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Dear Andrew,

Thank you for your letters dated 18 March 2026 to me and the Mayor of London regarding bleed kits on London buses, following the motion you put to the London Assembly plenary on 5 March 2026. Please accept my apology for the delay in replying to you on this important matter.

The safety of customers and staff is our top priority, and we are constantly looking at how best to keep people safe. We always seek to work with our partners and follow advice from experts including in matters relating to health and emergency response. The current advice from the NHS is that standard first aid kits are sufficient for most bleeding wounds.

The NHS also highlights that the effective use of bleed kits requires appropriate training and there is a risk of significant harm if tourniquets, which are usually included in bleed kits, are not used correctly. The NHS recommends that the most important and effective bystander intervention is to apply continuous direct pressure to the site of bleeding and call 999 immediately. Based on this expert advice, we are not currently planning to roll out or promote bleed kits across our network but we continue to keep our position under review in response to expert advice.

All TfL stations and staffed bus stations are equipped with first aid kits. We continue to keep the further provision of first aid kits and other equipment, including bleed kits, under review, taking into account any changes to the NHS's national or London-wide guidance.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andy Lord', written over a white background.

Andy Lord