question No: 2015/1420

Valerie Shawcross

Since September of 2014 how much money has been spent on proposals for the Estuary Island Airport?

Estuary Island Airport Spending (2)

Question No: 2015/1421

Valerie Shawcross

How much officer time (in hours) has been dedicated to proposals for the Estuary Island Airport since September of 2014?

Zone 1-6 Travelcard Question No: 2015/1422

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 the number of passengers per day who purchased a Zone 1 -6 Day Travelcard in the year 2014?

Contactless Payment on TfL

Question No: 2015/1423

Valerie Shawcross

From time to time Contactless payment requires the owner of a card to enter their PIN Number, for verification (The UK Card Association, 'What is Contactless?', www.theukcardsassociation.org.uk/individual/what-is-contactless.asp, access 29.04.2015).

Does TfL block contactless the use of contactless cards when a PIN input is required?

Electronic Brakes on Routemaster (1)

Question No: 2015/1424

Valerie Shawcross

What safety assessments have taken place since this incident to ensure that the electronic brake does not fail again on the Routemaster bus?

Electronic Brakes on Routemaster (2)

Question No: 2015/1425

Valerie Shawcross

What are the current safety measures or emergency procedures are there on the Routemaster buses to ensure the electronic brake can be manually over-ridden if necessary?

Electronic Brakes on Routemaster (3)

Question No: 2015/1426

Valerie Shawcross

Since 2012, how many incidences have been reported where the electronic brakes have been recorded as faulty or damaged? Please break this down per month.

Electronic Brakes on Routemaster (4)

Question No: 2015/1427

Valerie Shawcross

What recording methods are in place for gathering and maintaining instances of electronic brakes on Routemasters being faulty?

Junction works 'backlog' Question No: 2015/1428

Valerie Shawcross

I have noted that some TfL junction works (namely in West Norwood) in my constituency and elsewhere seem to be taking a very long time to complete. I have been told that this is due to 'a shortage of available trained engineers along with a backlog of upgrade works to complete across the Capital'. Please give an update on how many schemes are behind schedule or completed late, where these are, and how TfL are seeking to tackle shortages of appropriate staff to complete these often disruptive works in a more timely manner.

Identifying space for Food Banks Question No: 2015/1429

Fiona Twycross

With the growth in food banks many are reporting that in keeping up with this demand they are struggling to find sufficient space to store food and operate from. Are the planning team and the London Food Board able to work together to offer some solutions?

Food Banks

Question No: 2015/1430

Fiona Twycross

Given the demonstrated link between welfare reform and the growth in food bank use what will you be doing to lobby the new government to ensure the situation does not get worse given David Cameron's stated intention to cut a further £12 billion from welfare?

Child Protection (1) Question No: 2015/1431

Fiona Twycross

In October 2014 I raised concerns with you about child protection, and followed this up in writing. In your response dated 19th December 2014 you said MOPAC will ask the London Safeguarding Child Board to consider the legal framework I raised about protections for children in Hotels and B&Bs. Can you now provide an update about consideration of these recommendations?

Child Protection (2) Question No: 2015/1432

Fiona Twycross

Based on the feedback you have received will you write to the Home Secretary to ask her to consider making failure to report child abuse a crime?

Child Protection (3) Question No: 2015/1433

Fiona Twycross

Will you also approach the Home Secretary to ask her to consider a cross-departmental working group is set up to tackle the issues around child protection in hotels and B&Bs?

Child Protection (4) Question No: 2015/1434

Fiona Twycross

You also said in your response to my letter about Child Protection your Violence Against Women and Girls Panel will continue to monitor developments about a pan-London response to trafficking and seek an update from the LSCB in due course. Can you provide an update on tackling these linked issues across Boroughs?

Measuring Cultural Participation

Question No: 2015/1435

Fiona Twycross

At a Plenary meeting last year I raised the fact that the Arts Council and DCMS no longer produce participation figures for cultural participation by borough through their Taking Part survey about cultural participation. Is it possible to calculate these by Borough from the London dataset? If so please provide the figures.

Raise the Roof Campaign Question No: 2015/1436

Fiona Twycross

Will you please provide an answer to Question 2015/0342: Do you support the 'Raise the Roof' campaign to increase the Rent a Room Scheme tax break threshold from the level set in 1992, as a way of helping to tackle London's housing crisis by encouraging people to rent out rooms in their home?

Digital Champions Question No: 2015/1437

Fiona Twycross

In relation to your answer to MQ 2015/1104 can you provide further details of the evaluation process Digital Unite will undertake?

Trade with Kurdistan Question No: 2015/1438

Fiona Twycross

Given London and Partners is the lead body for promoting London overseas, why were they not involved in your trip to Kurdistan?

The Housing Crisis and Tech City Question No: 2015/1439

Fiona Twycross

Following the comments of an executive of the Crown Estate that "The dysfunctional housing supply in London is one of the biggest risks to its (the tech sector's) continued success", what steps will you take to ensure a shortage of affordable housing does not derail London's vibrant creative sector?

SME RE:FIT Pilot Projects Question No: 2015/1440

Fiona Twycross

Please provide more details on this scheme as set out in DD1123?

Trade Visits

Ouestion No: 2015/1441

Fiona Twycross

How many trade visits have you made since you first became Mayor in 2008, in each case, please provide the costs incurred to Londoners through travel and expenses?

United States Trade Visit (1)

Question No: 2015/1442

Fiona Twycross

What was the role of your seven strong entourage and what protocols were established for their working practices during your visit? For instance, were they required to work core hours?

United States Trade Visit (2)

Question No: 2015/1443

Fiona Twycross

What costs were incurred by Londoners from your latest trip?

New Music Centre (1) Question No: 2015/1444

Fiona Twycross

Who is taking the lead in conducting the feasibility study into this project, the DCMS or the GI A?

New Music Centre (2) Question No: 2015/1445

Fiona Twycross

Who is funding this feasibility study?

Rankings of the World's Most Expensive Cities

Question No: 2015/1446

Fiona Twycross

Following the news that London has become the world's 11th most expensive city, moving up four places since the Economist Intelligence Unit's last survey, what steps are you taking to ensure the capital is affordable for ordinary Londoners?

London Living Wage (1)

Question No: 2015/1447

Fiona Twycross

How many businesses have you written to in each of the past three financial years, encouraging them to become London Living Wage accredited?

London Living Wage (2) Question No: 2015/1448

Fiona Twycross

Do the GLA and its functional bodies require organisations in receipt of capital funding - for example, through the Affordable Homes Programme and transport infrastructure spending - to be Living Wage accredited?

Apprenticeships budget

Question No: 2015/1449

Fiona Twycross

Can you tell me the total amount and proportions of your budget that is spent on apprenticeships for each year since 2008?

Careers guidance in London

Question No: 2015/1450

Fiona Twycross

Further to MQ 2015/0752, have you produced your final report on the proposals for the London Career Offer? If so, can you provide me with a copy?

AGE funding

Question No: 2015/1451

Fiona Twycross

Can you provide me with an update on the uptake of the AGE funding which business could apply for from 1st January 2015? How much funding still needs to be allocated?

Mayoral Duties (1)

Question No: 2015/1452

Fiona Twycross

What proportion of your time will you commit to your Mayoral duties?

Mayoral Duties (2)

Question No: 2015/1453

Fiona Twycross

Given your workload, will you now give up additional outside employment such as your writing and journalism?

Mayoral Duties (3)

Question No: 2015/1454

Fiona Twycross

How will you balance any potential conflict of interest between your attendance at the political cabinet and your duties to London?

Food poverty

Question No: 2015/1455

Fiona Twycross

To what do you attribute the further increase in visits to London food banks in the past year?

Big Green Poll

Question No: 2015/1456

Andrew Boff

In the consultation for the "Big Green Poll" how could one record a vote against any of the schemes?

DLR Trains from Beckton

Question No: 2015/1458

Andrew Boff

Would the Mayor consider running direct DLR trains from Beckton to Stratford International?

Residents' Discounted Journeys on Emirates Air Lines

Question No: 2015/1459

Andrew Boff

What consideration has been given to providing local residents with discounted journeys on the Emirates Air Line?

Royal Docks Buses Ouestion No: 2015/1460

Andrew Boff

Given the impressive speed of development of the Royal Docks, how frequently are local bus routes reviewed in order to ensure they meet the needs of local residents?

Right to Buy Housing Association Tenants

Question No: 2015/1461

Andrew Boff

In light of your invitation to attend political Cabinet, will you push for the right to buy extension for Housing Association tenants in London to be included in the Queen's Speech and implemented as soon as is practical?

Olympic Stadium concession agreement

Question No: 2015/1463

Andrew Boff

You have previously mentioned that the GLA would receive a share of any proceeds that West Ham generate from the sale of the stadium. Could you release an unredacted version of the concession agreement so that Assembly scrutiny can be applied? If you cannot release openly, could you either release just to Assembly Members or release the specific details of the compensation agreement that West Ham agreed following the sale?

GLA commercial property Ouestion No: 2015/1465

Gareth Bacon

Could you please let me know how many commercial properties the GLA and the GLA family own? Of these, could you tell me how many of these are available to rent or buy? Also, how are these properties usually acquired?

Low Carbon Entrepreneur Competition

Question No: 2015/1466

James Cleverly

What are the benefits of this scheme for London's environment and economic creativity, and what have been the impacts of previous years' winners?

Compulsory Sobriety Pilot Scheme in Croydon

Question No: 2015/1467

Kit Malthouse

Please report the current performance statistics for the compulsory sobriety pilot in Croydon. What plans do you have to expand the use of compulsory sobriety across London?

TfL Spending on Youtube Campaign

Question No: 2015/1468

Kit Malthouse

How much is TfL spending on the recent self-congratulatory youtube campaign designed to convince people that there is active and responsive management of the road network in London under the guise of a road modernisation plan?

Road Works in Central London

Ouestion No: 2015/1469

Kit Malthouse

Do you feel that the current level of disruption to road traffic caused by the unprecedented number of road works in central London is acceptable?

Installation of Spiral Escalators in Tube Stations Question No: 2015/1470

Kit Malthouse

What work has been undertaken by TfL to consider the installation of spiral escalators in stations that currently have spiral staircases and lifts such as Covent Garden?

Proposed North/South Cycle Superhighway

Question No: 2015/1471

Kit Malthouse

What work is being undertaken to extend the proposed north/south cycle superhighway north from Kings Cross to Kentish Town?

Putney Bridge Pier docking station

Question No: 2015/1473

Richard Tracey

Please provide an update on the progress on the new docking station at Putney Bridge Pier. What are the prospects of further developments in south Wandsworth?

Plantation Wharf Pier Question No: 2015/1474

Richard Tracey

What progress has been made towards the completion of the Plantation Wharf Pier?

Battersea Power Station Pier

Question No: 2015/1475

Richard Tracey

What plans are there for Battersea Power Station Pier in 2016?

Emergency Service Network

Question No: 2015/1477

Roger Evans

Following an outage on the Emergency Service Network for 40 minutes in April, what steps have been taken by the Metropolitan Police Service to ensure that the network remains operational at all times?

Computerised tomography scanners

Question No: 2015/1478

Roger Evans

Police forces around the world, such as in Australia, regularly make use of computerised tomography (CT) scanners as part of forensic pathology investigations. Has the Metropolitan Police Service used CT scanners as part of any investigations, and what provisions are in place for them to use such a service should they require it?

College of Policing Paid Membership Question No: 2015/1479

Roger Evans

The College of Policing is examining what services officers might pay for should it decide to offer anything above and beyond its current free basic membership. Have any Metropolitan Police Service officers been involved in these discussions, and what services do you feel it would be valuable for the College of Policing to offer?

Protocol for handling silent calls to the emergency services Question No: 2015/1480

Roger Evans

BT has recently asked the 999 Liaison Committee for advice on how the protocol for handling silent calls to the emergency services could be improved. What provisions do the Metropolitan Police Service have in place for handling such calls, and do you believe there are ways in which the system can be improved?

Heckler and Koch G36 assault rifle Question No: 2015/1481

Roger Evans

The reliability of the Heckler and Koch G36 assault rifle used by London's counter-terrorism police officers has been questioned after Germany's Defence Ministry claimed that the rifle "did not fulfill" requirements as in high temperatures it sometimes fires wide. What steps are the Metropolitan Police Service and you taking to ensure that the range of weapons used by London's police officers are fit for purpose and entirely reliable?

Cyber Terrorism Question No: 2015/1483

Roger Evans

There have been wide reports of individuals financially backing terrorist organisations. What support has been made available to the Metropolitan Police Service to enable them to tackle the threat of cyber-related terrorism?

Direct bus service from Sutton to Epsom Hospital Question No: 2015/1484

Steve O'Connell

TfL have refused a request to run a direct bus service from Sutton to Epsom Hospital as the costs were deemed too high. However I believe a bus route serving a hospital can override budgetary considerations. Do you agree and if so, will you instruct TfL to introduce a direct bus service to and from the hospital?

Bus service from Addiscombe to Croydon University Hospital Question No: 2015/1485

Steve O'Connell

TfL have refused to implement a direct bus service from Addiscombe to Croydon University Hospital on the grounds of prohibitive operational costs. However many hospital patients suffer mobility problems, are elderly and are unable to afford a taxi fare. Do you not agree that these factors should override budgetary constraints and if so, will you instruct TfL to implement a direct bus service to the hospital?

Misuse of police equipment **Question No: 2015/1489**

Tony Arbour

A Police and Community Support Officer in Nottinghamshire was recently convicted for selling police equipment online. Have any Metropolitan Police Service officers or staff been found to be behaving in a similar way, and what procedures are in place to prevent officers and staff from misusing equipment for their own personal gain?

Police Officer Misconduct Hearings Question No: 2015/1490

Tony Arbour

Police officers subject to misconduct hearings will now have the proceedings held in public. What preparations has the Metropolitan Police Service undertaken to facilitate the public attending misconduct hearings?

Drivers who speed Ouestion No: 2015/1491

Tony Arbour

A study by LV= has suggested that one in three motorists convicted for speeding go on to reoffend. What work has the Metropolitan Police Service undertaken to cut the number of drivers who speed, and particularly those who go on to offend after their first conviction?

Super-Hydrophobic Paint Question No: 2015/1492

Tony Arbour

Following growing concerns about individuals urinating in public, Manchester City Council is considering the introduction of super-hydrophobic paint which automatically bounces back anything sprayed at it. Such paint has already been used successfully in Hamburg, Germany. Have you considered the introduction of such paint in areas of London, and what other measures have been taken to prevent individuals urinating in public?

Police selling evidence at auctions

Question No: 2015/1493

Tony Arbour

Cumbria Police recently apologised for selling a stolen bicycle at auction before a criminal case came to court. What procedures are in place to prevent the Metropolitan Police Service from making similar mistakes?

Technology stolen from gardens or sheds Question No: 2015/1494

Tony Arbour

Freedom of Information requests recently reported in The Times suggest that the thefts of mobile phones, laptops and computers from gardens and sheds are on the rise in London. What steps is the Metropolitan Police Service taking to reduce this type of crime?

Police Fitness Test Question No: 2015/1495

Tony Arbour

Proposals to toughen up the basic police fitness test have come under criticism for being too difficult for some officers. What input as the Metropolitan Police Service had in regards to discussions about reforming the police fitness test?

TfL Step-Free Publication

Ouestion No: 2015/1496

Victoria Borwick

Across Transport for London's network the number of steps between platforms and street-level varies significantly. Would you encourage TfL to publish the number of stairs at each station between platforms and street-level in order to help passengers make informed decisions about which stations to use if they have limited mobility?

TfL Advertising Walking **Ouestion No: 2015/1497**

Victoria Borwick

In some circumstances it is easier and quicker to walk between some of London's stations rather than change lines. Would you encourage TFL to widely advertise where such circumstances exist, and encourage passengers to complete their journeys on foot?

Gatwick expansion Question No: 2015/1500

Darren Johnson

The Gatwick Airport campaign for a second runway states on http://www.qatwickobviously.com/noise that 'only 18,000 people would be additionally affected by noise if Gatwick built a new runway'. Do you agree with me that no additional people should be affected by noise resulting from any expansion, let alone 18,000 people?

Heathrow expansion - advertising Ouestion No: 2015/1501

Darren Johnson

How much has the Heathrow Airport expansion campaign spent advertising on the tube system or other parts of the TfL network?

Gatwick expansion - advertising

Question No: 2015/1502

Darren Johnson

How much has the Gatwick Airport second runway campaign spent advertising on the tube system or other parts of the TfL network?

Calls for Expansion at Heathrow

Question No: 2015/1503

Darren Johnson

In light of the forthcoming Airports Commission recommendation on new capacity in the South East of England, will you restate your opposition to any Heathrow expansion?

Heathrow - cycling Question No: 2015/1504

Darren Johnson

How true is the claim that Heathrow is the only International Airport which is currently impossible to cycle and walk to or from most of the terminal buildings? Would you support the idea of Heathrow allowing cycles on board the very frequent and free-to-use bus services in the Ride Free Zone?

Fish Island Bridge

Question No: 2015/1505

Darren Johnson

In your response to Q2014/5008 you state that a new pedestrian and cycle bridge will be provided as a planning condition to convert Monier Road bridge to vehicle access only. This proposed new cycling bridge will mean a diversion for cyclists and offers no way of avoiding the traffic generated by the proposed motor bridge. Why are cyclists being inconvenienced in this way in the Olympic Park which you promised would be a 'paradise for cycling'?

Death of cyclist at Lambeth Bridge roundabout **Question No: 2015/1506**

Darren Johnson

A 55 year old cyclist was recently killed in a collision with a tipper truck at Lambeth Bridge roundabout. Three years ago proposals for a safe, continental-style roundabout at Millbank/Lambeth Bridge were discussed at a TfL Better Junctions Design Review Group meeting. The design proposed would not have had any impact on traffic flows as the existing roundabout already has zebra crossings across all arms and all the roads into it have only moderate single stream traffic. Why have the proposals not been implemented?

Extending bike hire scheme to Highbury Corner Ouestion No: 2015/1507

Darren Johnson

To take full advantage of local changes to encourage cycling will you expand cycle hire further north, taking it to Highbury Corner straight after the current bridge works are completed, along with looking at the merits of docking stations at Nag's Head, Highbury Barn and Arsenal football ground?

Cycling target

Question No: 2015/1508

Darren Johnson

Why have you made no Mayoral announcement about abandoning your target of cycling being 5% of all trips by 2026? Does this mean that you expect the percentage of trips taken by car to rise as the population rises?

Dutch style roundabouts Question No: 2015/1509

Darren Johnson

In April 2013, Peter Hendy told the Assembly's Transport Committee that: "We are already conducting off-street trials of innovative facilities (such as eye-level traffic lights or "Dutch-style" roundabouts) which may help cyclists. If the trials are successful, and the Government permits, we will roll these out on the road network". The results from the trial roundabout, built by the Transport Research Laboratory, have not yet been published. Can you explain the delay and provide a publication date?

Westminster Council and cycling (1) Question No: 2015/1510

Darren Johnson

What reasons were given in 2013 for Westminster Council rejecting the 'initial proposals presented for Lambeth Bridge North' by Transport for London? Can you describe an outline of what those proposals were and how they would have improved safety at the roundabout?

Westminster Council and cycling (2)

Question No: 2015/1511

Darren Johnson

Can you outline the Transport for London proposals for junctions and sections of road around Victoria gyratory in 2013, which were discussed with Westminster Council. How have these proposals been progressed since then?

Inappropriate use of cyclist warning stickers Ouestion No: 2015/1512

Darren Johnson

Thank you for your answer to question 2015/0852. What steps are TfL taking specifically to get all Fleet Operator Recognition Scheme (FORS) registered vehicles below 3.5 tonnes such as small lorries, vans and cars which do not have a blind spot to remove 'cyclist stay back' stickers?

London Bus Watch Facility Ouestion No: 2015/1513

Darren Johnson

Do you support the creation of a "London BusWatch" facility on the TfL website that would allow anyone with video evidence of a TfL bus driving dangerously to upload this evidence and provide key incident details so that the incident will be immediately investigated and acted upon by TfL and its subcontractors?

Extending CIRAS to construction vehicles **Question No: 2015/1514**

Darren Johnson

Following your positive response to my question asking for yourself and TfL to consider extending CIRAS (Confidential Incident Reporting & Analysis System) to buses, if this is given the go ahead will you also give consideration to extending CIRAS to construction HGVs in London?

Marylebone Road and Nitrogen Dioxide concentrations Question No: 2015/1515

Darren Johnson

Thank you for your answer to question 2015/0033. Have you investigated the reasons behind the unusual drop in pollution around the Marylebone monitoring station and will you now publish the findings?

Inaction and safety concerns

Question No: 2015/1516

Darren Johnson

Would you support a change in the law which made clear that a local transport authority had clear liability for taking action on a junction deemed unsafe to use for certain categories of road users?

Aylesbury estate allocations (1)

Question No: 2015/1517

Darren Johnson

Can you confirm that you have allocated funding for Notting Hill Housing Trust to build 1,670 new affordable rented homes on the Aylesbury Estate?

Aylesbury estate allocations (2)

Question No: 2015/1518

Darren Johnson

Does your funding agreement with Notting Hill Housing Trust for the affordable rented homes to be built on the Aylesbury Estate specify the rent levels to be charged? If so, can you tell me what they are in cash terms and relative to market rent?

Homeless placed out of borough Ouestion No: 2015/1519

Darren Johnson

Detailed local authority figures published by DCLG show that in the two years to December 2014, homelessness generally increased in London by 21%, but the number of homeless being accommodated outside their borough increased by 75%. The figures also show that in the three months up to Dec 2014, a third of people presenting as homeless in London were placed outside their borough. Does this increase in out-of-borough placements concern you?

London Development Database figures (1)

Question No: 2015/1520

Darren Johnson

Can you provide figures from the London Development Database for the number of social rented homes (a) granted planning permission and (b) completed in each of the years 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15?

London Development Database figures (2)

Question No: 2015/1521

Darren Johnson

Can you provide figures from the London Development Database for the total number of homes of all tenures (a) granted planning permission and (b) completed in each of the years 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15?

Decent homes expenditure

Question No: 2015/1522

Darren Johnson

Could you provide a borough breakdown of the actual expenditure on Decent Homes in London for each of the financial years since 2008/09?

Other proposals for Crystal Palace Park

Question No: 2015/1523

Darren Johnson

Thank you for your answers to questions 2015/0837 and 2015/0838. In the interests of transparency, can you tell me the companies that you have been contacted by about Crystal Palace Park, and with which of those you have subsequently discussed proposals?

Crystal Palace - joining the dots (1) Ouestion No: 2015/1524

Darren Johnson

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How do you plan to take forward the 'Joining the dots' study produced by architecture 00?

Crystal Palace - joining the dots (2)

Question No: 2015/1525

Darren Johnson

The 'Joining the dots' study that you commissioned sets out a critique of a "traditional approach" of top-down solutions which "can result in projects being delivered in isolation and failing to build upon local skills and capabilities". It warns that these "risk being irrelevant or rejected". Your consultants proposed a "generative approach", and wrote that "key to this is recognising local residents as potential co-producers." Will you therefore begin more open discussions with the putative Neighbourhood Forum and Crystal Palace Park trust to shift to this generative approach?

Archway Gyratory (1) Question No: 2015/1526

Darren Johnson

Can you explain the logic in stopping traffic from turning right from St John's Way onto the A1? What are the advantages of doing this and how do these compare to the downsides of sending the traffic through residential roads instead? Can you share your assessment of what would happen if only buses were allowed to turn right at that point, taking into account that this would allow the 210 to call at the same bus stop as the 271, 143 and W5 travelling up Highgate Hill?

Archway Gyratory (2) Question No: 2015/1527

Darren Johnson

Can you explain any disadvantages to running the northbound routes (some or all of 4, 17, 390, and 41) to the Magdala Avenue entrance to the Whittington Hospital before turning in the entrance bay and standing on Magdala Avenue or Highgate Hill?

Archway Gyratory (3) Question No: 2015/1528

Darren Johnson

Can you explain any disadvantages to running the smaller W5 and 143 buses to terminate and stand in Pemberton Gardens by the Archway Market and have them interchange with Upper Holloway Overground station?

Archway Gyratory (4) Question No: 2015/1529

Darren Johnson

Do you agree that if buses were allowed to turn right from St John's Way onto the A1, this would enable the introduction of two-way cycling in Macdonald and Vorley Roads?

Archway Gyratory (5) Question No: 2015/1530

Darren Johnson

The current proposals moves bus stops away from the tube station and across busy roads, and separate routes travelling in the same direction. Can you explain any disadvantages to the idea of creating a bus stop on the central 'island' for all routes travelling up Archway Road, either on St John's Way outside the old Methodist Hall/Cinema, or around the corner on Archway Road where there are currently four lanes of traffic plus a generous traffic island and slip road?

Archway Gyratory (6) Question No: 2015/1531

Darren Johnson

Can you explain why there is no room for a two-way cycle section between St John's Way and Junction Road, at the top of Holloway Road?

Archway Gyratory (7) Question No: 2015/1532

Darren Johnson

What is the logic of not continuing the cycle routes to points of demand like the hospital, further up Archway Road, and into side turnings, notably Giesbach Road off Holloway Road and Despard Road off Archway Road, as these last two leading to informal routes used by cyclists?

Archway Gyratory (8) Question No: 2015/1533

Darren Johnson

What are the downsides of simplifying the proposed crossings by removing all traffic islands and replacing them with single straight-across crossings with separate, and parallel pedestrian and cycle lanes?

Night tube - potential disruption to residents Ouestion No: 2015/1534

Darren Johnson

Before deciding to go ahead with all night running on five tube lines, did TfL consult people living alongside overland sections of track and those living close to major tube stations to get their views on the potential noise impacts of these changes?

Electoral reform

Question No: 2015/1535

Darren Johnson

Do you agree that the representative nature of the London Assembly demonstrates the need for electoral reform in the House of Commons?

Breathe better together campaign and schools Ouestion No: 2015/1536

Jenny Jones

Thank you for your answer to my question 2015/0485 about the Breath Better Together campaign in which you state that your team will be signing up "schools, businesses and individuals to receive direct alerts when pollution is Moderate or High." Can you list how many (a) individuals, (b) primary schools and (c) secondary schools are now signed up? For (b) and (c) can you also tell me what proportion of all schools in their category they represent?

Advertising Standards Agency ruling

Question No: 2015/1537

Jenny Jones

What is the estimated London wide impact of the proposed ULEZ on emissions of nitrogen dioxide and nitrogen oxide? Will you ensure that all future publicity uses a London wide figure?

Particulate filter removal Question No: 2015/1538

Jenny Jones

Your approach to pollution reduction relies upon a switch to lower emission vehicles and the fitting of DPF devices. Unfortunately these can be taken off, which means that there is an unknown number of vehicles in London which only comply with emissions standards on paper, rather than in reality. This potentially undermines London's attempts to reduce the impact of pollution on health. I was therefore surprised to discover that Transport for London has no plans to address this issue, or to test out new devices which can identify DPF removal in car fleets such as the taxi and private hire fleets which it regulates. Will you ask them to change their approach?

Environment Audit Committee Question No: 2015/1539

Jenny Jones

Thank you for your answer to my question 2015/0484, will you now publish the full analysis of air pollution concentrations and amend your press statements accordingly?

Emergency Measures to tackle noxious smog in Paris Ouestion No: 2015/1540

Jenny Jones

Emergency measures introduced in Paris to tackle noxious smog have been reported as reducing traffic jams by up to 40 per cent during the recent smog episode in Paris. Are you evaluating these measures and their potential for London?

Smog warnings in London Question No: 2015/1541

Jenny Jones

During the smog episode in London on the 17th March 2015, why didn't you use your 'MayorofLondon' twitter account, reaching over 1.2 million followers, to put out your air pollution warning, in addition to the City Hall Environment account, which only reaches a few thousand?

Smog warnings in London Question No: 2015/1542

Jenny Jones

Why didn't you discourage people from making unnecessary car journeys during the last air pollution episode, in addition to telling those most at risk to stay indoors?

Prosecution of car drivers (1)

Question No: 2015/1543

Jenny Jones

Do you believe that the failure of a cyclist or pedestrian to wear high visibility clothing is grounds for the Metropolitan Police Service not to pursue a driver who injured and killed them?

Prosecution of car drivers (2)

Question No: 2015/1544

Jenny Jones

Given the Met Police view (expressed in relation to the death of Michael Mason) that certain roads in central London are so full of lights and distractions that we should not expect drivers to necessarily see cyclists equipped with the legally required lights. Will you ask the Met Police to formally identify such roads so that the speed limit can be reduced to 10mph, so that cyclists who are run over are less likely to die or sustain serious injuries?

Prosecution of car drivers (3)

Question No: 2015/1545

Jenny Jones

Do you believe that there should be no prosecution of drivers in London in cases where a cyclist they collided with suffered head injuries, but was not wearing a helmet?

London Green Fund Question No: 2015/1546

Jenny Jones

Can you give a list of all the projects that have been funded through the London Green Fund? Please indicate the loan amount for each, and the projects that include solar PV.

Commitments to install Solar PV capacity

Question No: 2015/1547

Jenny Jones

With reference to your letter to me regarding my proposal to set up a Solar PV Delivery Unit (dated 25 March 2015) you stated that 'Since 2010, 230,000m2 of solar photovoltaic panels, equating to approximately 22MW of new electrical capacity, has been committed to be installed across more than 350 large scale developments as a result of my London Plan carbon targets'. How much has actually been installed?

Solar PV delivery - any new resources Question No: 2015/1548

Jenny Jones

With reference to your letter to me regarding my proposal to set up a Solar PV Delivery Unit (dated 25 March 2015) you stated that you 'consider RE:NEW and RE:FIT adequate GLA delivery mechanisms for Solar PV at this present time'. Have you allocated any new dedicated staff resources or funding within these programmes in 2015/16 to deliver solar PV?

Dealing with e-waste Question No: 2015/1549

Jenny Jones

In light of the recent United Nations University report identifying the UK as among the world's most profligate producers of electrical waste (e-waste), what is the London Waste and Recycling Board doing to encourage the recycling and reuse of discarded mobile phones, microwaves and other large white electrical goods which can contain hazardous and toxic contents and often illegally exported to countries such as Nigeria, Ghana and the Ivory Coast?

Mayor of Paris's climate change meeting on 26th March Question No: 2015/1550

Jenny Jones

You sent your Environment Advisor to represent you at the Mayor of Paris's summit of Mayors from European Capital Cities in preparation for the UN climate summit in December. What was the outcome of this meeting, what new commitments did you sign up to in order to help tackle climate change, and how will these be implemented?

UNFCC Conference of Parties in Paris (1)

Question No: 2015/1551

Jenny Jones

Have you made a decision yet about personally attending the UNFCC Conference of Parties in Paris in December?

UNFCC Conference of Parties in Paris - role of London Question No: 2015/1552

Jenny Jones

What initiatives are you currently working on to highlight the role of London in tackling Climate Change at the Paris conference in December?

UNFCC Conference of Parties in Paris (2)

Question No: 2015/1553

Jenny Jones

What representations will you make to the new government to highlight the importance of cities and climate change in terms of their input into the EU negotiating position at Paris?

Cost of converting Olympic stadium Question No: 2015/1554

Jenny Jones

What is your estimate for the cost of converting the Olympic Stadium to enable it to function as a football stadium? How much of this is funded from non GLA sources?

Olympic Stadium - tenders for contracts Question No: 2015/1555

Jenny Jones

Have all tenders for contracts for the completion of works at the Olympic Stadium now been completed? What are the remaining blocks on publication of information about the costs of these contracts?

Under-cover operations Ouestion No: 2015/1556

Jenny Jones

The Mayoral Dashboard has a breakdown for the percentage of MPS under-cover operations broken down by category. 5% of operations are classified as 'other'. Can you explain what this category covers?

Use of Tasers on emotionally or mentally distressed people (1) Question No: 2015/1557

Jenny Jones

What was the total number of deployments of Tasers by the Metropolitan Police Service against Emotionally or Mentally Distressed (EMD) people in 2013 and 2014 and what proportion of the total deployments is this?

Use of Tasers on emotionally or mentally distressed people (2) **Question No: 2015/1558**

Jenny Jones

Is there any indication in the 2015 figures that the number of Emotionally or Mentally Distressed (EMD) people subject to Taser has fallen since the Home Secretary, Theresa May, order an in-depth review of the use of force by police, especial against people with mental health problems?

Taser Use

Question No: 2015/1559

Jenny Jones

Are there any instances of a Taser being fired and hitting a suspect as they were facing away from the officer (i.e. in the back, back of legs, or bottom) in 2014? If so, how many?

London Overground Class172 Fleet (1) Question No: 2015/1560

Caroline Pidgeon

Please supply details of the number of failures in service of Class172 trains for the last six months for each of the following reasons:

- 1. Failure of Driver Only Operation equipment (including externally mounted CCTV cameras)
- 2. Failure of external passenger plug doors
- 3. Failure of train radio
- 4. Failure for any other defect

London Overground Class172 Fleet (2)

Question No: 2015/1561

Caroline Pidgeon

Is TfL making arrangements for the continued use of the Angel Trains Class172/0 fleet should LOROL not be reappointed to operate the London Rail Concession beyond 2016?