

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

REQUEST FOR MAYORAL DECISION – MD3104

MD3104: Corrections to March 2023 fare changes

Executive summary:

On 26 January 2023, in Mayoral Decision (MD3083), the Mayor approved changes to the fares to be charged for using public passenger transport services on the Transport for London (TfL) network, and directed TfL to charge these with effect from 5 March.

That Mayoral Decision and its accompanying Direction contained administrative errors that resulted in some fares being stated incorrectly. This paper identifies these errors and corrects them, by asking the Mayor to revoke the erroneous Direction and issue a new corrected Direction, to be implemented with effect from 5 March 2023.

The corrections do not change the overall average increase on TfL fares under the Mayor's control of 5.9 per cent, in line with the national rail fares increase as assumed in the government's 30 August 2022 funding agreement for TfL and approved in MD3083. This Mayoral Decision (MD3104) and its accompanying Direction therefore continues to adhere to that overall fares increase.

Decision:

The Mayor:

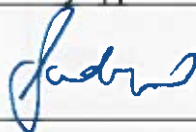
- approves the proposed revisions to fares to be implemented from 5 March 2023 as set out in MD3083, but corrected as set out in Tables 1.1 to 1.3 of this Mayoral Decision (MD3104)
- revokes the Direction to TfL issued under Mayoral Decision MD3083
- signs the Direction to TfL (attached as Appendix 1) issued pursuant to the power in section 155 (1)(c) of the Greater London Authority Act 1999 to implement these fares from 5 March 2023.

Mayor of London

I confirm that I do not have any disclosable pecuniary interests in the proposed decision and take the decision in compliance with the Code of Conduct for elected Members of the Authority.

The above request has my approval.

Signature:



Date:

28/2/23

PART I – NON-CONFIDENTIAL FACTS AND ADVICE TO THE MAYOR

Decision required – supporting report

1. Introduction and background

- 1.1. On 26 January 2023, in MD3083, the Mayor approved the fares to be charged on the TfL network and directed TfL to charge these with effect from 5 March. The original Mayoral Decision and Direction are attached as Appendix 2.
- 1.2. That Mayoral Decision and its accompanying Direction contained administrative errors that resulted in some fares being stated incorrectly. This paper identifies these errors and corrects them.
- 1.3. The corrections do not change the overall average increase on TfL fares under the Mayor's control of 5.9 per cent approved in MD3083. This Mayoral Decision (MD3104) and its accompanying Direction therefore continues to adhere to that overall fares increase.
- 1.4. The Mayor is asked to approve the proposed revisions to fares set out in MD3083, but corrected in line with the below, to be implemented from 5 March 2023.

The errors to be corrected

- 1.5. The three tables (1.1-1.3) below identify the administrative errors contained in MD3083 and its accompanying Direction¹, and identify the correct fares that the Mayor is now asked to approve and which will be incorporated in the new Direction to TfL that the Mayor is asked to approve under this Mayoral Decision (MD3104).

Table 1.1: Administrative errors for adult PAYG fares for TfL rail network journeys contained in Schedule A to the Direction issued under MD3083, with correction identified for incorporation in new Direction

Ticket/Zones	PAYG Peak		Error (pounds)
	Original (in error) March 2023	Correction March 2023	
67	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10
6789	£2.80	£2.90	£0.10
678W	£2.80	£2.90	£0.10
78	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10
89	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10
8W	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10
Ticket/Zones	PAYG Off-peak		Error (pounds)
	Original (in error) March 2023	Correction March 2023	
67	£1.80	£1.90	£0.10
678	£2.00	£2.10	£0.10
7	£1.70	£1.80	£0.10
78	£1.80	£1.90	£0.10
789	£1.90	£2.00	£0.10
78W	£1.90	£2.00	£0.10

¹ Tables 1.1 – 1.3 identify and correct the errors with reference to the Schedules attached to the Direction issued under MD3083. While some of these errors also appeared in table A4 to MD3083, table A4 was a condensed summary of the relevant fares contained in the Schedules and should be deemed to be corrected by virtue of the corrections to the Schedules to identified in Tables 1.1-1.3.

89	£1.80	£1.90	£0.10
8W	£1.80	£1.90	£0.10

Table 1.2: Administrative errors for adult PAYG fares for Liverpool Street rail services contained in Schedule B to the Direction issued under MD3083, with correction identified for incorporation in new Direction

Ticket/Zones	PAYG Peak		Error (pounds)
	Original (in error) March 2023	Correction March 2023	
Zones 2-4	£2.90	£2.80	-£0.10
Zones 2-5	£3.10	£3.00	-£0.10
Zones 2-6	£3.50	£3.40	-£0.10
Zones 3-5	£2.90	£2.80	-£0.10
Zones 3-6	£3.10	£3.00	-£0.10
Zones 4-6	£2.90	£2.80	-£0.10

Table 1.3: Administrative error for adult PAYG fares for Liverpool Street rail services omitted in oversight from Schedule B to the Direction issued under MD3083, with correction identified for incorporation in new Direction

Ticket/Zones	PAYG		Change (pounds)	Change (%)	PAYG		Change (pounds)	Change (%)
	Peak*				Off-peak*			
	Current	March 2023			Current	March 2023		
Zones 4-8 Ch	£3.60	£3.80	£0.20	5.6%	£2.80	£3.00	£0.20	7.1%

2. Objectives and expected outcomes

- 2.1 The objectives and expected outcomes remain as stated in the original Mayoral Decision attached in Appendix 2. The administrative errors have no impact on this aspect.

3. Equality comments

- 3.1. The administrative errors identified above are not considered to materially change the assessment of the equality impact of the fares changes approved in MD3083 and identified in section 3 of that Mayoral Decision. When making this decision (MD3104), the Mayor is asked to have due regard to this and the equality impacts contained in section 3 of MD3083, attached as Appendix 2.

4. Other considerations

- 4.1 There are no additional risks or issues resulting from those identified and described in the original Mayoral Decision.
- 4.2 GLA officers consider that implementation risks are minimal.

5. Financial comments

- 5.1 The corrections do not change the overall average increase on TfL fares under the Mayor's control of 5.9 per cent approved in MD3083. This Mayoral Decision (MD3104) and its accompanying Direction therefore continue to adhere to that overall fares increase, and continue to ensure that TfL receives the level of funding assumed in the 30 August funding agreement and the 2023 TfL Business Plan over the period to 31 March 2024.
- 5.2 All existing concessions will be maintained and will be funded in the TfL budget until the end of the current financial year, and in the TfL Business Plan for 2023-24.
- 5.3 There are no direct financial consequences for the GLA: Mayor budget arising from this decision.

6. Legal comments

- 6.1 The Mayor may issue general directions, under section 155(1)(b) of the GLA Act, as to the manner in which TfL is to exercise its functions, as well as, under section 155(1)(c), specific directions as to the exercise of TfL's functions. Under section 174(1) of the GLA Act, the Mayor is under a duty to exercise his powers under section 155(1), so as to ensure that the general level and structure of fares for public passenger transport services (provided by TfL or other persons who provide services under agreement with TfL) are determined. This decision is consistent with those statutory obligations.
- 6.2 Under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010, due regard must be had, when the Mayor exercises a function such as the making of this decision, to the equality obligations referred to in section 3, "Equality Comments" of MD3083, and also section 3, "Equality comments", of this report. Consideration is given in those sections to the likely effects of the corrected fare proposals on protected groups, and the Mayor must have regard to these matters when taking this Mayoral Decision.
- 6.3 The Mayor is not required to conduct a consultation in relation to the fares proposals.

7 Planned delivery approach and next steps

Activity	Timeline
Mayoral Decision and Direction to TfL	28 February 2023
Delivery start date	5 March 2023

Appendices and supporting papers:

Appendix 1: Direction to TfL with corrected values

Appendix 2: Signed MD3083 March Fares Revision

Public access to information

Information in this form (Part 1) is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA) and will be made available on the GLA website within one working day of approval.

If immediate publication risks compromising the implementation of the decision (for example, to complete a procurement process), it can be deferred until a specific date. Deferral periods should be kept to the shortest length strictly necessary. **Note:** This form (Part 1) will either be published within one working day after it has been approved or on the defer date.

Part 1 – Deferral

Is the publication of Part 1 of this approval to be deferred? No

Part 2 – Sensitive information

Only the facts or advice that would be exempt from disclosure under the FoIA should be included in the separate Part 2 form, together with the legal rationale for non-publication.

Is there a part 2 form – No

ORIGINATING OFFICER DECLARATION:

Drafting officer to
confirm the
following (✓)

Drafting officer:

Catherine Seaborn has drafted this report in accordance with GLA procedures and confirms the following:

✓

Sponsoring Director:

Philip Graham has reviewed the request and is satisfied it is correct and consistent with the Mayor's plans and priorities.

✓

Mayoral Adviser:

Seb Dance has been consulted about the proposal and agrees the recommendations.

✓

Advice:

The Finance and Legal teams have commented on this proposal.

✓

Corporate Investment Board

This decision was agreed by the Corporate Investment Board on 27 February 2023.

✓

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, RESOURCES:

I confirm that financial and legal implications have been appropriately considered in the preparation of this report.

Signature:

Date:

D. Gane

28/02/2023

CHIEF OF STAFF:

I am satisfied that this is an appropriate request to be submitted to the Mayor.

Signature:

Date:

D. Bellamy

27/02/2023

