

# Assembly Response to the Oxford Street Transformation Consultation

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The London Assembly Planning and Regeneration Committee has published a letter calling on the Mayor of London to provide more detail on his plans to pedestrianise Oxford Street and set up a Mayoral Development Corporation (MDC) in the area.

In response to the Mayor's consultation on his proposals, the Committee notes that there are "currently no detailed plans for the MDC or pedestrianisation".

Once established, MDCs are controlled by the Mayor and can have a range of powers – including becoming the planning authority for their area. With a two-thirds majority vote, the Assembly has the power to veto the designation of a Mayoral Development Area (MDA) – a necessary step for the Mayor to take before an MDC is established.

### Recommendations in the letter include:

- Ahead of the Assembly being asked to consider proposals for a MDA, the Mayor should set out more detailed plans which include: Estimates of MDC income and expenditure; A statement of how the MDC will use the planning powers sought by the Mayor; A proposed end date for the MDC.
- The Mayor should also provide the Assembly with: An assessment of the potential displacement of traffic from Oxford Street to surrounding streets, A plan for where buses, taxis and other displaced traffic would be routed; A timed and costed plan for the initial phase of pedestrianisation; Plans and infrastructure to ensure people with mobility issues can still access Oxford Street; Details of how the pedestrianised area will be policed.

[Read the letter in full](#)