MAYOR OF LONDON

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Dear Caroline,

Thank you for forwarding the petition, presented at the London Assembly (Plenary) meeting on 6 September, calling for Watford Junction, Watford High Street, Watford Metropolitan, Bushey and Carpenders Park stations to be rezoned to Zone 6.

I understand the desire to see this change and appreciate that this would result in lower fares for local residents. However, there are no plans to make changes to the zoning of individual stations.

I am instead focused on making travel affordable for all Londoners by, for example, freezing all Transport for London (TfL) fares to 2020, maintaining all of its travel concessions, including the 60+ free travel scheme and those for young people, and introducing the unlimited Hopper bus fare. These policies will help to save people money across the capital, rather than focusing on a specific area. This is already making life easier for millions of people and is ensuring that London becomes a more affordable city for all.

It is extremely rare that TfL and I would decide to re-zone stations, largely due to revenue impacts and concerns raised by the National Rail Train Operating Companies and the Department for Transport, who would need to agree to any changes.

Yours sincerely,

Sadiq Khan
Mayor of London