

MAYOR OF LONDON

Dr Alison Moore AM

Chair, London Assembly Transport Committee
City Hall
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Date: 8 February 2021

Dear Alison,

Thank you for your letter of 29 January regarding the Bishopsgate Judicial Review.

The Mayor, myself and Transport for London (TfL) are disappointed with the court's ruling and are seeking to appeal this judgment. Temporary schemes are enabling safer essential journeys during this exceptionally challenging time and are vital to ensuring that increased car traffic does not threaten London's recovery from the coronavirus pandemic.

TfL is now considering their next steps and would be happy to discuss with the committee in more detail once proceedings have concluded.

I have answered the Committee's specific questions below:

1. **What immediate steps is TfL taking in response to the judgment?** Following the judgment on the 20 January, TfL has been carefully reviewing the findings and preparing to seek permission to appeal the judgment. On 28 January TfL met with borough delivery partners' transport and legal officers to provide an update. TfL also wrote to them to raise awareness of the contents of the judgment. A copy of this email is attached for reference.
2. **When will TfL seek to appeal the judgment?** TfL has until the 10 February to seek permission to appeal the judgment. We will then await the outcome of the court's decision.
3. **What impact does the judgment have on the status of existing Streetspace schemes in London?** Pending any appeal, there is a stay of action which means TfL's interim guidance and the Bishopsgate scheme can remain in place. No findings were made about the lawfulness of other Borough schemes so they can also remain in place. It is up to individual Boroughs to consider what is appropriate.
4. **What impact does the judgment have on the development of Streetspace schemes that are planned to be implemented in the next three months?** The judgment does not prevent the development of any future schemes, however, TfL is

taking the judgment into account when finalising the design and delivery of their remaining schemes on the Transport for London Road Network, funded by the Government's Emergency Active Travel Fund.

I hope this is helpful. Thank you again for writing.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Heidi Alexander', with a stylized, flowing script.

Heidi Alexander

Deputy Mayor for Transport

Encl. Email to boroughs about the Bishopsgate judgement