

LONDON BOROUGH OF BRENT

Full Council – 26th January 2009

Motion selected for debate by Councillor Paul Lorber, Leader of the Liberal Democrat Group

Promoting Greener Travel.

As a forward looking Borough, this Council believes that it is only through encouraging lifestyle changes that the environment can be protected and a sustainable future for both Brent and Britain can be secured and maintained. These changes extend from measures as simple as recycling more and more regularly, to more fundamental changes such as alternative travel to work.

Council therefore welcomes proposals to introduce a range of measures designed to encourage Green Travel in Brent and will commit to its Local Area Agreement target of Carbon Dioxide reduction as soon as the base level is set.

Council notes however its disappointment that adequate thought has not been given to this agenda by the London Mayor, not least in terms of his decision to raise Tube and Rail fares by well over the rate of inflation and on some tariffs by as much as 10 per cent. This Council expresses concern that this will do nothing to encourage increased use of public transport by residents or Council staff.

Brent Council commits to continuing to play its part in encouraging the important changes needed to help ensure a sustainable future for all.