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Dear Sir Peter,

London Assembly Transport Committee, 25 February 2015

I am writing on behalf of the Transport Committee to thank you for attending our meeting on 25 February to discuss a range of issues, in particular following up our report on taxi and private hire services in London. We are grateful to you for battling through your cough to answer all our questions.

During the course of the discussion the Committee noted the following undertakings from you, on which we would be grateful for a written response:

- As a matter of urgency, to provide the Committee with details of the sum of money Transport for London (TfL) was committing for Mini-Hollands, Quiet Ways and other cycling programmes in each borough, as requested after the Committee's meeting on 10 December 2014;
- To ask the Mayor if he is willing to publish minutes from the Cabbies Cabinet and to recommend external observers;
- To keep the Committee informed on progress with discussions with the Department for Transport and Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency about marking of licensed private hire vehicles;
- To supply, if possible, a copy of the legal advice received about the legality of Uber's operation as a private hire service and the name of the QC who provided the advice;
- To provide an assessment after six months of progress with the backlog of taxi ranks requested by London boroughs;
- To respond to the Committee's anecdotal evidence of customers at stations where the ticket office has already closed being redirected to staff to nearby stations with open ticket offices;
- To provide details of progress on the town centre pedestrian safety pilot programme, including potential locations; and
- To provide details of how TfL would be working with stakeholders to develop a 'gold standard' for pedestrian crossings.

With regard to the details of funding for each borough on cycling initiatives, the Committee would be grateful to receive your response by Friday 6 March 2015. With regard to the other undertakings, the Committee would be grateful to receive your response by Wednesday 25 March 2015.

I will write again shortly to follow up Transport for London's response to our report, *Future proof – taxi and private hire services in London*.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Caroline Pidgeon', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

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