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PRIORITY ORDER PAPER

Report No: 4

Subject: Questions to the Mayor

Report of: Executive Director of Secretariat

Questions not asked during Mayor's Question Time will be given a written response by
Monday 19 September 2011

Priority questions on the public disorder incidents which took place in London in August 2011

The following priority questions which relate to the public disorder incidents which took place in London in August 2011 will be put to the Mayor at the start of the meeting.

Supporting police

Question No: 2607 / 2011

[Steve O'Connell](#)

What can be done to give police the confidence to act pre-emptively in riots in order to prevent, rather than react to, violence and illegality?

Gangs in London

Question No: 2456 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

What are you doing to ensure that all London boroughs and the police can properly resource initiatives that reduce gang membership and criminality?

Arson, violence and robbery

Question No: 2644 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Are you completely satisfied with your response to the recent disturbances across London?

Rioting in London – impact on economy

Question No: 2466 / 2011

[Dee Doocey](#)

What assessment has been made of the economic impact of the riots in London?

Riot-training

Question No: 2611 / 2011

[Roger Evans](#)

Do you think all police should receive riot-training?

Government recovery fund

Question No: 2579 / 2011

[Richard Tracey](#)

Does the Mayor agree that Clapham should be included in the £20 million recovery fund put together for Tottenham and Croydon by the Government?

Priority questions on all other areas which fall within the Mayor's remit for London

Once Assembly Members have received answers to the priority questions set out above the remaining priority questions below will be put to the Mayor.

2012 fares decision

Question No: 2639 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Are you still proposing to increase transport fares next year by RPI +2%?

LIP process

Question No: 2630 / 2011

[Brian Coleman](#)

Does the Mayor consider the LIP process satisfactory?

Phone Hacking

Question No: 2645 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Were you given any oral or written briefing in advance of my question 2674/2010 in September?

Royal Brompton health care

Question No: 2583 / 2011

[Victoria Borwick](#)

The Royal Brompton together with Imperial College has just been granted £20m from the National Institute for Health Research for the performance of their Biomedical Research Units. The two units are at the forefront of research into heart and lung conditions. In light of the flawed NHS proposals to close the Royal Brompton's children's cardiac unit and this recognition of the excellent work being done, will the Mayor join me in supporting the Royal Brompton's fight to retain its paediatric and cardiac units?

Winsor Report

Question No: 2385 / 2011

[Richard Barnbrook](#)

Do you believe Metropolitan Police morale and operational effectiveness would be adversely affected should the recommendations of the Winsor report on pay and conditions be implemented?

London Housing Strategy

Question No: 2647 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Will individual borough targets be included in your final London Housing Strategy?

London Plan and National Planning Policy Framework

Question No: 2593 / 2011

[Andrew Boff](#)

Will the Mayor do everything in his power to ensure that the London Plan, rather than the National Planning Policy Framework, remains the guide by which London develops so that there is a presumption in favour of new scheme in town centres and on brownfield land first?

Progress of RE: NEW for 2011/2012

Question No: 2648 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

To date, how many homes have been treated under your RE: NEW programme?

Taxi and Private Hire directorate

Question No: 2535 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Is TfL's Taxi and Private Hire directorate effective in protecting passengers?

Lessons learned from Edinburgh tram

Question No: 2637 / 2011

[Brian Coleman](#)

What lessons are there for London from the fiasco of the Edinburgh tram scheme? And would the Mayor agree with me that this proves how wise he was to have scrapped the cross-river tram and west London tram schemes?

The Big Switch

Question No: 2539 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Will you support my plan to convert all London's buses and taxis to electric power by 2020?

Hounslow Town Centre

Question No: 2624 / 2011

[Tony Arbour](#)

What progress is being made in the recent police crackdown on anti-social behaviour by drinkers in Hounslow Town Centre?

Apprenticeships in public procurement

Question No: 2800 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

In June you claimed: "I have also ensured jobs for more than 1000 unemployed people in the past 12 months by requiring GLA suppliers to deliver jobs and training opportunities as part of the conditions of winning a contract. My programme, which uses the power of public sector procurement to combat directly unemployment, is the first of its kind in the country...It is my understanding that this assertion is simply untrue and far from being the GLAs unique model is something widely practised elsewhere. Will you apologise to Londoners for making this up? And given the high levels of worklessness in London, do you worry that such a poverty of understanding, and a willingness to make false claims to cover for this, characterises your administration?"

[Note: The following are priority questions, but are not in proportional order.]

Private Sector Tenants

Question No: 2834 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

Do you agree that many Londoners have no choice but to find accommodation in the private-rented sector and that therefore improving the experience and rights of tenants and prospective tenants is vital?

London's housing crisis

Question No: 2540 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Will your revised Housing Strategy solve the growing housing crisis in London?

Jubilee Line

Question No: 2642 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

Can you give reasons for further impending closures of the Jubilee Line and give a definite date for when weekend closures will cease?

Air pollution short-term measures

Question No: 2412 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Is gluing pollution to the roads twice a day a way of avoiding European fines rather than actually solving the problem?

Questions for Written Answer

Metropolitan Police Phone Hacking Crisis

Question No: 2387 / 2011

[Richard Barnbrook](#)

How would you counter John O'Connor former Flying Squad Commander who claimed "the Met is a rudderless ship" and added: "I have never known anything like this in the history of the Met"?

Former Metropolitan Police Commissioner Lord Blair commented that "the resignation of two successive Commissioners of the Metropolitan Police in just over two and a half years indicate that something is gravely wrong with political oversight and governance of the Metropolitan Police"! Do you think Londoners have lost confidence in your stewardship of the Metropolitan Police?

Bike Thefts

Question No: 2388 / 2011

[Richard Barnbrook](#)

Whilst there was a welcome 3% reduction in bike thefts last year, there are still over 61 bikes stolen every day! Do you think this continued menace is hampering your efforts to see more people cycling in London?

City Hall Salaries

Question No: 2389 / 2011

[Richard Barnbrook](#)

Some constituents have written to me unhappy that in such straitened economic times, you saw fit to raise the salaries of two of your advisors by 55.45% and 33.82% respectively. Are you comfortable with how the London taxpaying public may perceive these huge increases with most seeing big falls in their standard of living?

Fuel Poverty

Question No: 2391 / 2011

[Richard Barnbrook](#)

In light of the huge hikes announced in Energy prices recently, how many Londoners are anticipated be in fuel poverty by April 2012?

Criminal Records Checks

Question No: 2392 / 2011

[Richard Barnbrook](#)

Have you received a response from the Home Office regarding the relaxation in strict vetting procedures for people wishing to become taxi drivers?

Police Budgets

Question No: 2393 / 2011

[Richard Barnbrook](#)

Have the recent riots together with the attendance of 10,000 officers brought in to police the Notting Hill Carnival blown the annual MPS budget completely off course?

High Speed 2

Question No: 2394 / 2011

[Richard Barnbrook](#)

Are you in broad agreement with the Department for Transport in their support for a high-speed rail link from London to Birmingham and the North West operating via Euston Station?

Victim focus units

Question No: 2395 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Are you aware that the Victim Focus Units within the Metropolitan Police are at risk of closure as a result of budget cuts and a loss of Home Office funding? Are you concerned about the impact for the service provided to victims and the knock on effects for the use of police officers?

time?

Lane rental consultation (1)

Question No: 2396 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Why is there no lane rental cost for blocking the pavement or working outside peak hours?

Lane rental consultation (2)

Question No: 2397 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Will the impact of the proposed lane rental scheme be to speed up peak-time traffic by encouraging contractors to work in the evenings and weekends, whilst being parked up on the pavement during the day?

Safe access to cycling events

Question No: 2398 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

I have received a complaint from a family who were very disappointed that they were unable to reach a Skyride event this year without using dangerous main roads, in part due to the closure of tube lines. In planning future cycle rides such as Skyride, will you ensure that families are given the information and options to reach them on safe, calm roads and by public transport?

Road works guidelines

Question No: 2399 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you send me a copy of the guidelines on cyclists and road works referred to in January 2010 in answer to my question 0027/2010?

Width of cycle lanes

Question No: 2400 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Is it your policy to ensure that cycle lanes on busy roads, and where surface hazards close to the kerb may force a cyclist to move away from the kerb, should be 2 metres wide?

The need for cycle lanes (1)

Question No: 2401 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Do you believe that a local authority can help increase the number of cyclists in its area by up to 400% by 2025 whilst having a policy of opposing the building of additional cycle lanes on its roads?

The need for cycle lanes (2)

Question No: 2402 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Will you ask Transport for London to reject any local transport plan produced by a borough which includes the systematic removal of all existing cycle lanes in a 20mph zone when the road is being resurfaced?

Cost of cycle hire scheme

Question No: 2403 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

What is the total estimated cost of setting up and running the cycle hire scheme (a) up to 2013 and also (b) up to 2018?

Cycle hire sponsorship

Question No: 2404 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Did you receive any advice from Transport for London regarding the option of putting the cycle hire sponsorship out to tender for the period post 2015?

Blackfriars Bridge (1)

Question No: 2405 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

On what date and at which meeting did you take a decision on the new design of Blackfriars Bridge? Who was in attendance at that meeting?

Blackfriars Bridge (2)

Question No: 2406 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you tell me how many Transport for London engineers gave you advice, and on what dates, regarding the new design of Blackfriars Bridge prior to taking a decision for the work to go ahead?

Blackfriars Bridge (3)

Question No: 2407 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Did you at any point visit the bridge to discuss the proposed design with staff from Transport for London or your own advisers?

Traffic signal rephasing

Question No: 2408 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

What is the cost of rephasing 1,000 traffic signals in London every year?

Traffic signal removals

Question No: 2410 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you provide an update on the 145 traffic signal sites which Transport for London identified for potential removal as they did not meet the justification criteria for the installation of new traffic signals?

Vehicle ownership in London

Question No: 2411 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

What is the estimated growth in vehicles owned in London during the period up to 2026 based upon the parking standards in your new London Plan?

London Food project budgets

Question No: 2413 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you provide details of budgets for Food Strategy projects for the period 2011/12 and each subsequent year up to 2013/14, including Good Food Training, Food Hub and Capital Growth projects, broken down by project?

Sustainable homes

Question No: 2414 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you tell me the number of homes funded through the National Affordable Housing Programme that were completed in 2009/10 and 2010/11, and that are forecast to be completed in 2011/12, broken down by the level of the Code for Sustainable Homes that they will achieve?

First Steps progress

Question No: 2415 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

To date, how many homes have been purchased under the First Steps programme broken down by product? What is the average household income of the purchasers? What has the total cost to the public purse been?

Underoccupying social tenants

Question No: 2416 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

How many social tenants that were underoccupying in London chose to downsize in 2009/10 and 2010/11?

Achieving mixed and balanced communities

Question No: 2417 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Do you recognise the concern expressed by some housing associations that buy-to-let landlords

buy up a large share of market properties in new developments and let many of them to Local Housing Allowance claimants, undermining the aim of creating a more mixed and balanced community?

Violence Against Women Action Plan 2010 (1)

Question No: 2418 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

What proportion of the actions in your 2010-11 action plan has been delivered?

Violence Against Women Action Plan 2010 (2)

Question No: 2419 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Has the GLA developed a model workplace violence against women policy across the GLA group? If so, how have you promoted it across the public and private sectors?

Violence Against Women Action Plan 2010 (3)

Question No: 2420 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

How many roundtable events has the GLA held to identify ways to improve outcomes for young women affected by serious youth violence and sexual violence?

Violence Against Women Action Plan 2010 (4)

Question No: 2421 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

What actions have been taken by the MPS to ensure police officers understand the new legislation about paying for sexual services from women who are forced, coerced or controlled and to target men to deter them?

Rape crisis centre funding

Question No: 2422 / 2011

[Jenny Jones](#)

Can you give me figures for funding awarded to the four London Rape Crisis Centres from the GLA and separately from the boroughs for 2010/11 and 2011/12? Can you also provide equivalent figures for your proposed funding from the GLA in 2012/13 and 2013/14, and funding you anticipate boroughs will provide in those two years?

Waste arising projections in the London Plan (1)

Question No: 2423 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you confirm whether the waste arising projections in the London Plan (table 5.2) include waste that may be reused, recycled or composted?

Waste arising projections in the London Plan (2)

Question No: 2424 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Are the waste arising projections in the London Plan (table 5.2) up to the year 2031 adjusted to take account of the impact of your policies on waste reduction?

Waste arising projections in the London Plan (3)

Question No: 2425 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Why does the London Plan (comparing arisings in table 5.2 with population projections) show a rise in the amount of waste each household will produce up to 2031?

Floating walkway plan for the Thames (1)

Question No: 2426 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you provide details of meetings and other forms of consultation that you have carried out to date with The City of London and the Port of London Authority regarding the feasibility of building a 1km long walkway along the north side of the Thames?

Floating walkway plan for the Thames (2)

Question No: 2427 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Waste from the City of London is currently removed by the River Thames via the Walbrook Wharf waste transfer station south of Cannon Street, where it is loaded into river barges. How will the river barges reach Walbrook Wharf when the upstream element of the walkway will be very close to the transfer station?

Floating walkway plan for the Thames (3)

Question No: 2428 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

How much waste annually is transferred via the Walkbrook Wharf Waste transfer station?

Floating walkway plan for the Thames (4)

Question No: 2429 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will the 1km long walkway along the north side of the Thames be sturdy enough to withstand an accidental knock or scrape with a barge and tug combination or cruise liner passing down the river? What assurances can you give about public safety, particularly of small leisure craft that currently hug the shore line?

Floating walkway plan for the Thames (5)

Question No: 2430 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

How much are you planning to charge the public to use the walkway?

Recognition of RMT and TfL Taxi Engagement Policy

Question No: 2431 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will you ask TfL to review its decision not recognise the RMT through the TfL Taxi Engagement Policy, given it is a bona fide representative body of hundreds of taxi drivers in London?

Pollution reduction technology in buses (1)

Question No: 2432 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Are you concerned by the findings of Dutch study into Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) technology, which shows that NOx emissions from what should have been Euro-5 trucks in the urban environment were only marginally better than those of Euro-3 vehicles, despite theoretically being 60% lower? Given these concerns, will the initial tests being carried out by Transport for London be followed up by regular in-service conformity testing of random vehicles using the same rigorous test track conditions?

Pollution reduction technology in buses (2)

Question No: 2433 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will TfL test for side effects of the Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) technology such as ammonia slip where un-reacted ammonia is discharged into the atmosphere, and the emission of dioxins? Can you confirm that where SCR does work it breaks down particulate emissions, but does not eliminate them? Will the emission of PM2.5s be included in the test results?

Fire service and the riots

Question No: 2434 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Would the London Fire Brigade cope with callouts in 2014/15 on a scale similar to the August riots following the cutbacks?

Outer London Fund

Question No: 2435 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you provide the following information about the Outer London Fund: how much is the GLA borrowing in total to finance this fund? How much is being contributed from other sources? What is the estimated total cost of the interest on the loan, and is that included in the £50m figure? What are the estimated annual repayments for this loan and over how many years?

Town centre regeneration fund (1)

Question No: 2436 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you break down the £50m town centre regeneration fund, indicating how much comes from: (a) the GLA core grant, (b) additional but existing grants to the GLA, (c) the economic development grant to the LDA, (d) any new sources of funding and (e) any borrowing?

Town centre regeneration fund (2)

Question No: 2437 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you break down any money in the £50m town centre regeneration fund taken from existing GLA budgets by the projects it was previously allocated to?

Town centre regeneration fund (3)

Question No: 2438 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

If there is any borrowing as part of this fund, can you tell me the estimated total cost of the interest on any borrowed money, indicate whether that interest is included in the £50m total, and tell me what the estimated annual repayments are and over how many years?

Transparency and openness (1)

Question No: 2439 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

In recent years the London Development Agency has published detailed and informative papers and minutes for Board and Committee meetings, improving its transparency and openness. Will you ensure that these standards are matched by your new Investment & Performance Management Board, Regeneration Investment Group, Housing Investment Group and Housing Board?

Transparency and openness (2)

Question No: 2440 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Board and committee meetings for the London Development Agency are open to the public, where full and frank discussions of the issues take place on precisely the same issues as those for your Investment & Performance Management Board, Regeneration Investment Group, Housing Investment Group and Housing Board. Meetings can then close for commercially confidential discussions. Why, then, will the Board and its Groups meet behind closed doors?

Membership of your Investment & Performance Management Board

Question No: 2441 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Why does your Deputy Mayor for Policing sit on your Investment & Performance Management Board?

Taking the environment seriously (1)

Question No: 2442 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Your Investment & Performance Management Board will oversee investment proposals worth millions of pounds for environmental projects that tackle key statutory responsibilities, yet neither your environment advisor nor the Executive Director of Development and Environment sits on the Board. Why is this?

Taking the environment seriously (2)

Question No: 2443 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will you ensure that environmental outcomes central to your strategies are included in the appraisal and evaluation paperwork for papers discussed in your Investment & Performance Management Board so that no opportunity is missed to, for example, reduce carbon dioxide emissions and improve air quality?

Green Enterprise District

Question No: 2444 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will you be developing an asset management strategy for the GLA that considers the potential for land to be used to develop the low carbon economy, building on the LDA's work on the Green Enterprise District and Low Carbon London?

Carbon dioxide emissions from GLA group

Question No: 2445 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

What were the carbon dioxide emissions from each of the GLA, TfL, LFEPA and the MPS in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010?

Carbon dioxide reductions from RE:NEW

Question No: 2446 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

In your Climate Change Mitigation and Energy Strategy, what is the assumed total reduction in carbon dioxide emissions achieved by RE:NEW delivering its measures to 200,000 homes by 2012?

LED traffic signals

Question No: 2447 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you provide figures on the cost and projected energy savings over a ten year period from (a) the installation of low energy LED lights to Tower Bridge, (b) your plans for the installation of LED traffic signals, and (c) replacing all traffic signals with LED lights?

Low emission vehicles in London

Question No: 2448 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you please give separate figures for the number of electric vehicles and hybrid vehicles that were registered in London in 2007, 2008, 2009 & 2010?

Dust suppressant trials (1)

Question No: 2449 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

What is the maximum number of times per day that any of the dust suppressant vehicles will

have sprayed the road surface along the Marylebone Road or Lower Thames Street? Does additional spraying result in a further decline in the pollution registered?

Dust suppressant trials (2)

Question No: 2450 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you confirm that the dust suppressant vehicles have sprayed on the near side lane of roads directly next to the air pollution monitoring sites at Marylebone Road and Lower Thames Street?

Impact of removing the Western Extension Zone

Question No: 2451 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

When will you be able to update us on both the traffic impacts and also the environmental impacts of the decision to abolish the western extension of the congestion charge area?

Plastic bags (1)

Question No: 2452 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you update me on any specific proposals you are currently considering to reduce the number of free single use plastic bags issued by retailers?

Plastic bags (2)

Question No: 2453 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will you praise retailers who have successfully introduced a plastic bag charge and achieved a reduction in their use? Will you also name and shame the retailers who have reverted to old habits and have allowed an increase in free single use plastic bags?

Plastic bags (3)

Question No: 2454 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

What powers will you seek from the Government to allow you to implement charges on free single use plastic bags?

Tidal Flood risk

Question No: 2455 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Will you make responses to the Environment Agency's 'Thames Estuary 2100 Project' consultation from the GLA, the London Fire Brigade and Transport for London available online?

High pay

Question No: 2457 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Do you agree with the Minister for the Cabinet Office, who was quoted in the Financial Times as follows: "the last Government had a view that salaries needed to be competitive with the private sector; I don't think we do. If the job is interesting enough and carries enough authority... people will want to do it."?

Playfair 2012 (1)

Question No: 2458 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

In your capacity on the Olympic Board and as a champion of transparency, will you press LOCOG to publicly disclose their global supply chains, including the actual production sites, so that the public can verify claims relating to workers' rights made by their suppliers?

Playfair 2012 (2)

Question No: 2459 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

In your capacity on the Olympic Board, will you ensure that LOCOG systematically promotes its reporting system, through which workers at suppliers' factories can report any violations of their rights for investigation, to all of its suppliers?

Garment procurement (1)

Question No: 2460 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Can you tell me how much each of the GLA, TfL, MPA/MPS and LFEPA/LFB spent on garments in the past five years?

Garment procurement (2)

Question No: 2461 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

How many staff, including subcontracted workers, in each of the GLA, TfL, MPA/MPS and LFEPA/LFB wear uniforms or other garments procured on their behalf?

Garment procurement (3)

Question No: 2462 / 2011

[Darren Johnson](#)

Which ethical procurement tools such as the Ethical Trading Initiative and Sedex are used by the GLA, TfL, MPA/MPS and LFEPA/LFB when procuring garments?

London and Partners - transparency

Question No: 2463 / 2011

[Dee Dooney](#)

How often does the board of London and Partners meet, and are the board papers and minutes a matter of public record? If not, will you ask the board to make these public?

London and Partners – Mayoral representation

Question No: 2464 / 2011

[Dee Doocey](#)

Are you represented on the board of London and Partners, either directly, or by an observer at board meetings?

London and Partners – powers of direction

Question No: 2465 / 2011

[Dee Doocey](#)

What level of influence or control do you have over the board of London and Partners?

Rioting in London – impact on tourism

Question No: 2467 / 2011

[Dee Doocey](#)

What assessment has been made of the impact of the riots in London on overseas visitors to London, both business and tourist?

Olympic and Paralympic mascots – visits to schools

Question No: 2468 / 2011

[Dee Doocey](#)

In your reply to my question 2031/2011 you said: “Every single one of those schools, the [Get Set] network of schools, will get free visits from Wenlock and Mandeville.” In reality, schools in the Get Set Network can ‘win’ a visit by the mascots, and only 50 visits to schools have taken place throughout the UK. Do you accept that your response was extremely misleading and if so, will you apologise to every school in London whose hopes you falsely raised?

Business Link – number of business helped

Question No: 2469 / 2011

[Dee Doocey](#)

For each of the last three financial years, and this year to date, please can you state how many businesses were supported by Business Link in London?

Business Link – budget

Question No: 2470 / 2011

[Dee Doocey](#)

For each of the last three financial years, and the year 2011/12, please can you tell me what the budget from the LDA/GLA has been for Business Link in London?

Stonewall’s Workplace Equality Index 2012

Question No: 2471 / 2011

[Dee Doocey](#)

Was the GLA entered into the Workplace Equality Index 2012?

Woolwich Olympic Shooting Venue

Question No: 2472 / 2011

[Dee Doocey](#)

The Olympic shooting venue based on Woolwich Common has no signage or information to indicate to passers-by that it is an Olympic venue, despite being close to completion. What is the reason for this?

Pedestrian crossings

Question No: 2473 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to MQ (1918/2011), please can you confirm that by March 2012 TfL will ensure that all TfL controlled pedestrian crossings will meet the two separate guidance standards relating to:

- a) the minimum time that should be granted for pedestrians to safely cross the road
- b) pedestrian crossings having an audible signal and/or a rotating cone to assist blind and visually impaired people?

Pedestrian safety at junction of Blackheath Hill

Question No: 2474 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

I am informed that there have been several serious accidents at the junction of the A2 Blackheath Hill, Lewisham Road and Greenwich South Street, and that pedestrians find it difficult to cross this junction. Do you currently have any plans to improve this junction? If not, will you instruct TfL traffic engineers to look at works that are needed to improve it?

Crossrail ticket office opening hours

Question No: 2475 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What will the Crossrail ticket office opening hours be at Crossrail's London stations once the line is in operation?

Toilets at Crossrail stations

Question No: 2476 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Following on from MQ (1914 / 2011), will you ensure that every Crossrail station will have fully accessible toilet facilities if they do not have them installed already?

Hampstead Heath Overground Station lift

Question No: 2477 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Will you work with TfL to find funds to install a lift at Hampstead Heath Overground Station to assist local residents, and also the many elderly and disabled passengers on their journeys to the Royal Free Hospital?

Freight transport during the Olympic and Paralympic Games 2012

Question No: 2478 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please outline the consideration that has been given to plans for the movement of freight transport in and around London during the Olympic and Paralympic Games?

Funding for Surrey Canal Road Station

Question No: 2479 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

I believe the East London Line Extension Phase 2 currently has a project authority of £76.7m, but an estimated final cost of £72.6m, £4m under budget. Can this £4.1m be used to fund the completion of Surrey Canal Road Station? I am sure local developers, the Borough of Lewisham and Millwall Football Club would be interested in assisting to bridge any funding shortfall?

Hydrogen Buses on route RV1 (1)

Question No: 2480 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please list the exact dates that each of the five hydrogen RV1 buses returned to service, following their withdrawal on the 12th June.

Hydrogen Buses on route RV1 (2)

Question No: 2481 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What was the cost of the replacement buses on the RV1 route during the time period that the hydrogen buses were withdrawn due to safety concerns?

Hydrogen Buses on route RV1 (3)

Question No: 2482 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What was the total cost of repairing the hydrogen buses?

Cycle Hire cost comparisons

Question No: 2483 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can you explain why the Boston cycle hire scheme, 'The Hubway' with 600 bikes is reported to have cost USD 6m in total, compared to the £125m cost of London's 6000 bike cycle hire scheme - 70% cheaper per bike than London?

Reflectors on bicycles in the London Cycle Hire Scheme (1)

Question No: 2484 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

A large proportion of the bicycles in the London Cycle Hire Scheme no longer have a rear reflector on the mudguard. What steps, if any, are being taken to ensure that bicycles are regularly inspected and that any missing reflectors are quickly replaced?

Reflectors on bicycles in the London Cycle Hire Scheme (2)

Question No: 2485 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What investigations have been undertaken to ascertain why so many rear reflectors are missing from bicycles in the London Cycle Hire Scheme?

Reflectors on bicycles in the London Cycle Hire Scheme (3)

Question No: 2486 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How many reflectors on rear mudguards have gone missing since the start of the Cycle Hire Scheme?

Oyster Overcharging

Question No: 2487 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

In an answer to a recent Freedom of Information inquiry, TfL stated "We recognise that more can be done and are working to further improve Oyster and the service provided to customers, including improved journey history information and work on a technological solution which we hope to introduce later this year to tackle the issue of incomplete journeys." Please provide an update on progress that has been made, or will be made on this issue?

Cable Car Scheme

Question No: 2488 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Are there any financial incentives in place for contractors Mace and Doppelmayr to compete the cable car scheme in time for the Olympics?

King's Cross one way system

Question No: 2489 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to MQ (1876/2011), you have said that you will consider providing further speed reduction measures on the King's Cross one-way system including on the worst-affected roads such as Acton Street "if surveys indicate that there is a problem". Can you tell me when these surveys have been carried out or will be taking place, and when you will have the full results of these surveys and if these will be made publically available?

Taxicard/Comcab (1)

Question No: 2490 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please provide the statistics for Taxi card/Comcab, per borough, for the period 1st January 2011 - 30th June 2011 for the:

- a) completed number of trips
- b) number of members
- c) revenue received from the £2.50 surcharge

Taxicard/Comcab (2)

Question No: 2491 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please provide the statistics for Taxi card/Comcab, per borough, for the period 1st January 2010 up until 30th June 2010 for the:

- a) completed number of trips
- b) number of members
- c) revenue received from the £1.50 surcharge

Dial-a-Ride (1)

Question No: 2492 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What is the total cost of implementing the new Dial-a-Ride pilot computer terminal system and what benefits can be expected from it?

Dial-a-Ride (2)

Question No: 2493 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Will the new Dial-a-Ride computer system increase the number of trips carried out currently, and will it drive down the high refusal rate? Also, do you envisage it increasing the punctuality of Dial-a-Ride in future?

Dial-a-Ride (3)

Question No: 2494 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please can you declare for each of the six Dial-a-Ride depots individually, per month for the last 12 months the:

- number of trips completed
- refusal rate
- punctuality of the vehicles
- average number of trips completed by drivers

Cycle hire scheme at Southwark Station

Question No: 2495 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How is the new docking station above Southwark Underground Station performing? Have there been any reports of access issues due to the stairs?

Zip Card holders and the London riots

Question No: 2496 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What steps has TfL taken to ensure that any Zip card holders convicted of involvement in looting or criminal damage have their cards revoked? How many have been removed due to rioting to date?

DLR extension to Stratford International Station

Question No: 2497 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What caused the delay to the DLR extension to Stratford International Station which was originally due to open last year? What additional costs have been incurred due to this delay, e.g. for replacement buses?

Changes following London – Surrey cycle test event

Question No: 2498 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can you assure the many Londoners who were adversely affected on London's roads during the 14th August cycle test event that improvements will be made before the 2012 Games itself? What key learning points emerged?

London Greenways

Question No: 2499 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

London Greenways offer viable transport alternatives to all sections of the community. Monitoring showed that women made up over 52% of users on Ravensbourne Park greenway. Will you join me in supporting London Greenways and recognising the important role they can play in getting inexperienced and under-represented groups out and about on foot and by bike?

Bus stand at Feltham Station

Question No: 2500 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Will you instruct TfL to work with the London Borough of Hounslow to enable the rarely used bus stand at Feltham Station to become a designated drop off/pick up point for rail passengers, allowing cars a two minute drop off period?

New bus for London

Question No: 2501 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Has the new bus for London's open platform design passed the international standards needed in order for it to be able to benefit from foreign sales yet? Can you update me on the progress of this?

Ticket barriers at TfL stations

Question No: 2502 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

In the last 3 months, please list which TfL stations have had to open their ticket barriers to passengers? Please also list the reason for having to open up the barriers.

Alterations to Southwark Park Road

Question No: 2503 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please can you advise how much the recent road and footpath works between the Fort bus stop and the Harris Academy on Southwark Park Road has cost?

Cable car scheme (1)

Question No: 2504 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How much will a single and return fare be on the proposed cable car scheme?

Cable car scheme (2)

Question No: 2505 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Will Oyster be valid on the cable car scheme and will there be a discount for Oyster card holders similar to that of Thames Clippers?

Lane Rental

Question No: 2506 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can you update me on your anticipated timetable to introduce Lane Rental on the TLRN?

London Skyride event on the 4th September (1)

Question No: 2507 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What plans did you put in place with regards to overground rail ahead of the London Skyride event this year to ensure there would be adequate transport arrangements for this event, following on from previous Skyride events where the train capacity has been massively insufficient?

London Skyride event on the 4th September (2)

Question No: 2508 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What payments were made to Kelly Brook and Sir Chris Hoy for the annual London Skyride event this year?

The Government's Access for All Mid-Tier Programme

Question No: 2509 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can you list what you are bidding for in this Government funding programme? What criteria are you using to choose the stations?

Electric charge point network membership scheme

Question No: 2510 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How many members do you have in your electric charge point membership scheme?

Wilton Rd Junction

Question No: 2511 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How many Penalty Charge Notices have been issued at the Wilton Road junction since the 3rd May 2011? How much income has TfL raised from this?

Pedestrian guardrails at road junctions

Question No: 2512 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please list all junctions, along with costs, which TfL has had to retrofit following on from the removal of pedestrian guardrails at some junctions?

Cycle Hire Scheme (1)

Question No: 2513 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please list how many annual members have renewed both automatically and manually for the Cycle Hire Scheme.

Cycle Hire Scheme (2)

Question No: 2514 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please can you supply figures, broken down by month of how many new members have joined the Cycle Hire Scheme since the start of the scheme?

TfL shop

Question No: 2515 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please list the top ten best selling items from the TfL Shop at the London Transport Museum and the online TfL shop.

Courthill Road, Lewisham

Question No: 2516 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Following the many years of delays in improving the safety of Courthill Road junction in Lewisham and further to your reply to MQ (1324/2011) can you confirm that the detailed design work will definitely start in early 2012 and with the much needed improvements for this junction completed in 2012?

Carshalton Ponds, Sutton

Question No: 2517 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Further to your answer in June 2009 to MQ (1574/2009) what are the reasons for:

- a) the delay in replacement railings around Carshalton Ponds being installed, and
- b) Transport for London submitting a planning application for the new railings.

Bicycle thefts per borough

Question No: 2518 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please provide the figures for how many bikes have been reported stolen, separated by borough, for the years 08/09, 09/10, 10/11.

Bicycle thefts - convictions

Question No: 2519 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

How many arrests and convictions have there been associated with bicycle theft for the years 08/09, 09/10, 10/11.

Dogs on London Underground escalators

Question No: 2520 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What date will the TfL byelaws be in place so that assistance dogs can use London Underground escalators?

CBS Outdoor contract termination

Question No: 2521 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What is the cost in terms of contract penalties and lost advertising revenue to TfL of CBS Outdoor terminating their contract because of the delays in upgrading the tube network?

Helicopter noise and air pollution

Question No: 2522 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

I have received many complaints recently about the increase in helicopter noise. What steps are being taken to minimise the impact of helicopter noise and the resulting air pollution across London?

Tragic death of Woolwich Ferry crew member

Question No: 2523 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What work has been done with the Port of London Authority to ensure that lessons are learned following the death of the Woolwich Ferry crew member so that another tragic incident of this nature does not occur again on the River Thames?

Barclays Cycle Superhighways stakeholder previews

Question No: 2524 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Why were the two proposed Barclays Cycle Superhighways stakeholder previews cancelled?

The Knowledge

Question No: 2525 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

I believe student taxi drivers are currently experiencing delays in their Knowledge training due to a shortfall in examiners. Can you please update me on this? Is TfL looking to hire more examiners to rectify these delays?

Safer Travel at Night

Question No: 2526 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

As part of your Safer Travel at Night scheme, I believe TfL has been looking at marshalled private hire pick up points across London. Can you update me on whether this is likely to be introduced and the legal position to enable such an initiative to proceed?

Private Hire Vehicles (1)

Question No: 2527 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

I recently witnessed many licensed private hire vehicles in London with blacked out or tinted windows, meaning you can barely make out the licence disc. Given that the TfL website states "all licensed private hire vehicles have the distinctive TfL licence disc in the front and rear windscreen," will you review the use of blacked out and tinted vehicles in licensed private hire vehicles?

Private Hire Vehicles (2)

Question No: 2528 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

I believe there are around 23,000 licensed private hire operators and around 45,000 licensed private hire vehicles. Please can you provide figures for how many of these vehicles belong to operators and how many do not?

Private Hire Vehicles (3)

Question No: 2529 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Whilst I support your stance on enhanced CRB checks for cab drivers, what are you proposing to the Department for Transport on the issue of CRB checks on drivers from overseas with a vague or absent background history?

Taxi ranks (1)

Question No: 2530 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Can you explain who is responsible for the maintenance of 'signs and lines' and the up keep of Traffic Management Orders to ensure taxi ranks are fit for purpose?

Taxi ranks (2)

Question No: 2531 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Does TfL pay for the maintenance to all taxi ranks in London? If not, please list which ranks TfL does pay for?

Taxi ranks (3)

Question No: 2532 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

What processes are in place to ensure all taxi ranks are fit for purpose across London, with the correct Traffic Management Orders, signage and lines?

Pedicab Drivers

Question No: 2533 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

I was pleased to see that you lobbied the Home Office to reconsider the proposed weaker Criminal Records Bureau checks on London's black cab drivers. In light of this, why do you find it appropriate for pedicab drivers to remain unlicensed with no CRB checks?

Capped fare schemes to airports for London's taxis

Question No: 2534 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Will you look at the recently announced capped fare scheme from The Cumberland Hotel to the airports in London, with a view to rolling this out across London in order to clamp down on the many tourists who are apparently being ripped off by some unscrupulous hotel door staff?

On-street inspections of black cabs

Question No: 2536 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please provide figures for the number of on-street inspections to black cabs which have taken place, per month, since May 2008.

On-street inspections of private hire vehicles

Question No: 2537 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

Please provide figures for the number of on-street inspections private hire vehicles which have taken place, per month, since May 2008.

Engagement Policy for Associations Representing London Taxi Drivers

Question No: 2538 / 2011

[Caroline Pidgeon](#)

The Engagement Policy for Associations Representing London Taxi Drivers states "TfL recognises that there are certain smaller groups of drivers that may have specific issues. In exceptional circumstances TfL will engage with such groups as they feel may be required." Since the 1st May 2010, please list all occasions where TfL has met with these groups. Please also provide the name of the group.

Measures to tackle air pollution

Question No: 2541 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Please provide a breakdown of the spending of the £5m Clean Air Fund on dust suppressants, green planters and no-idling initiatives, including in what locations and over what time periods these measures will be in place?

Community Right to Reclaim Land – TfL properties on the South Circular

Question No: 2542 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

TfL owns properties on the South Circular in Catford which have been empty since 1987. Do you agree that under the principles of the Community Right to Reclaim Land these properties should be sold so that they could be better used, ideally for housing?

£50m regeneration fund for high streets

Question No: 2543 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

You have recently announced a £50 million fund to help make major long term improvements to the capital's town centres and high streets damaged by the riots in August. From what budgets is this £50m being allocated, how will it be distributed, and over what period of time will the fund be operating?

London Enterprise Fund

Question No: 2544 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

You have recently announced a £20 million fund for Tottenham and Croydon to help make improvements the town centres worst affected by the riots in August. From what budgets is this £20m being allocated, how will it be distributed, and over what period of time will the fund be operating?

High Street Fund

Question No: 2545 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

You have recently announced £500,000 for the High Street Fund which will provide emergency financial assistance to small businesses that suffered disruption, damage or destruction in the riots in August. From what budgets is this £500,000 being allocated, how will it be distributed, and over what period of time will the fund be operating?

Air quality on Tube

Question No: 2546 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Further to MQ2441/2006, what dust levels in milligrams per metre cubed (mg/m³) have been recorded on the London Underground each year since 2006/07, and has any further analysis been carried out of their potential health impacts?

Climate Change Mitigation and Energy Strategy

Question No: 2547 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Are you still committed to the goal of reducing London's CO₂ emissions by 20 per cent by 2015; 38 per cent by 2020; and 60 per cent by 2025? When will your final Climate Change Mitigation and Energy Strategy be published?

Alexandra Palace

Question No: 2548 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

I have had been contacted by a constituent about the Alexandra Palace and Park Consultative Committee. They would like to know why, given that Alexandra Palace was built for and still is legally in trust to 'The People Of London', there are no representatives from the GLA on any of the Palace's committees?

Apprenticeships (1)

Question No: 2549 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

You recently announced that 28,000 new apprenticeships had been created in London from 2010-2011. What assurance do you have that these are new roles, rather than the redesignation of existing roles?

Apprenticeships (2)

Question No: 2550 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

You recently announced that over 2000 apprentices are employed directly or within the GLA's supply chain. Please provide the number of apprenticeships within TfL in each year since 2008, by directorate? What assurance can you provide that these are new roles, rather than the redesignation of existing roles?

Olympic style sponsorship

Question No: 2551 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

It has been reported that you want big businesses to sponsor aspects of London life as "partners of London" following the model of Olympic and Paralympic Games sponsorship. What exacting criteria will you put place to ensure that only companies who act responsibly and sustainably will be considered?

Vauxhall Nine Elms Opportunity Area Planning Framework

Question No: 2552 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

In answer to MQ 0190/2011 you stated that “the Strategy Board for VNEB has agreed that a Community Engagement Forum be set up so that residents and businesses are fully part of the future plans for the area”. It appears that in practice in Lambeth public exhibitions are being used rather than a community engagement forum. Do you think that using exhibitions provides sufficient community engagement with the Vauxhall Nine Elms Battersea plans?

Menta development, Croydon

Question No: 2553 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Why did you not call in, or refuse the Stage II planning application for the Cherry Orchard Road (Menta) development in Croydon, given the significant concerns about it, including:

- a) The development only having 10% affordable housing (50% affordable rent and 50% shared ownership), reduced from 18%;
- b) The development exceeding the London Plan density matrix (which suggests an appropriate residential density for Central areas of up to 405 units per hectare or 1,100 habitable rooms – this development is 2,074 habitable rooms per hectare for the tower and 1,879 for the smaller Cherry Orchard Gardens block);
- c) Your own planning report stating that “Overshadowing from the tower would have a far reaching impact”.

Public agendas for planning decisions meetings

Question No: 2554 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Will you commit to making public the agendas for your planning decisions meetings, so that it is easier for the public to find out when you will be taking decisions on key planning applications?

Publishing planning decisions online

Question No: 2555 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

In answer to MQ0610/2009 you stated that you intended to adopt the Planning Protocol recommended by the Standards Committee in January 2009, which requires planning decisions to be published on the Authority’s web site “as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within ten working days of any decision, letter or direction from the Mayor”. As of 2 September 2011, the latest decisions on the GLA website date from 16 June 2011. What steps will you take to ensure the Protocol is followed?

Institutional investment in rented housing

Question No: 2556 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

What steps will you take to unlock “innovative forms of investment for housing” including the much talked about “institutional investment in rented housing” which is referred to in your Initial Proposals for a revised London Housing Strategy?

London Housing and Property Company

Question No: 2557 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Mayoral Decision 841 outlines the transfer to the GLA of the £740,000 of LDA funding which had been set aside for the development of the London Housing and Property Company. However papers for the GLA's Investment & Performance Board on 2 September 2011 state that this project is "in abeyance". How and when will this funding be used, and what outcomes can we expect to see in 2011/12 and 2012/13?

London Enterprise Partnership

Question No: 2558 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Further to Mayoral Decision 842 which proposed the appointment of Harvey McGrath as Interim Co-Chair of the Shadow LEP Board, when will other members of the shadow Board be recruited and when will the Shadow LEP Board meet?

London Film Day

Question No: 2559 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

When and why was it decided to cancel London Film Day 2011? How much money was spent on it before cancellation, and will it be revived in future years?

London Card

Question No: 2560 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

What discussions have taken place with London & Partners regarding The London Card which aims to bring together a number of different services for Londoners onto one platform, e.g. transport, culture offer, access to borough-level services? When might Londoners see an Oystercard which integrates a range of these functions?

Earl's Court Opportunity Area

Question No: 2561 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

What percentage of affordable rented housing, or number of affordable units, do you expect to be provided by Hammersmith and Fulham and by Kensington and Chelsea in the redevelopment of Earl's Court Opportunity Area? After the re-provision of existing Social Rented homes, how will these be split between Social, Affordable and First Steps tenures?

Affordable Housing supply in London 2011-15 (1)

Question No: 2562 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Please provide further details of the proposed Affordable Housing supply in London for 2011-15, broken down by financial year and by tenure (Social rent, Affordable Rent, First Steps).

Affordable Housing supply in London 2011-15 (2)

Question No: 2563 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Please provide further details of the proposed Affordable Housing supply in London for 2011-15, broken down by borough, and by tenure (Social rent, Affordable Rent, First Steps).

Monitoring new affordable homes – bed spaces

Question No: 2564 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

In your Initial Proposals for a revised London Housing Strategy you propose to “measure the supply of new affordable homes by bed spaces as well as units”. When will this monitoring begin, and will it form a part of your discussions with boroughs about affordable housing targets?

London Housing Bond

Question No: 2565 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

What do you see as the potential for the London Housing Bond, which is suggested in your Initial Proposals for a revised London Housing Strategy?

GLA Group landholdings

Question No: 2566 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

In your Initial Proposals for a revised London Housing Strategy you state that you will “develop a comprehensive land-based strategy for Mayoral landholdings”. How does this differ from reviews you have already carried out of GLA Group land and property?

London Development Panel

Question No: 2567 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

What do you see as the role for the London Development Panel, which is suggested in your Initial Proposals for a revised London Housing Strategy, and in what timeframe?

Empty Homes – interactive website

Question No: 2568 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Your Initial Proposals for a revised London Housing Strategy include publishing the information from the empty homes audit on a “new interactive website”. When could this website be up and running?

London rental standard

Question No: 2569 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Your Initial Proposals for a revised London Housing Strategy include the introduction of the “London rental standard”. What do you envisage this standard including and when could it be

introduced?

Bus and tram pass discounts – take-up

Question No: 2570 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

It has been reported that there are significant differences across London boroughs in the take-up of the bus and tram pass discount for those in receipt of Job Seekers' Allowance, Income Support or Employment and Support Allowance. Please provide the latest figures for cards issued and percentage take-up by borough, and also explain what steps will be taken to address any discrepancies in the take-up of these cards?

London Fire Brigade compliance with the London Low Emission Zone

Question No: 2571 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

Do you still expect the London Fire Brigade to be compliant with the LEZ by 3 January 2012?

Open Tube Train Doors Incident

Question No: 2572 / 2011

[Richard Tracey](#)

If the Rail Accident Investigation Branch concludes that driver error was the reason for a Victoria Line tube train's doors being left open as it left Warren Street on 11th July, will the Mayor confirm that the driver responsible will be dismissed?

Riot Damage to TfL Property

Question No: 2573 / 2011

[Richard Tracey](#)

What was the total cost of damage to TfL property during the London riots?

Crossrail train procurement

Question No: 2574 / 2011

[Richard Tracey](#)

Does the Mayor agree that if the Government wants Crossrail trains to be built in Britain, it would be better advised to cut red tape and regulation to make it easier for British-based companies to compete on a level playing field with foreign firms when tendering for British contracts.

Riot Costs to TfL

Question No: 2575 / 2011

[Richard Tracey](#)

What was the total cost in lost fare revenue to TfL during the London riots?

Metropolitan Line Upgrade

Question No: 2576 / 2011

[Richard Tracey](#)

When upgrade work is taking place on the Metropolitan Line, is it ever necessary to close adjacent sections of the Jubilee Line?

Government support (Riots Damage Act)

Question No: 2577 / 2011

[Richard Tracey](#)

How many people have so far sought compensation from the MPS under the Riots Damage Act? What do you estimate the overall cost in compensation to be and how much of this do you think the Government should cover?

Outer London Fund - Merton

Question No: 2578 / 2011

[Richard Tracey](#)

What criteria were used to evaluate Round One applications for the Outer London Fund, and how will this differ from the criteria used for Round Two applications?

London-Surrey Cycle Classic (1)

Question No: 2580 / 2011

[Richard Tracey](#)

What lessons have been learnt from the Olympic test event for road cycling?

London-Surrey Cycle Classic (2)

Question No: 2581 / 2011

[Richard Tracey](#)

Will you ensure that road closures for the Olympic road cycling event in 2012 are better publicised than for the London-Surrey Cycle Classic event this year? Will you also ensure that stewards for the Olympic road cycling event have sufficient knowledge of the local area to direct drivers onto the diversion routes?

Games Lanes

Question No: 2582 / 2011

[Richard Tracey](#)

With the Olympic tennis event at Wimbledon taking place between midday-8pm, is there an explanation as to why the Olympic Route Network restrictions and Games lanes between Wimbledon Park Side and Nine Elms Lane will be operational from 7am-7pm? Will TfL modify the operating hours of the Games lanes and ORN restrictions between Wimbledon Park Side and Nine Elms Lane to start after the morning peak hours?

Crossrail Loos

Question No: 2584 / 2011

[Victoria Borwick](#)

Will the mayor bring pressure on Crossrail to include loos in the construction of new

infrastructure?

Crossrail Loos

Question No: 2585 / 2011

[Victoria Borwick](#)

Does the Mayor accept that the presence of loos at Crossrail Stations would be of significant benefit to the disabled?

Business in Enfield

Question No: 2586 / 2011

[Victoria Borwick](#)

What discussions are taking place to ensure that major employers such as Sony feel sufficiently confident to continue operating in Enfield following the recent riots?

Ponders End

Question No: 2587 / 2011

[Victoria Borwick](#)

What action is taking place to investigate the circumstances surrounding the recent stabbing in Ponders End, especially given the young ages of those suspected of involvement in this incident?

Squatting

Question No: 2588 / 2011

[Victoria Borwick](#)

Following recent reports of extensive criminal damage that appears to have been caused by squatters in a former PCT building in Enfield Town, does the Mayor lend his support to calls for a toughening of legislation against squatters, giving greater powers to the police to take action?

Transport for Disabled Londoners (1)

Question No: 2589 / 2011

[Victoria Borwick](#)

What advice or assistance is being given to those working with the disabled – for example youth groups who give respite care during the holidays – on how best to transport their patients during the Olympics?

Transport for Disabled Londoners (1)

Question No: 2590 / 2011

[Victoria Borwick](#)

What advice or assistance is being given to those working with the disabled – for example youth groups who give respite care during the holidays – on how best to transport their patients during the Olympics?

Riots & community payback

Question No: 2591 / 2011

[Victoria Borwick](#)

Half of convicted criminals given community orders avoid doing any unpaid work. What can be done to improve both the supervision of 'community payback' and the allocation of appropriate punishments in London?

Transport for Disabled Londoners (2)

Question No: 2592 / 2011

[Victoria Borwick](#)

How can these organisations get real time information that would help them avoid particular hold ups so that the disabled do not have to sit in their mini-buses for hours to get to their activities?

Affordable homes in London

Question No: 2594 / 2011

[Andrew Boff](#)

Will you share with me the breakdown by borough of where housing associations plan to build new homes in London and at what rent level?

Funding for Affordable Housing

Question No: 2595 / 2011

[Andrew Boff](#)

Given that London is to receive £628million in funding for affordable housing from the Government, which is almost double the next highest amount other regions are to receive, is it right to say that under your Mayoralty the capital has done extremely well on housing funding?

World Athletics Championships (1)

Question No: 2596 / 2011

[Andrew Boff](#)

What is the total public subsidy that will be required to host the 2017 World Athletics Championships in London? How much subsidy is the GLA providing?

World Athletics Championships (2)

Question No: 2597 / 2011

[Andrew Boff](#)

Is there any independent evidence that demonstrate that the World Athletics Championships would "build even further on the economic and sporting legacy of the 2012 Games" as stated by the Mayor?

Triathlon (1)

Question No: 2598 / 2011

[Andrew Boff](#)

What was achieved with the GLA's £100,000 grant to the ITU Dextro Energy World Cup Series Triathlon in Hyde Park?

Triathlon (2)

Question No: 2599 / 2011

[Andrew Boff](#)

What was the total cost of hosting this London triathlon, and how much of the cost was met through commercial sponsorship?

Triathlon (3)

Question No: 2600 / 2011

[Andrew Boff](#)

Since the GLA provided £50,000 towards the television broadcasting of this triathlon event, does the GLA have the domestic and international viewing figures for the triathlon broadcast? What is the total cost of broadcasting the triathlon on television?

Olympic Test Events

Question No: 2601 / 2011

[Andrew Boff](#)

What lessons have been learnt from the Olympic test events that have taken place over the summer?

London Greenways

Question No: 2602 / 2011

[Andrew Boff](#)

As a member of the London Assembly Health Committee, I am acutely aware of the positive impact which active travel can have on the physical and mental well-being of Londoners and the important role it plays in helping the Mayor achieve a range of policy objectives. London Greenways provide an opportunity for people in London to explore their local area or get to work in a more fulfilling way. The development of London Greenways is an important part of our work aimed to get more people walking and cycling more often. Will you join me in acknowledging the importance of London Greenways and the important role they play in helping us to achieve a range of better health, environment and transport outcomes?

London Tramlink

Question No: 2603 / 2011

[Steve O'Connell](#)

After the successful weekend of free travel on the tram to get shoppers back into Croydon after the recent disturbances, will the Mayor and TfL consider more offers to boost business such as free weekends or free travel during Business Improvement District festivals on the run up to Christmas?

High Street Fund (1)

Question No: 2604 / 2011

[Steve O'Connell](#)

What progress has been made in getting the small grants in the High Street Funds to businesses in Croydon directly affected by the disturbances?

High Street Fund (2)

Question No: 2605 / 2011

[Steve O'Connell](#)

Many businesses in the London Road area of Croydon have suffered greatly by the loss of trade without having their own shops directly damaged due to loss of footfall and parts of the road being closed off for many days. Will these businesses have access to the grants to help keep them trading whilst business recovers?

High Street Fund (3)

Question No: 2606 / 2011

[Steve O'Connell](#)

Have any businesses in Sutton been able to access the High Street Fund?

Allocation of police

Question No: 2608 / 2011

[Steve O'Connell](#)

How do police currently decide how many police should attend an incident?

101 non-emergency number

Question No: 2609 / 2011

[Steve O'Connell](#)

Why is there a charge for calling the 101 non-emergency number when 999 is free and could the cost be covered so that residents are not charged and are encouraged to use the number instead of discouraged as has been reported to me?

ASB reporting to Safer Neighbourhood Teams

Question No: 2610 / 2011

[Steve O'Connell](#)

Residents have complained to me that reports of crimes and anti-social behaviour have not been communicated to their local SNT. Will you instruct the MPS to ensure that all reports are communicated.

London Underground pay agreement

Question No: 2612 / 2011

[Gareth Bacon](#)

The LU pay agreement expired in March 2011 and TfL is negotiating a 5% pay rise for the coming year and RPI + 0.25% per year over 5 years with unions. Is it wise to tie TfL to a deal for such a long period with such generous terms?

Environment Programmes

Question No: 2613 / 2011

[James Cleverly](#)

What progress is being made in obtaining match funding for the Green Streets and Good Food Towns programmes, and how will these two programmes contribute to meeting the Mayor's environmental priorities?

Drain London

Question No: 2614 / 2011

[James Cleverly](#)

What projects are currently being funded through the Drain London project to help reduce the risk of flooding in London?

RE:NEW (1)

Question No: 2615 / 2011

[James Cleverly](#)

How many homes in London have so far benefited from the your RE:NEW home energy efficiency scheme in each London borough?

RE:NEW (2)

Question No: 2616 / 2011

[James Cleverly](#)

What progress is being made in obtaining the necessary funding from the Government's Green Deal to expand your RE:NEW home energy efficiency scheme?

High Street Fund

Question No: 2617 / 2011

[Tony Arbour](#)

How many businesses applied for grants through your High Street Fund, how many have already received grants from this fund, and what is the average size of grant provided?

£50 million town centre regeneration fund

Question No: 2618 / 2011

[Tony Arbour](#)

Which areas will qualify for your £50 million town centre regeneration fund for areas affected by the riots? What kind of schemes will be supported through this fund?

London Enterprise Partnership (1)

Question No: 2619 / 2011

[Tony Arbour](#)

What work will be carried out the Shadow London Enterprise Partnership (LEP) that you have established? What resources will be available to it?

London Enterprise Partnership (2)

Question No: 2620 / 2011

[Tony Arbour](#)

When will the uplift in business rate receipts in the Enterprise Zone become available for use by the London Enterprise Partnership? How will the activities of the LEP be funded in the meantime?

CompeteFor

Question No: 2621 / 2011

[Tony Arbour](#)

What is the future of the CompeteFor service after the Olympics? Will it continue to provide a portal for businesses to access procurement from the GLA Group and London boroughs?

Online community of Londoners

Question No: 2622 / 2011

[Tony Arbour](#)

What do you hope to achieve by spending £70,000 on “creating a durable, engaged, online community that can react quickly to emerging Mayoral priorities, and provide real time public opinion data?” What impact do you expect this online community to have on your policies and strategies?

Richmond railway station

Question No: 2623 / 2011

[Tony Arbour](#)

Will you ensure that TfL takes the views of local residents fully into account in its discussions on the redevelopment of Richmond Station?

Media information on looters

Question No: 2625 / 2011

[Brian Coleman](#)

Will the Mayor appeal to media organisations to allow images they have collected during the riots to be passed on to the police to assist them in their efforts to capture and prosecute rioters and looters?

Laburnham Boat Club Album

Question No: 2626 / 2011

[Brian Coleman](#)

Could the Mayor confirm the costs of the Laburnham Boat Club Album that has been produced by TfL through its Art on the Underground Commission as a free giveaway to commuters?

Laburnham Boat Club Album

Question No: 2627 / 2011

[Brian Coleman](#)

Could the Mayor confirm the costs of the Laburnham Boat Club Album that has been produced by TfL through its Art on the Underground Commission as a free giveaway to commuters?

Olympic visitors to Luton

Question No: 2628 / 2011

[Brian Coleman](#)

Could the Mayor outline why visitors to the London Olympics should visit Luton ? Would they not be better advised to visit the attractions of North London particularly the RAF museum in Hendon , the green spaces of Hampstead Heath, the British Museum or the cosmopolitan

Camden Town ?

Govt Royal Parks announcement

Question No: 2629 / 2011

[Brian Coleman](#)

Is the Mayor disappointed at the Government's recent announcement on the future of the Royal Parks ? Does he feel it is a missed opportunity ?

Historic Royal Palaces Agency

Question No: 2631 / 2011

[Brian Coleman](#)

Following recent revelations does the Mayor consider that one of London's premier tourist attractions and our neighbour, the Tower of London, is properly run? Does he consider that the Historic Royal Palace Agency, which has charitable status, could do with some democratic accountability and that issues such as equalities and the ending of alleged "Spanish practises" should be taken seriously by the HRP agency?

Crime investigation

Question No: 2632 / 2011

[Brian Coleman](#)

Has the Mayor had conversations with Metropolitan Police officers and the Chairman of the MPA over claims that one in three crimes is not investigated ? Will he ensure that all burglaries in particular are investigated, if necessary, ensuring the redeployment of resources for example from the traffic division ?

Car-ambulances

Question No: 2633 / 2011

[Brian Coleman](#)

Could the Mayor investigate the possibility of car ambulances transporting patients for non-emergency travel, being allowed to drive in bus lanes?

Cycling in Royal Parks

Question No: 2634 / 2011

[Brian Coleman](#)

Is the Mayor convinced that cycling in Royal Parks is sensible, in light of the fact that many of the paths are unsuitable and too narrow?

Barnet Borough Commander

Question No: 2635 / 2011

[Brian Coleman](#)

Would the Mayor join me in congratulating the Borough Commander for Barnet, for successfully preventing the sort of disturbances that were witnessed in other parts of London during the recent riots?

Helping Camden recover from riots

Question No: 2636 / 2011

[Brian Coleman](#)

In light of the funds being made available for areas such as Tottenham to help recover from the riots, what will the Mayor do to assist Camden, which was also hit by mindless violence last month?

SNT reductions

Question No: 2638 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

In light of the recent civil disturbances and looting will you now be reviewing with your MPA Chairman your policy of cutting back the number of sergeants serving our Safer Neighbourhood Police teams in Lambeth and Southwark by 25%?

Pedal Cyclists accidents

Question No: 2640 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

According to TfL data accidents affecting pedal cyclists went up by 9.2% in 2010 over the previous year. Are you going to allow almost a 10% increase in cycling accidents year on year? What practical steps are you taking to reduce these accidents?

Road speeds and accidents

Question No: 2641 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Do you believe that 20mph speed limits make the roads safer for cyclists and pedestrians alike?

Police Cuts

Question No: 2643 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

When did you realise that the government's case for cuts to policing is "fragile"?

National Planning Policy Framework

Question No: 2646 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

What assessment have you made of the implications for London of the government's proposal to remove the requirement for planning permission for conversion of business premises into residential units?

Trucks in Cycle Lanes

Question No: 2649 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Is it now your policy to allow trucks to use cycle lanes?

Barclays Cycle Hire

Question No: 2650 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Does the Barclays deal represent Value for Money for Londoners or for Barclays?

Police Cuts

Question No: 2651 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Before the recent disorder you were planning to cut the numbers of police officers in London. Now you seem to want more officers. Can you clear up the confusion?

Traffic signal removals

Question No: 2652 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please provide a current list giving the status of all the traffic signals originally proposed for closure by TfL – including the original 145 sites, as well as those added subsequently? Please also summarise how many signals have been removed, retained or are still under consultation?

Traffic signal removals 2

Question No: 2653 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

How much have a) TfL and b) London boroughs – by borough - spent on the programme of proposed traffic signal removals to date?

Bus kilometres

Question No: 2654 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

How many and which bus routes have had their operated kilometres reduced as part of TfL's efficiency savings programme?

Tube stats on TfL website

Question No: 2655 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

TfL's website states 'LU is committed to providing passengers with details of how well the network is working and regularly publishes a performance update. This is updated every four weeks - defined as a period - and gives figures for a range of service and network-related matters.' However, at the time of writing, the last available statistics on the TfL website only gave data up until March 31st this year. Please clarify this policy and explain why this data has not been updated for four months.

Tube complaints

Question No: 2656 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please advise how many complaints were received about London Underground services – by line and in total – for the latest available reporting periods?

Jubilee line closures

Question No: 2657 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please give a definitive and final list of all future closures affecting the Jubilee line, at weekends and at other times, and advise when passengers can expect the end of the closure programme.

Riot damage in Peckham

Question No: 2658 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please outline what you have specifically done to help the very demoralised business owners in Peckham who have suffered as a result of the recent riots.

Kensington Olympia

Question No: 2659 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What mitigation will TfL be putting in place to minimise any negative effects of the Olympia underground station closure on both local residents and organisers and attendees of events at the Olympia Exhibition Centre?

Potholes and cycle safety

Question No: 2660 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

I have been contacted by a concerned cyclist who cycles across London through many boroughs regularly and is concerned by the varying standard of road surfaces and pothole repairs in the different London boroughs. Are there any plans or opportunities you and TfL could take to promote and encourage better upkeep of cycle lanes and pothole repairs across the boroughs as my constituent feels this will help keep people cycling and reduce accidents.

Bus route P12

Question No: 2661 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

As the new school year begins, please give an update on TfL's efforts to improve reliability and capacity on this beleaguered bus route.

Thames Cable Car

Question No: 2662 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please provide an update on progress on the cable car. Will it be ready in time for the 2012 Games?

Thames Cable Car 2

Question No: 2663 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please give an update on how much has been spent to date on the cable car, how much of this

is sponsorship funding and TfL funds and how much is projected to be spent in total.

Future transport projects 1

Question No: 2664 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

The TfL business plan has demonstrated enthusiasm for the extension of Croydon Tramlink to Crystal Palace – a project dropped by you in 2008 – when do you envisage that development of this plan will be included in the TfL business plan?

Future transport projects 2

Question No: 2665 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

The TfL business plan has demonstrated enthusiasm for the extension of the Bakerloo line southwards via Southwark and Lewisham to Hayes. When do you envisage that development of this plan will be included in the TfL business plan?

London-Surrey Cycle Classic

Question No: 2666 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

It is reported that motorists were very critical of the recent test event relating to the above in August, describing it as causing 'chaos' and 'gridlock'. Are you concerned about this and how will TfL improve this for future test events, and indeed the Games itself?

Cycle Super Highways

Question No: 2667 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please give an update on the Cycle Super Highway programme. What evaluation of these schemes has been done so far?

Cycle Super Highways 2

Question No: 2668 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

How much money has been spent on the Cycle Super Highway programme to date? How much of this is Barclays sponsorship and how much is TfL funds?

Red Routes and blocked drains.

Question No: 2669 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

The recent heavy rain has highlighted that sections of our Red routes, including around Kennington, have inadequate or blocked drains. Do you believe that TfL have adequate inspection and drainage clearance arrangements in place to deal with red routes in leafy areas which regularly develop problems with blocked drains?

Funding for young people

Question No: 2670 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

In a table please give the annual budgetary allocations from both the GLA and LDA which were intended specifically for activities for young people during each of the last five years.

South London Line removal 1

Question No: 2671 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Following my recent survey of Clapham residents it became clear that many people living near Clapham High Street and Wandsworth Road rail stations were not aware of the impending removal of the 'South London Line' service to Victoria late next year. What steps are you planning to take to consult the community about TfL's plans to 'decrement' – remove funding – from the previously proposed SLL part-replacement service and what will you be doing to make them aware of the loss of this service?

South London Line removal 2

Question No: 2672 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What progress are you making on seeking some mitigation on the loss of peak time services to Victoria and London Bridge for the users of Clapham High Street and Wandsworth Road stations?

Privatisation of Fire Brigade Control Room staff

Question No: 2673 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Do you support the Chairman of LFEPAs proposals to turn London Fire Brigades' outstanding control room into yet another private sector managed call centre? Does TfL's difficult experience with private sector provided call centres give you any confidence at all that this would be a wise move?

Outer London Funding Investment

Question No: 2674 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

When will I receive the reply to Question number 2352/2011? The information I requested was promised "by the end of July." Can you please supply the information as requested?

New Bus for London 1

Question No: 2675 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

In your reply to earlier questions your response on the reduction in greenhouse gas emissions of Hybrid buses and the new bus for London was given in comparative percentages - could you now please give some actual quantitative data on the performance of the new bus for London as compared to the hybrid buses. Give data on NOx, PM, CO2, CO and HC for the New Bus for London and compare this with hybrid buses.

New Bus for London 2

Question No: 2676 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Why are the prototype New Routemaster buses for London being built to a Euro V compliance standard when the Euro VI standard will be applied from 2014 – are Euro VI engines not currently available?

Mayor's Fund for London

Question No: 2677 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

As Patron of the Mayor's fund for London, which you do as the Mayor of London, are you satisfied that the Charity is not spending a disproportionate amount of funding on administration, fundraising, development and strategy as opposed to directly benefitting Londoners?

Northern Line Extension

Question No: 2678 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What is the planned timetable for developing the plans and designs for the extension and what further opportunities to influence this scheme will local residents and Councillors along the planned route have before the project is submitted to Parliament?

London Bridge redevelopment - Southwark Playhouse

Question No: 2679 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Will you be urging Network rail to put serious effort into finding new alternative accommodation for the Southwark Playhouse as their move is necessitated by the redevelopment of London Bridge station.

London Bridge Redevelopment - Cycling

Question No: 2680 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

The station redevelopment will be of a great benefit to London, but I am concerned that the redesign does remove cycling routes in the area. Will you be urging Network Rail to find a way of providing some replacement passage routes under the track and some storage facilities for cyclists?

Bus Crime in Southwark

Question No: 2681 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Crime on buses in Southwark has risen by 26% over the latest quarter - what steps are TfL and the Police working together taking to tackle this growing problem?

Outer London Fund – Southwark

Question No: 2682 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Will you review the Outer London's Fund's recent decision to refuse to assist with the improvements and support of Peckham's town centre and grant support to Southwark to boost Peckham town centre in light of the recent riots and looting and the significant damage to businesses on Rye Lane?

Litter

Question No: 2683 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

A constituent has contacted me about the appalling amount of litter and general filthy state of roads and pavements between Victoria Station and Hyde Park. She was horrified at the amount of rubbish strewn over pavements and ashamed at the image this presents to visitors to London. Given that you have recently awarded £30k to Keep Britain Tidy to provide a co-ordinator to help deliver the 2011/12 Capital Clean-up Campaign, will you please have a word with them about focusing their attentions on Westminster Council to persuade them to clean up their act?

Lane Rental Scheme

Question No: 2684 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

I have been contacted by a Londoner who expresses great concern of the effects of the potential new lane rental scheme on pedestrians, notably due to the proposal that utility works affecting only pavements would not be subject to the charge. The resident feels that the needs of elderly, frail and vulnerable people have not been given due consideration by TfL and asks; why are the costs and time of the non-motorised public realm user/voter dismissed from the study? There is concern that this will encourage more works involving pavements, obviously this is to the detriment of pedestrians. Can you provide reassurance that contractors will not be allowed to block pedestrian footways in order to avoid a lane rental charge?

'Pedal Confusion' Study

Question No: 2685 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

When will TfL make public the findings of their study into 'pedal confusion' among London's bus drivers – that is, when drivers have accidentally pressed the accelerator instead of the brake, in one case causing a fatal accident.

Pedestrian Countdown Equalities Impact Assessment

Question No: 2686 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

When will TfL publish the findings of the Pedestrian Countdown Equalities Impact Assessment?

London Bridge bus congestion

Question No: 2687 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

There are currently issues with congestion at London Bridge station caused by the current 'Shard' development works. This seems to be having a disproportionate effect on the buses

leaving and entering the bus terminus at the station, potentially affecting journey times and efficiency. What steps are Transport for London taking to minimise disruption to bus services during these works?

New Trams

Question No: 2688 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Tramlink have recently purchased six new trams from the German company Stadler Rail. The trams were originally designed for use in Bergen, Norway and differ from the existing Tramlink fleet as they are longer and have a different interior. I understand both the new vehicles and the existing Tramlink infrastructure will need altering so that the new trams can run on the network properly. What will these alterations cost? Are TfL making a saving by buying 'secondhand' rather than trams designed for the Croydon system? If so what is the saving and what has this endeavour cost as compared to buying new trams which are designed for use on the existing system?

New Trams 2

Question No: 2689 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What were the reasons for TfL's purchase of trams designed for use in Norway, rather than purchasing trams designed for the Croydon system? Please outline the tender process for the new trams.

New Trams 3

Question No: 2690 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

On the press release announcing the purchase of new trams for Tramlink, there is a note stating that 'At 32 metres long, the Stadler trams are 2.5 metres longer than the existing vehicles, are air-conditioned, and are low-floor which provides better accessibility'. Given that accessibility on Tramlink is entirely step free, what do TfL think is wrong with the accessibility of the existing vehicles and why are the new trams 'better' in this regard?

Crossrail tender

Question No: 2691 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What is your view on the decision to delay tendering for Crossrail trains? Do you share hopes that contract will go to a UK based firm, providing valuable manufacturing jobs in these unstable times?

Primary School Places

Question No: 2692 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What steps have you taken to make London's case for a fair slice of government funding to tackle the acute shortage of primary school places?

Cycle Super Highways wet weather conditions

Question No: 2693 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

A Londoner has asked that I put the following question to you:

'Has anyone who designed or laid the CSH along York Road near the Wandsworth roundabout ridden on it in the wet? This is a painted surface that you cannot stop on, there are quite a few areas like this, the part leading up to Chelsea Bridge from the south side is the same. I nearly went under a bus, as I couldn't stop!! There is no grip at all, very fast in the dry lethal in the wet.'

Please ask TfL to investigate and address this.

Communities Against Guns, Gangs and Knives initiative

Question No: 2694 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Following the announcement in June 2011, can the Mayor confirm what funding has been allocated to London boroughs and the MPS from the Communities Against Guns, Gangs and Knives initiative?'

Excessive Journey Times

Question No: 2695 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please list excess journey time, month by month in 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, by each tube line and across the tube network.

Tube Train Service

Question No: 2696 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please list the number of tube trains in service, month by month, in 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, by each tube line and across the tube network

Severe Tube Delays

Question No: 2697 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please list the number of severe tube delays month by month, in 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, by each tube line and across the tube network

Tube Station Closures

Question No: 2698 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Please list the number of tube station closures by month, in 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, by each tube line and across the tube network

Queen's Park to Wealdstone: Division of Responsibilities

Question No: 2699 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

Many thanks for your responses to 2318, 2319 and 2322, which may appear contradictory. Please outline how responsibilities are shared and divided between Queen's Park and Harrow & Wealdstone between TfL and Network Rail.

Queen's Park to Wealdstone: Division of Responsibilities 2

Question No: 2700 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

In response to 2322, where else to 'lease areas' vary from Network Rail land? Please provide information and diagrams if possible for the Bakerloo Line/London Overground stretch north of Queen's Park.

Queen's Park to Wealdstone: Division of Responsibilities 3

Question No: 2701 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

Are step-free improvements on the Bakerloo Line/London Overground stretch north of Queen's Park now the responsibility of Transport for London or do they remain for Network Rail's Access for All funding?

Municipal Journal Awards and Harrow Council

Question No: 2702 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

Is your response to question 2328/2011 exemplary of your "new relationship with the boroughs?"

London GP Practice Portal

Question No: 2703 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

You seem to have misunderstood my question 2340/2011. What is the benefit of a Londonwide GP practise portal when GP practices, and the new consortia models will only provide localised eligibility, not citywide registration?

Willesden Green

Question No: 2704 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

How many passengers used Willesden Green station when it was opened as a stop on the Metropolitan Line during the Jubilee Line closures over the past two years? What are the obstacles to making it a permanent stop on the Metropolitan Line?

Stanmore Station

Question No: 2705 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

Would you agree that accessible de jure doesn't necessarily equal accessible de facto? This is

the case with Stanmore Station, which is deemed by TfL as accessible but in practice is extremely difficult for disabled people, people with luggage, elderly people and people with children to navigate because there is no lift?

Harlesden traffic

Question No: 2706 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

Harlesden's residents suffer from a high volume of lorry traffic. This is due to weight restrictions on the Scrubs Lane bridge in Hammersmith & Fulham. Lorry traffic has to pass through High Street Harlesden and by many residential properties. What discussions have TfL had with Hammersmith & Fulham in regard to the traffic diversions, increased emissions in residential areas resulting from this and any potential upgrade?

Energy Efficiency Plans

Question No: 2707 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

Can I have a list of the stations who have Energy Efficiency Plans and when will all stations have one?

Manual Light Switches

Question No: 2708 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

Is it a TfL policy to install manual light switches in London Underground stations? How long will this take and how much energy do TfL calculate this could save?

Reducing Jubilee Line speeds

Question No: 2709 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

A constituent has contacted me to request a slight reduction in the speed of trains on the Jubilee line when passing very near to houses where the gardens are in close proximity to the lines? Local residents have noticed that speed reductions make a great deal of difference to the level of noise heard. Would this provide a simple and cost effective way of reducing the day to day noise that the trains create although providing a minimal, and previously tolerated delay?

NHS Waiting Lists

Question No: 2710 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

Are you concerned about the consequences for equality in health outcomes in London, following the increase in NHS waiting times by an average of 61% nationwide over the last year?

Health Inequalities as a National Priority

Question No: 2711 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

Public Health Manchester have recently published findings that changes in the weighting awarded to health inequalities within the PCT allocation (from 15% to 10%), a ministerial

judgement, are resulting in significant overall cuts to PCTs in deprived areas, such as Tower Hamlets' reduction at almost £19,000 and with the NHS London Strategic Health Authority itself losing £40,000. In contrast, Surrey PCT is receiving a £61,000 increase as a result of this reformulation. Is it difficult to have Mayoral responsibility for health inequality reduction in the capital when the national government are reducing this priority within NHS funding? What meetings did the Mayor and his Health Advisor have in regard to lobbying against this proportional loss of cash for the NHS in London, or is this yet another area where you have failed to represent the capital, and it's most vulnerable in regard to cuts and ideological priorities?

Mental Health Funding

Question No: 2712 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

Have you lobbied for well-funded mental health services in the capital? If so, when?

EDL

Question No: 2713 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

Do you and the MPA support Detective Chief Superintendent Adrian Tudway's claim that EDL is "not a far right group". Can you explain the reason for the position you take on this matter.

EDL 2

Question No: 2714 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

According to Searchlight ('HOPE not hate campaign') Detective Chief Superintendent Adrian Tudway, the officer in charge of political extremism, refuses to accept that EDL is a racist organisation. Do you support Searchlight's campaign to 'educate' Mr Tudway?

Victoria Line

Question No: 2715 / 2011

[Navin Shah](#)

What advice are drivers being given when the 'sensitive edge' door-safety system immobilises a train?

Strategy for the Security Estate for Children and Young People

Question No: 2716 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Please can you share with me your response to the Ministry of Justice consultation on their proposed strategy for under-18s secure estate?

Freedom Pass

Question No: 2717 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

A constituent has contacted me to highlight the fact that some Freedom Pass users with mental health issues are being challenged when they use their pass on buses. As it is the boroughs, not the drivers, who oversee assessing eligibility for the scheme, do you agree with me that drivers

should not interrogate Freedom Pass holders who do not have visible disabilities about the validity of their passes? Will you ensure that drivers receive the appropriate training?

Assistance to Tottenham

Question No: 2718 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What assistance is the GLA providing to Haringey Council, Tottenham traders and other local organisations to assist with their needs arising out of the recent disturbances?

Assistance to Enfield

Question No: 2719 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What assistance is the GLA providing to Enfield Council, Enfield traders and other local organisations to assist with their needs arising out of the recent disturbances?

Safer Neighbourhood Teams

Question No: 2720 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What role did London's SNTs perform in the recent disturbances?

CRB Checks

Question No: 2721 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What was the Home Secretary's response to your letter regarding the Government's proposed relaxation from enhanced CRBs to standard CRBs for taxi and private hire drivers? Labour Members have also written against these changes set out in the Protection of Freedoms Bill. What further action will you take?

Press Officers

Question No: 2722 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Please can you provide a breakdown of how many press and media officers are employed by the GLA and in each of the Functional bodies. Please can you also provide details of the associated costs?

Crime Mapping

Question No: 2723 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What are your thoughts on Direct Line's recent survey that revealed 14% of London residents have not reported a crime for fear of it showing on a police crime map and affecting their house sale or rental, and that 24% would not do so in future for the same reason?

Youth projects

Question No: 2724 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Numerous commentaries on the recent disturbances in our Capital have warned that the continuing cuts to youth services are a major factor of discontent. Would you recommend reinstating the £8m Borough Command Unit Fund which funded many valuable diversionary schemes, such as the Haringey Police Community Boxing Club, as the MPA Partnership fund of £1.6m is a poor substitute?

Disturbances in London

Question No: 2725 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

How much did it cost to police the recent disturbances in the Capital? What case are you making to Government that they should pay for this?

Funding for Broomfield House

Question No: 2726 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What is the progress with utilising £8.6m underspend from the 2008-11 Targeted Funding Stream programme in the North sub region for this project?

Re:New 1

Question No: 2727 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

What is anticipated to be the average capital spend per household through the Re:New programme and what proportion is estimated to come from grant and what proportion from the homeowner?

Re:New 2

Question No: 2728 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

What is the estimated average reduction in CO2 emissions per household through Re:New?

Re:New 3

Question No: 2729 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

What loan facilities are available to participants in the Re:New programme and on what conditions are these available (for example, repayment times, interest rates, etc)?

Athletes Village 1

Question No: 2730 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Can the Mayor confirm that the Athlete's Village will contain social rented homes and if so how many?

Athletes Village 2

Question No: 2731 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

The private homes on Athlete's Village land have been sold to Delancey and Qatari Diar with a commitment that the majority of homes in the Village will be for rent, not for sale, creating the UK's first private sector residential fund of over 1,000 homes to be owned and directly managed as an investment.

What discussions has the Mayor had with this group about what the development can (and will) offer private rented sector tenants in terms of stability and security of tenure in order to tackle the problem of transience in the sector?

Rough Sleeping 1

Question No: 2732 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

What factors do you believe have led to the recent CHAIN figures, which show that rough sleeping in London is on the rise again?

Rough Sleeping 2

Question No: 2733 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

In light of disappointing CHAIN figures on rough sleeping in London, how have you adapted your policies to meet your target to end rough sleeping by 2012?

National Planning Policy Framework 1

Question No: 2734 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Do you agree with Richard Bourn of the Campaign for Better Transport that the proposed removal of the cap on acceptable parking provision on major schemes will lead to more car use and how will this impact upon your Transport Strategy?

National Planning Policy Framework 2

Question No: 2735 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Do you agree with the Government's proposal to remove targets for brownfield development? What impact do you anticipate this having on urban regeneration in London?

National Planning Policy Framework 3

Question No: 2736 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Are you happy with the Government's proposals outlined in the National Planning Policy Framework, what amendments did you seek during the consultation period?

National Planning Policy Framework 4

Question No: 2737 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Do you anticipate that the proposed changes outlined in the National Planning Policy Framework would necessitate revisions to your London Plan?

Homes damaged by rioting

Question No: 2738 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Is it known how many homes suffered fire damage during the London riots? Of these, is it known how many of these homes were made (a) permanently and (b) temporarily uninhabitable?

Local Housing Allowance

Question No: 2739 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Are you concerned by BDRC Continental's research revealing that 25% of landlords are examining ways of reducing their number of LHA tenants? What are you doing to prevent the disastrous impact this would have in London?

Social Care and the London Plan 1

Question No: 2740 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

I have received an email from the English Community Care Association, who is concerned that the extension of affordable housing principles to residential care homes (as outlined in paragraph 3.51 of your new London Plan) will result in "very little new provision... (and) will also stop older facilities being replaced by new provision".

Could you explain whether you agree with this assessment or not?

Social Care and the London Plan 2

Question No: 2741 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Did any responses received during the consultation to the Draft Replacement London Plan or during the Examination in Public by the Inspectors Panel warn that extending affordable housing principles to Class C2 developments could lead to a net reduction in the number of residential care units being delivered?

Pratt Street

Question No: 2742 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Following the fatal accident on July 13 involving a pedestrian and a motorist, are there any plans to improve to safety of Pratt Street in Camden?

New Homes

Question No: 2743 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

In regard to the Mayor's recently published London Plan the planning inspector who assessed it found that London needs between 34,900 to 37,400 new homes a year to meet anticipated

demand. Why then does the Plan call for just 32,210 new homes per year and why does the Mayor say that under this Plan “there are enough homes” for Londoners?

Affordable New Homes

Question No: 2744 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

According to evidence before the London Assembly’s Planning and Housing Committee (implications of the affordable rent model in London, July 2011) the number of affordable new homes in London will fall from just over 50,000 in the 4 years to 2012 to just over 11,400 in the 3 years to 2015. What is the cause of this dramatic fall, what are the likely implications of this shortfall and what efforts he is making to address it?

Mobility Scheme for Social Housing Tenants

Question No: 2745 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

You promised to produce a pan-London mobility scheme for social housing tenants to help reduce shortages in the spring of 2011. Consultation ended on January 17. But we have no scheme, just the Mayor’s “high-level principles for a scheme”. Where is the scheme?

Community Land Trusts

Question No: 2746 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

In the Mayor’s 2008 election Manifesto you promised to create a ‘network of Community Land Trusts’ across the capital to provide low-cost housing for lower-paid Londoners. Yet well into the fourth year of this Mayoral term, not a single CLT has been set to work building new homes. What efforts have you made to ensure that CLTs can take control of sites for development in London and what plans are in place to ensure work begins before is mandate ends in 2012?

Countdown (1)

Question No: 2747 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What is the progress of installing Countdown across Enfield and Haringey? Please can you provide me with a timetable for the roll out of this service?

Countdown (2)

Question No: 2748 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

What reasons have caused the delays in installing Countdown along the A10? What is the current timetable?

Thames Bylaws

Question No: 2749 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

Are you aware of concerns by recreational sailors that the Port of London Authority’s 2011 Bylaws will make it boating on the Thames extremely difficult for leisure sailors and, if so, have you made any representations on their behalf?

Visit London 1

Question No: 2750 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

Has London & Partners purchased any assets from Visit London's administrators and, if so what are they and how much have L&P paid/agreed to pay?

Visit London 2

Question No: 2751 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

In answer to Written Question 1794/2011, you wrote: "there is an agreement in principle [for London & Partners] to purchase a range tangible and intangible assets" from Visit London's administrators. Can you please provide me with a copy of this agreement and a full inventory of assets that London & Partners has purchased and intends to purchase and the individual amount that it has or intends to pay of each asset?

Visit London 3

Question No: 2752 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

In answer to Written Question 1796/2011, you informed me that "the joint project team [managing the transition from Visit London to London & Partners] commissioned Wragge & Co to provide advice to London & Partners on the issue of pension liabilities". On what date did London & Partners commission Wragge and Co to provide this advice and how much did it cost?

Visit London 4

Question No: 2753 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

In answer to Written Question 1795/2011, you informed me that "two papers to the London & Partners Board contained legal advice on pension liabilities". Are you willing to provide me with copies of these papers?

Deprivation in London

Question No: 2754 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

In answer to Written Question 1803/2011, you wrote: "I am actively working with Government to ensure that the funding settlements across London do not increase social deprivation through a wide range of representations not just about funding but also on policy issues such as housing benefit and welfare reforms". To reassure Londoners, will you undertake to provide me with a full list of "representations" that you have made to government and what reassurances you have taken away or been offered from them?

Anthony Browne

Question No: 2755 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

In answer to question 2211/2011, you informed me that "payment [of £21,000] was made in lieu of notice because I wanted Sir Peter Rogers to be brought in to the GLA as soon as possible

to advance the pace of LDA integration". Was a cost benefit analysis carried out to evaluate whether Sir Peter Rogers being brought in to the GLA "as soon as possible to advance the pace of LDA integration" was likely to outweigh the costs of providing Anthony Browne with a payment of £21,000 in lieu of notice?

Anthony Browne 2

Question No: 2756 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

How do you think Londoners would react were it widely known that, having rejected a pay increase for the lowest paid staff at City Hall last year, which would have cost £50,000, you allowed one of your City Hall advisers to leave City Hall with £21,000 of taxpayers' money "in lieu of notice" before going off to work on your campaign, and rewarded your Mayoral advisers substantial awards ranging between £82,200 to £127,784

Tax Increment Financing

Question No: 2757 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

The Evening Standard's Anthony Hilton reported on 5 July that "the Greater London Authority is about to raise £600 million to help pay its share of the construction costs of Crossrail through the bond markets". Is this correct and, if so, who made the decision to issue these bonds and when?

Tax Increment Financing 2

Question No: 2758 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

The Evening Standard's Anthony Hilton reported on 5 July that "the Greater London Authority is about to raise £600 million to help pay its share of the construction costs of Crossrail through the bond markets". If this is correct, why were Londoners not notified in advance that this huge financial commitment was about to undertaken by them going forward?

Tax Increment Financing 3

Question No: 2759 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

The Evening Standard's Anthony Hilton reported on 5 July that "the Greater London Authority is about to raise £600 million to help pay its share of the construction costs of Crossrail through the bond markets". If this is correct, what rate of return have bondholders been guaranteed?

Tax Increment Financing 4

Question No: 2760 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

The Evening Standard's Anthony Hilton reported on 5 July that "the Greater London Authority is about to raise £600 million to help pay its share of the construction costs of Crossrail through the bond markets". If this is correct, how long will it take for the bonds to come to maturity once purchased?

Tax Increment Financing 5

Question No: 2761 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

The Evening Standard's Anthony Hilton reported on 5 July that "the Greater London Authority is about to raise £600 million to help pay its share of the construction costs of Crossrail through the bond market" and that "a special-purpose vehicle will issue the bonds and then re-lend the money to the GLA". Who will be setting up this special purpose vehicle on behalf of the GLA and what will annual cost to the GLA be?

Articulated Bus Routes

Question No: 2762 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

In answer to Written Question 1568/2011, you stated that "the total cost of contracts after articulated bus removal is actually lower by £275,000 per annum than before with the articulated buses". This is a significant saving; can you provide me with a detailed break-down of this figure?

Art School Fees

Question No: 2763 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

In a previous response to me, you stated you were "reinforcing to Ministers the need to protect the 'exceptional funding' received by HE institutions with a world class reputation for the arts and music". Please may we have an update on your progress, and as to how Ministers will be protecting this 'exceptional funding', as already the threat of high fees begins to affect young people's decisions in regard to the next academic year.

Battersea power Station

Question No: 2764 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

With the Battersea Power Station site worth far less than the debt, it is worth supporting it with your transport infrastructure proposals?

School Olympics Vs London Youth Games @ Olympic Park

Question No: 2765 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How it is possible to have the Schools Olympics 2012 with its national competition in the Olympic Park when London's very own and successful annual Youth Games will not given this privilege at all?

Mayor's Sports Fund

Question No: 2766 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Can you give me an update of spend and outputs of your £15.5million Sports Fund to get Londoners participating in sporting activities?

Operational Freedom trials at Heathrow

Question No: 2767 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

At July's MQT Tony Arbour asked you to: "reiterate your opposition to mixed-mode use of the runways." to which you replied: "Yes, I will."

In light of the trials by BAA at Heathrow in September, where dual take-off and landing will be permitted, do you still stand by this? What discussion have you had with Theresa Villiers about these trials?

Fire Authority cover during the riots

Question No: 2768 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

How many fire fighters were working on London's streets during the riots? How many were from the London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority and how many were drawn from other Authorities?

Supporting British Industry

Question No: 2769 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What have you personally done to support Bombardier in their attempts to maintain a viable train manufacturing business in Britain?

Ealing Broadway Station - Access improvements

Question No: 2770 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What works are you doing to improve access to Ealing Broadway, the second busiest station outside zone 1, where it has become unacceptable for hundreds of thousands of people currently using the station?

Tottenham Hotspurs - New ground

Question No: 2771 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Other than the reported financial contribution of £8 million towards the new ground for Spurs, what improved transport infrastructure are you offering the club and more importantly the fans travelling to and from the stadium?

Proposed development of Royal Mail sorting office, W2

Question No: 2772 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Can you please give us a full update of your concerns for the proposed development in the old Royal Mail Sorting Office along the side of Paddington Station on London Street, W2?

Penalty for driving in cycle lanes

Question No: 2773 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

I understand different stretches of cycle lane have distinct levels of authority; mandatory, advisory and the highly recognisable blue surfacing, but what is the penalty for a driver that breaches the rules and drives into any sort of cycle lane? How many drivers have been penalised for such transgressions in each year of your Mayoralty?

Monitoring Air Quality

Question No: 2774 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Air quality seems to improve in London as one's distance increases from the centre of the city and from main roads. Greenways are safe, quiet routes through parks, green spaces and lightly trafficked streets. They are designed to connect people on foot or bike, whatever their ability or purpose, to facilities, parks and open spaces. It is important to know just how much better the greenways are for the health of people choosing to travel on foot and by bike and some Assembly Members will be working with Sustrans, Clean Air in London and Mapping 4 Change on 26th September 2011 to place NO2 monitoring boxes on 5 sites across the greenway network. Will you join us on the day and help to further our understanding of air quality on London?

English Defence League March

Question No: 2775 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What representations did you make, and what meetings did you have with the Home Office and the Metropolitan Police to prevent the march by the English Defence League on the 3rd of September?

20mph speed limits

Question No: 2776 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

I have been contacted by a cyclist who has pointed out how unsafe certain roads are and requested that a 20mph speed limit be imposed on the following:

Fairfield Street in Wandsworth

Wandsworth High Street

West Hill

Putney Bridge

Will you please let me know the accident rate at these locations, and instruct TfL to look favourably into acquiescing to this request and let me know their findings?

Private hire vehicles in bus lanes

Question No: 2777 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

In answer to MQT 2476/2010 in July last year you advised that TfL were considering whether to allow private hire vehicles in bus lanes and assured me that "A full report and recommendations will be available by the end of the summer". Admittedly you did not specify which summer, but

over a year later I am still waiting for that report. Will it ever be produced?

Hybrid car exemption from Congestion Charging Zone

Question No: 2778 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Many Londoners bought hybrid cars because they are exempt from the congestion charge, but your recent changes to the criteria mean that many of these motorists will now be forced to pay the charge from December 2012. Would you please explain why you feel the need to penalise motorists who have tried to go green?

Roadworks on Marylebone Road

Question No: 2779 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

When you were elected you promised Londoners you would reduce roadwork disruption, and yet Thames Water's recent excessive roadworks on Marylebone Road demonstrate your inability to take charge of this - even on a busy red route.

Can you please advise the reason for every closure of the Marylebone Road in 2011 and confirm whether and why each of these was a necessity?

SNT Sergeants in Westminster

Question No: 2780 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

You announced that half the Safer Neighbourhood Teams across London will lose their dedicated sergeant. Which of the 27 teams in Westminster will lose theirs?

SNT Sergeants in Hammersmith & Fulham

Question No: 2781 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

You announced that half the Safer Neighbourhood Teams across London will lose their dedicated sergeant. Which of the 16 wards in Hammersmith & Fulham will lose theirs?

SNT Sergeants in Kensington & Chelsea

Question No: 2782 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

You announced that half the Safer Neighbourhood Teams across London will lose their dedicated sergeant. Which of the 18 wards in Kensington & Chelsea will lose theirs?

SNT Sergeants in Richmond

Question No: 2783 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

You announced that half the Safer Neighbourhood Teams across London will lose their dedicated sergeant. Which of the 18 wards in Richmond will lose theirs?

SNT Sergeants in Kingston

Question No: 2784 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

You announced that half the Safer Neighbourhood Teams across London will lose their dedicated sergeant. Which of the 16 wards in Kingston will lose theirs?

SNT Sergeants in Hounslow

Question No: 2785 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

You announced that half the Safer Neighbourhood Teams across London will lose their dedicated sergeant. Which of the 21 wards in Hounslow will lose theirs?

SNT Sergeants in Ealing

Question No: 2786 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

You announced that half the Safer Neighbourhood Teams across London will lose their dedicated sergeant. Which of the 23 wards in Ealing will lose theirs?

SNT Sergeants in Hillingdon

Question No: 2787 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

You announced that half the Safer Neighbourhood Teams across London will lose their dedicated sergeant. Which of the 23 wards in Hillingdon will lose theirs?

SNT Sergeants in Redbridge

Question No: 2788 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

You announced that half the Safer Neighbourhood Teams across London will lose their dedicated sergeant. Which of the 22 wards in Redbridge will lose theirs?

London Citizens

Question No: 2789 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Do you fully support "The People's Promises" that were agreed by your predecessor in 2004?

Team London

Question No: 2790 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Is Team London a City Hall initiative? What are its governance and accountability arrangements?

Olympic Lanes

Question No: 2791 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Are the proposed restrictions and arrangements fair on Londoners?

Confidence

Question No: 2792 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

If you lose confidence in somebody for whom you are nominally responsible, should you then be reluctant and sorrowful to accept their resignation?

Disorder Policing Costs

Question No: 2793 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

What is the current estimate of the policing costs of the recent disorder and how is this to be funded? Have the Met made additional funding bids to Government and to what extent do you think these might be met?

Definition of Riot Damage

Question No: 2794 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Are you content that the interpretation of the eligibility for riot damage compensation is correct? It is reported that a number of small businesses attacked in the unrest are being denied the right to use this, although their experience was clearly that they suffered damage as the result of the unrest.

Young Offenders and the Recent Disorder

Question No: 2795 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Many different demands and interpretations have been made about the appropriate treatment of young offenders in the London Boroughs following the recent disorder. Can you set out your preferred recipe, both for punishment, and for subsequent treatment of offenders?

Further Education Colleges

Question No: 2796 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

London's FE colleges are being badly hit by a number of funding and policy changes, including the abolition of EMA, the removal of ESOL uplift funding, the change in rules on Fee Remission to those receiving benefits (the 'Active Benefit' changes) and changes to entitlement for reduced fees for those over 25. Collectively these changes risk placing colleges in severe difficulty, and reducing their ability to prepare Londoners for work. What are you doing about this and what representations are you making about it?

Jobless Rate in London

Question No: 2797 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

What steps are you taking to help address the huge rise in joblessness in London?

Lynton Crosby

Question No: 2798 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

How many times, and on what dates, has Lynton Crosby met you in City Hall?

Anthony Browne

Question No: 2799 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Do you agree with the views expressed by Anthony Browne in his Daily Mail article 'Immigration: the scandal gets worse' on 15th July?

Olympic Ticket Fiasco

Question No: 2801 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

I have received the following correspondence from a Londoner

"I am very disappointed at the whole fiasco with the London Olympic tickets. Whilst I was fortunate to get 1 allocation of the tickets I applied for, there are very many people i know that did not get any. As a resident in a London Borough i have been paying a yearly fee to the event since London was awarded the Olympics, however there was no recognition of our donation when tickets were allocated! I feel very strongly that London borough residents should of been thanked and been given the opportunity to apply for tickets as a priority. I also feel very strongly that some people have received all the tickets they applied for, costing hundreds of pounds and some people didn't receive any, where is the fairness in the whole system. Whilst I appreciate that you are unable to change anything and that it hasn't anything to do with you directly, BUT you are our mayor and should be voicing mine, and I am sure many other people's opinions".

How would you respond to this person?

Blackfriars Bridge

Question No: 2802 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Further to your response to my question 1750/2011, is it true that the "modelling" on which so much is based rates a cyclist as 0.2 Passenger Car Units (PCU's), in other words 20% of a PCU?

Targets for Provision of Pitches for Travellers

Question No: 2803 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

In your response to the recommendations of the London Plan EiP Panel, it states "the Mayor does recognise that ensuring sufficient provision of pitches is a strategic matter". What particular practical steps will you take over the next year to ensure and to promote the success of this strategic policy?

EDL March

Question No: 2804 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Did you make any representations to the Home Secretary asking her to ban the EDL march on 3rd September?

Road Safety in East London

Question No: 2805 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Since 2008, the numbers of pedestrians & cyclists injured on roads in City & East has risen. Why has this happened on your watch?

Stealth Tax for East London

Question No: 2806 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

What are your headline thoughts on the Government plans to increase the Dartford Toll? Is it bad news for London?

TfL Review of Dartford Toll

Question No: 2807 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

In MQT 2369/2001 you said that you would be happy to share the TfL review of the likely impact on Londoners of the plans to increase the toll. When will this review be completed given the deadline for submissions are 23rd September 2011?

London Riots

Question No: 2808 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Why are you proposing to give £8m to Tottenham Hotspur from the limited funds available for dealing with damage caused by the disturbances? Should others feel disappointed because they have a lesser profile?

£50million Fund for damaged areas

Question No: 2809 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Have you yet worked out how this announced budget is to be funded?

Olympics passes

Question No: 2810 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Are you yet able to list which GLA staff will receive access all areas passes for the Olympics?

Olympic Visitors

Question No: 2811 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

London & Partners have said there "could be a problem" with people not wanting to come to London during the Olympics. What do you think?

Discounted Travel cards

Question No: 2812 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

It is reported that TfL will give discounted travelcards to Olympic spectators. Will they be doing this at future major events in London? And how precisely is this to be funded, and the funding decision justified to TfL?

Sports Provision

Question No: 2813 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Do you believe that The London boroughs should be mandated to provide recreational facilities?

Olympic Guards

Question No: 2814 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Do you think G4S should employ those with a criminal record during the Olympic Games?

Games Lanes

Question No: 2815 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Will tow trucks be fined if they enter the games lanes to rescue stranded drivers?

Freight Deliveries

Question No: 2816 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Do you think that the London Lorry Control Scheme should be suspended during the Olympic Games?

Affordable Housing (1)

Question No: 2817 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

What are you doing to ensure affordable housing in east London?

Affordable Housing (2)

Question No: 2818 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Will you keep your promise, inherited from your predecessor but both reaffirmed and included I believe in your Manifesto, to provide a Community Land Trust?

Outer London Fund Round 2

Question No: 2819 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Are you interested in hearing from bids without London Borough support?

Outer London Fund and the High Street Fund

Question No: 2820 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Will an award from the OLF Round 1 prejudice applications to the High Street Fund?

Renaming the Outer London Fund

Question No: 2821 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

I understand the OLF was due to be called the High Street initiative until the day before it was launched, when officials from the Mayor's office renamed it. Seeing as bids have been awarded to boroughs which are technically 'Inner London', did this move just represent political desperation?

High Street Fund

Question No: 2822 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

How many businesses applied for the fund? Were you satisfied with how the fund was publicised and applicants were supported with completing documentation?

Discount fares for higher education students

Question No: 2823 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

I have been asked by a Londoner who works at a higher education establishment in East London to point out that students on higher education courses which have less than 15 hours per week of formal lectures are not eligible for a student discount on TfL services. The questioner feels this penalises many students, in a climate where tuition fees are increasing – as many degree courses are considered full time even where there are less than 15 hours of formal lectures. Will TfL reconsider this position?

Safer Neighbourhood Teams during the 2012 Olympics

Question No: 2824 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

What will Safer Neighbourhood Teams be doing during the 2012 Games? Will they be deployed to police Olympic events away from their wards?

EDL March 1

Question No: 2825 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

The planned EDL march was banned, to the relief of many local residents. Were you asked by Tower Hamlets council and/or others to support a ban on the march and if so precisely what was your response, or the response of your office? If any responses were provided in writing will you publish these?

EDL March 2

Question No: 2826 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Were you advised by the Metropolitan Police Service as to whether there should be a ban on the EDL march in Tower Hamlets on September 3rd? If so what was their advice?

EDL MARCH 3

Question No: 2827 / 2011

[John Biggs](#)

Did you receive any advice from your deputy mayor for policing as to whether there should be a ban on the EDL march in Tower Hamlets on September 3rd? If so what was his advice?

Knife Crime

Question No: 2828 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Why has knife crime risen by 1363 offences / 10.7% (Aug 2010 to July 2011 compared to Aug 2009 to July 2010) according to the MPA website?

Knife Crime

Question No: 2829 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

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Housing Supply 1

Question No: 2830 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Can the Mayor break down the 28,000 affordable homes April's Planning and Housing Committee was told are in the pipeline by social and intermediate and will any of these be First Steps?

Housing Supply 2

Question No: 2831 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Can you break down the number of affordable homes you expect to deliver as part of the 2011-15 programme by year and by tenure?

Intermediate Housing

Question No: 2832 / 2011

[Nicky Gavron](#)

Will there be any more conventional intermediate homes, i.e. part rent part buy or shared ownership, from 2011 onwards or will First Steps replace these tenures and from when?

Victoria Line Upgrade

Question No: 2833 / 2011

[Joanne McCartney](#)

Can you please provide an update on the signalling upgrade to the Victoria Line, specifying any delays to the delivery date and disruptions to normal service?

Front Line Policing

Question No: 2835 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Can you please advise how much of the Met is available for front-line policing at any one time and explain why this is the case?

Police from other Forces

Question No: 2836 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

Of the 16,000 police officers on the streets of London during the riots, can you please confirm how many were from the Met and how many were drawn from other forces?

Costs of Policing the Recent Disturbances

Question No: 2837 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

What was the overall bill for policing the London riots and how much did it cost the Met to draw officers from other forces? Could I have this additional cost broken down in monies due to the relevant forces?

Jubilee Line upgrade

Question No: 2838 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

You have previously promised, on several occasions, various final dates for track and station closures on the Jubilee Line. When is the last scheduled closure date for this line and can Londoners be confident that this will genuinely be the case?

Apprenticeships

Question No: 2839 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

Of the 31 companies (out of 93) that responded to your letter 'urging them to create more than 20,000 new apprenticeships', what is the total number of apprenticeships they committed to

deliver?

Apprenticeships 2

Question No: 2840 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

Isn't it correct that the 28,000 figure quoted by you is a national one and not one specific to London? How many of these 28,000 are based in London?

Apprenticeships 3

Question No: 2841 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

Why do you think that large companies such as Accenture, Microsoft, Norton Rose and Virgin Media that responded to your letter are unwilling to invest in apprentices without government funding?

Rail Ticket Office cuts

Question No: 2842 / 2011

[Valerie Shawcross](#)

Do you agree with proposals to close ticket offices at up to 295 mainline rail stations in London and the South East, in many cases meaning that stations will be completely unstaffed?

Crossrail & PFI

Question No: 2843 / 2011

[Murad Qureshi](#)

With the recent wealth of evidence against PFI, will you be making sure that the train carriage contract for Crossrail is not a PFI?

Cable Car

Question No: 2844 / 2011

[Len Duvall](#)

What studies have been done to justify your claim that 'thousands of commuters' will benefit from the cable car across the Thames and can you let us have the analysis?

Supporting London Borough of Hackney's Communities after the Riots

Question No: 2845 / 2011

[Jennette Arnold](#)

On the 17th September local residents in Clapton, Hackney will be holding a community conversation so that members of the neighbourhood that was worst hit by the riots can discuss the event and begin the process of healing rifts in their community.

Will you join me in congratulating this community for the initiative they have taken in rebuilding after the riots ?

Notting Hill Carnival

Question No: 2846 / 2011

[Jennette Arnold](#)

This year's Notting Hill Carnival was proof positive that the great majority of Londoners love their city and want to celebrate its diversity and deep cultural traditions in peace. Do you recommend that London's Mayorality continues to support the Carnival in 2012 as the jewel in the crown of London's cultural life?

The Future of Leyton Orient Football Club

Question No: 2847 / 2011

[Jennette Arnold](#)

In light of the fact that a judicial review has been granted to examine the processes by which West Ham was awarded the Olympic Stadium, Leyton Orient Fans Trust and Leyton Orient Supporters Club are asking you to treat their club with the even-handedness they expect from their Mayor, and to re-examine whether the 'relevant' football authorities' that you refer to in question 1119/2011 were correct in their assessment of the impact of West Ham moving into the Olympic Stadium on Leyton Orient. It seems to the fans of Leyton Orient that in your decision to endorse the Olympic Park Legacy's Company's recommendation you have taken the football authorities 'approval in principle' as an article of faith. Are you prepared to re-examine this approval in principle and reconsider your endorsement?

Legal Advice Services in London

Question No: 2848 / 2011

[Jennette Arnold](#)

In your answer to me (2215/2011) regarding the cuts to Legal Advice, Citizens Advice Bureaus and Equalities Advice in London you stated that "we are working with SERTUC to understand the current picture of legal advice service provision across London on equality issues and the impact of EHRC savings in London."

While I am concerned that you are developing your understanding of the situation after the decision has been made to cut such vital services, I am pleased to hear that work is being undertaken. Can you give me a timeline for this work and commit to sharing your findings with me at the end of this process?

East Festival

Question No: 2849 / 2011

[Mike Tuffrey](#)

When and why was it decided to cancel the East festival 2011? How much money was spent on the festival before cancellation, and will it be revived in future years?