



Item 9.4(a)

Full Council – 15 September 2025

2nd Labour Group Motion

Amendment submitted by the Liberal Democrats to the 2nd Labour Group Motion

Proposed amendment – To add the wording underlined and delete the wording indicated:

Breathing new life into Brent's transport infrastructure projects

This Council notes:

- That a robust ~~and integrated~~ transport network is fundamental to the economic prosperity, environmental sustainability, and social well-being of Brent's residents.
- The significant challenges posed by climate change and the urgent need to transition to more sustainable modes of transport, reducing reliance on private cars.
- The Government's £2.2bn multi-year ~~capital~~ funding settlement to ~~Transport for London~~ TfL earlier this year, which made note of support for high priority new rolling stock and signalling procurements on the Bakerloo Line.
- That both the ~~proposed~~ Bakerloo Line Extension and the ~~West London Orbital~~ (WLO) projects have been identified as key ~~strategic~~ transport schemes that would deliver transformative benefits for Brent ~~and the wider region~~.
- The compelling economic case for both projects, delivering ~~on~~ tens of thousands of new homes and jobs, and unlocking growth ~~in key areas~~ across the borough. ~~and beyond, including creative and cultural hubs in Park Royal and Soho.~~
- That reports estimate upgrading the Bakerloo line will ~~create capacity for an additional~~ increase capacity by 150,000 daily journeys, connecting some of London's least served areas to the TfL network.
- That the Council has ~~already~~ demonstrated its commitment to the ~~West London Orbital~~, WLO ~~having approved~~ with a contribution of £465,516 plus a £150,000

contingency from its Strategic Community Infrastructure Levy to fund the next stage of its development, in collaboration with the West London Alliance.

- That the ~~upcoming~~ Autumn Budget presents a ~~crucial~~ opportunity for the Government to demonstrate its commitment to investing in strategic transport infrastructure.
- The poor reliability of tube services and the lack of night tubes on the Uxbridge branch of the Picadilly line.
- The thousands of (much needed) flats being built on that branch, increasing demand on existing services.

This Council believes:

- The Bakerloo & Picadilly lines are ~~Line is~~ critical transport links ~~an iconic part of London's underground, its history, and culture, connecting landmarks from Wembley to the West End and beyond.~~
- The ~~West London Orbital~~ WLO is a crucial, ~~shovel-ready~~ rail link that would connect strategic growth areas in West and North West NW London, providing a sustainable transport ~~corridor~~, reducing congestion on local roads, and offering our residents new, direct journey opportunities.
- The combined delivery of both projects, and improvements to tube services would create a resilient and interconnected transport network that serves the needs of our current residents and supports the sustainable growth of our borough ~~for decades to come.~~
- The delivery of these projects aligns with the Labour Government's policy of creating a unified, simplified, and publicly accountable rail network, as outlined in its commitment to establish Great British Railways.

This Council resolves:

- (1) To ~~formally and~~ unequivocally support the delivery of both the Bakerloo Line Upgrade and Extension and the ~~West London Orbital~~ WLO projects.
- (2) To ask the Leader of the Council to write to the Mayor of London, the Secretary of State for Transport and the Chancellor to express Brent's strong support, and to urge the Government to use the ~~upcoming~~ Autumn Budget to deliver on its rail commitments, and prioritising funding for these ~~critical~~ projects.
- (3) To ~~commit to working collaboratively with Transport for London~~ TfL and other partners to ensure ~~that~~ Brent's interests are at the forefront of the planning and implementation of these schemes, including ~~additional lobbying on providing~~ for step-free access at ~~transport~~ stations across the borough.
- (4) To also ask the Leader of the Council to write to the Mayor requesting:

- Services on the Uxbridge branch line be on par with the Heathrow Branch
- The extension of the night tubes to the Uxbridge branch.

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