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Dear Caroline,

## **London Assembly (Plenary) Meeting 05 December 2024 – Motions**

Thank you for your letter about the motions agreed at the London Assembly (Plenary) meeting on 5 December 2024. My reply to motion 3.6 is set out below and I am sorry for the delay.

### **Motion 3.6 – Electrical Safety First**

Fires on e-bikes and e-scooters are one of London's fastest growing fire risks, and I support London Fire Brigade's (LFB) #Chargesafe campaign to inform Londoners of the risks.

LFB has long called for regulation to increase product safety and increased safeguards. LFB, Transport for London (TfL) and I welcome the Government's Product Regulation and Metrology Bill, which seeks to address the sale of unsafe products on online marketplaces, as well as the Government's commitment to ensuring the safeguarding of emerging risks in the future.

LFB has also been calling for online marketplaces to do more to protect consumers from buying dangerous products. Recently, the Brigade has worked with Amazon to include safety advice for consumers on how to use, store and charge the products bought on the site and in post-purchase alerts.

In the context of this risk, as well as two recent fires on TfL property, TfL has been working closely with LFB and other partners to carry out a comprehensive review of the safety of e-bikes and their suitability for carriage on the TfL transport network. As of 31 March 2025, non-folded e-bikes will not be permitted on most TfL services.

TfL's analysis suggests that cycles that have been adapted using electronic conversion kits pose a greater fire risk than purpose-built e-bikes; however, it can be hard to differentiate between modified and un-modified e-bikes. Until improved product safety measures are in place for converted cycles, batteries and chargers, a ban is necessary for all non-folded e-bikes.

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I welcome the call for resources for monitoring and compliance of the correct safety standards for e-bikes, e-scooters, and their components across London, which would be aided by the future regulation of these products by the Government's Product Regulation and Metrology Bill.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sadiq Khan', with a small '2' written below the 'h'.

**Sir Sadiq Khan**  
Mayor of London