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Dear Hina,

Thank you for sharing the petition regarding South Wimbledon Tube station.

I am proud of Transport for London's (TfL) ongoing work to make the capital's transport network more accessible. More than a third of the Tube network, over half of London Overground stations and all Elizabeth line stations, DLR stations and tram stops now have step-free access, but I know we have more work to do. TfL recently confirmed that five additional Tube stations will be assessed for step-free access feasibility, adding to the 40 Tube stations currently in the feasibility or design stages.

Step-free access schemes come with significant costs – upwards of £10m for relatively straightforward schemes – and take several years to deliver. As such, TfL has to prioritise how it allocates its limited resources to progress delivery of step-free access across the entire network. TfL prioritises stations based on customer benefits, deliverability, network coverage and the local development and regeneration context. Delivery of schemes also depends on TfL's funding position, with schemes prioritised where there is significant third-party funding available.

A pre-feasibility study was undertaken in autumn 2023 to consider which of the 12 stations on the Northern line between Borough and South Wimbledon would be best suited for step-free investment.

While South Wimbledon was assessed as being the least complex to deliver, both Colliers Wood and Tooting Broadway had significantly higher benefit levels and a stronger overall combination of deliverability and benefit, which is why TfL made the decision to undertake full feasibility studies at these two stations.

While TfL is not investigating the feasibility of step-free access at South Wimbledon at this stage, we acknowledge there is a strong desire for this scheme among your constituents and remain open to exploring opportunities to progress step-free access at the station in the future. As mentioned above, schemes may be prioritised where there is significant third-party funding available, and TfL is open to discussions on this.

Yours sincerely,



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