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Dear Andrew,

Thank you for your sharing the London Assembly's Motion on Vision Zero.

As you know, the Mayor's Transport Strategy sets out the goal that, by 2041, all deaths and serious injuries will be eliminated from London's transport network. TfL is responsible for delivering the strategy, with the MPS providing relevant support. We have set out in the Annex to this letter the steps we are taking to support delivery.

Please accept my apologies for the delay to this reply, it has taken us longer than we would have liked to come back to you.

Yours sincerely,



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Annex

Motion 3.7 - Vision Zero Targets

“This Assembly notes that sadly 3,961 people were killed or seriously injured on London’s roads in 2022. The interim Vision Zero target for 2022, set by the Mayor in 2018 was that there should be a 65 per cent reduction in deaths and serious injuries on London’s roads, but to date the reduction has been 38 per cent.

This Assembly notes the scale of the challenge to reach the Mayor’s interim 2022 Vision Zero Target.

This Assembly stands with all victims of road traffic collisions and their families, supports all efforts to reduce the danger on London’s roads, and welcomes the Mayor’s recent announcement of a one year pilot scheme to support the victims of the most serious road collisions.

This Assembly calls on the Mayor, the whole GLA group, councils in London, the police and the Government to work together to reduce road danger, and bring down the toll of death and serious injury on our streets to help achieve Vision Zero.

This Assembly calls on the Mayor to give an update to Londoners on how Vision Zero will now be reached, and any further interim targets.”

The MPS, led by the Roads & Transport Policing Command (RTPC), is determined to prevent the tragic loss of life on London’s roads. As part of this, we are supporting City Hall and TfL in their ambition to deliver Vision Zero.

As you know, Vision Zero was introduced in 2018 with the ambition of eliminating all road deaths and serious injuries by 2041. The MPS is pleased to be supporting various partners to help deliver this strategy and save lives.

In 2022, there were a total of 3,961 fatalities and injuries on London’s roads. This fell to 3,710 in 2023 (the most recent year for which full data is available). This reduction reflects a continuing downward trend, with an overall reduction of 5,400 fatalities and injuries since 2017. Further, in 2023 the total number of fatalities on London’s roads fell below triple figures for the first time since 2017 (excluding the COVID period).

For the period 1st January to 30th November 2024, there were 94 fatalities and 3,305 serious injuries on London’s roads. Data for the remaining four months of 2024 will be released in the coming months. The data will available via TfL’s Road Danger Reduction Dashboard: [Road safety data - Transport for London \(tfl.gov.uk\)](https://www.tfl.gov.uk/road-safety-data).

To help support the delivery of Vision Zero, the MPS has taken a number of steps. Some examples of action include:

Engagement and education:

- In partnership with other blue light services, local authorities and TfL, the MPS Cycle Safety Team has delivered the Junior Citizen Scheme to primary school aged children with the aim of educating them about road safety. In the 2023/24 academic year, this training was delivered to 9,737 children from 235 primary schools.
- During 2024, the Motorcycle Safety Team engaged with 60 gig economy couriers via the Courier-Safe Initiative. This new initiative aims to work with courier riders and operators to raise awareness of road dangers and the importance of safer riding.

Enforcement:

- In 2024, RTPC:
 - Arrested 1,492 individuals for drink/drug driving;
 - Issued 4,093 Traffic Offence Reports (TORs) for mobile phone usage;
 - Issued 3,953 Traffic Offence Reports (TORs) for no seatbelt offences;
 - Issued 5,788 Traffic Offence Reports (TORs) for speeding; and
 - Processed 8,810 vehicles being used without a valid insurance policy.
- MPS intelligence mapping of high-risk road users supported the revocation of 911 licences by the DVLA relating to drivers who pose a significant danger to other road users.

Engineering:

- Our Road Safety Engineering Unit works with the highways authority, strategic partners and MPS colleagues following all fatal collisions. This work includes reviewing road layout to establish potential engineering solutions to prevent repeat incidents. In 2024, the team advised on 17 road design changes. These range from minor 'signs and lines' to major redevelopments to improve road safety.
- The Road Safety Engineering Unit reviews c. 22,000 pieces of correspondence each year on behalf of the Metropolitan Police Commissioner covering suggestions for new traffic schemes and temporary road works to ensure they are legal, safe (especially for vulnerable road users) and will not result in undue delay and/or an excessive enforcement burden on police and other emergency services.

Following the sixth anniversary of Vision Zero, the MPS will continue to support City Hall and TfL on refreshing the strategy to further build on the progress to date, make London's roads even safer and save more lives.