London Assembly (Plenary) – 2 July 2026 – A4 Cycle Path - Petition Response

Dear Gareth,

Thank you for submitting this petition and sharing residents' views regarding cycle infrastructure in West London. As London's Walking & Cycling Commissioner, the Mayor has asked me to respond.

Transport for London (TfL) and I value hearing the perspectives of local residents and understanding areas of concern as it helps TfL to maintain existing infrastructure as well as feed into decisions around new schemes and projects to enable safe active travel.

As set out in the Mayor's Transport Strategy, the goal is for 80% of all trips in London to be made on foot, by cycle or using public transport by 2041. Safe and good quality cycling infrastructure across London is crucial in making this ambition possible.

I have passed the request for resurfacing the route onto TfL's assets team, so they can feed it into their work programme. For background, TfL carries out regular safety inspections and undertakes remedial work such as resurfacing as appropriate through safety inspections on its roads. Inspections are a risk-based assessment depending on highway use (i.e. road type and use, miles per hour) and the assessed risk level. Any asset safety defects found are made safe and repaired, with priority given to those with the highest risk level, following national guidance. This includes maintenance of footways and cycle infrastructure along these routes. Specific issues or areas of concern can be reported directly to TfL using its online Streetcare tool.

In terms of wider changes to the road network, TfL and boroughs in the area have put in place several cycling schemes around the A4/M4 corridor, which includes the C40 route which crosses the A4 and provides a link between Ealing and C9 in Brentford. TfL is also working on proposals for cycle infrastructure as part of redevelopment plans near Chiswick Roundabout as well as for the extension of C9 to Hounslow, which - like the Great West Road – runs east/west towards Hounslow and for which a consultation is now open. I would encourage you to respond. The London Borough of Ealing is developing a scheme around Boston Manor Road between the A4 and Uxbridge Road. In addition, TfL is actively working on proposals for a new pedestrian crossing at the A4 Great West Road/Jersey Road junction, to improve road safety and connectivity between either side of the main road.

I note the request around upgrades to the crossings at Gillette Corner. TfL has given careful consideration to safety concerns and the ask for crossings, but unfortunately, at present, it is not possible to prioritise changes at this location. With limited funding, TfL

must deliver schemes that are the most feasible, affordable and will have the greatest impact on reducing road danger. At this time and given the limited funding available, there are other locations across London which are a higher priority. I appreciate this will be disappointing to you and your constituents. Please be assured that TfL regularly re-assesses prospective schemes and interventions across London's transport and road network against a range of datasets, to ensure that funding is used in the most impactful way.

With regard to the litter and other debris on the route, I understand how that shapes people's interest in using it. I would encourage you to speak directly to the borough to understand the corridor as it is their responsibility, as set out in the Environmental Protection Act.

Through TfL, The Mayor provides funding to London's boroughs to deliver interventions on their streets which support the Mayor's Transport Strategy in creating safer and healthier streets. For this financial year (2026/7), the boroughs of Hounslow and Richmond have been allocated a combined total of almost £4 million of funding (known as Local Implementation Plan funding). TfL officers will also continue to work with officers from the boroughs to develop schemes on their and its own roads to improve safety and encourage healthy, sustainable and active travel going forward.

I would encourage your constituents to continue to engage with TfL and the borough on key locations for interventions.

Yours sincerely,

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