South East London Chamber of Commerce

TfL Presentation

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The new (draft) London Plan highlights the critical relationship between land use planning and transport

- Identifies the strategic infrastructure required to unlock housing and employment growth

- Establishes housing capacity for 65,000 homes a year between 2019 and 2028 – around double the current rate of delivery.

- Focus on key Opportunity Areas
The Mayor’s Transport Strategy sets out the transport vision for the next two decades and identifies key policy and infrastructure proposals.

“Transport is a cornerstone of my vision for a fairer, greener, healthier and more prosperous city.” – Sadiq Khan, Mayor of London

Three Main Themes:

- Healthy streets and healthy people
- A good public transport experience
- New homes and jobs
Challenges faced by London

Streets and cars
Overdependence on cars, causing congestion, pollution and road danger

Public transport and quality of life
Rail crowding, slow buses caused by congestion

Future growth
Population to reach 10.8m by 2041, housing shortage, 65,000 new homes needed each year
Accommodating London’s Growth

- Approximately 35,000 homes being built every year – this needs to double
- Over 1 million jobs forecast in the capital by 2041
- 5 million additional trips per day
- By 2041 the aim is for 80% of trips in London to be on foot, by cycle or by using public transport
Major Projects in Southeast London

An overview of current and proposed projects within TfL that will improve public transport links and travel in South East London.

These include:

- South London Metroisation
- Elizabeth line
- Crossrail Extension
- Bakerloo Line Extension
- Silvertown Tunnel
- Rotherhithe to Canary Wharf pedestrian and cycle bridge
- Public transport to Thamesmead
- New metro-style, high-performing trains.

- Better acceleration and braking to speed up journeys, plus more doors and standing space.

- Improvements to track and signalling, particularly at junctions, to allow more trains to run and at faster speeds in certain places.

- Consistent stopping patterns and clear, identifiable routes, to make it easy to plan and make journeys.

- If the London Suburban Metro is taken forward, more than 80 per cent of stations could have a train every 15 minutes, up from 67 per cent today.
Elizabeth Line

- Expected to carry around 200 million passengers each year.

- Will add 10% capacity to London’s rail network.

- From Reading and Heathrow through central tunnels across to Shenfield and Abbey Wood in the east.

- 41 accessible stations, 10 newly built and 31 upgraded including:
  - *Step free access at every station.*
  - *Brighter and more spacious ticket halls and waiting areas.*
  - *Platform enhancements such as cctv, new signage and help points.*
Crossrail – Potential Extension towards Ebbsfleet

- TfL has collaborated with a Partnership of GLA, LB Bexley, KCC, EDC, Graveshams, Dartford, and the Thames Gateway Kent Partnership to explore the case for extending Elizabeth line services east of Abbey Wood to support housing growth along the corridor to Ebbsfleet Garden City.

- Bexley submitted a Strategic Outline Business Case (SOBC) to Government in October 2018 on behalf of the Partnership, to coincide with Government's considerations of the recommendations of the Thames Estuary Commission.

- TfL's priority is the completion of Crossrail and full services running on the Elizabeth line. This outcome will be informative to future optioneering and case development for extending Crossrail.
Bakerloo Line Extension

- Capitalise on the upgrade to the existing Bakerloo line, using the uplift in capacity from new trains running at higher frequencies to service demand from growth in south east London.

- Extend from Elephant and Castle to Lewisham.

- Support 20,000 new homes in Old Kent Road Opportunity Area.

- Provide interchange connections from south and south east London at New Cross Gate and Lewisham, relieving National Rail and London Overground services.

- Provide faster journeys to central London
Silvertown Tunnel

- Reduce the impact of unplanned incidents at the Blackwall Tunnel by providing a nearby alternative route.

- Tackles congestion at the Blackwall Tunnel and approach roads.

- Deliver step-change in cross-river bus links in east London.

- Improve road connections between Docklands/east London and South London.

- User Charge to manage traffic and fund scheme

- Construction to begin in 2019/20, expected to be open from 2024.
- Provide a more direct and attractive route for pedestrians and cyclists between south and east London.

- Supports sustainable growth in the Opportunity Areas of Canada Water and the Isle of Dogs

- Contributes to the Mayor’s aim for 80% of Londoners’ trips to be on foot, by cycle or by public transport by 2041.
Public transport to Thamesmead

- Working with GLA and boroughs on Thamesmead & Abbey Wood OAPF

- Includes review of the public transport options to serve the planned growth of up to 20,000 new homes

- Options include buses, bus rapid transit, DLR extension and London Overground extension

- Consultation on the OAPF planned for later in 2019
Questions and Discussion