

Mayoral Directions to Transport for London

The table below lists the current directions from the Mayor to TfL. The MD No. column includes a link to the full direction, which is published on the Greater London Authority website, london.gov.uk.

MD No.	Subject, Summary and Mayoral Decision
MD2170 28/09/17	Metropolitan Line Extension (MLX) The Mayor directed TfL to continue to provide up to £49.23m of funding towards the cost of delivering the MLX subject to TfL not taking responsibility for any costs above the current £284.4m funding package and TfL to closing out its current activities in respect of the MLX in an orderly fashion. TfL was not to commence any new activities, including procurement activities associated with the main works, unless and until arrangements to provide additional funding for the MLX are put in place.
MD2348 30/10/18	Legally challenging a third runway at Heathrow The Mayor joined with the London boroughs of Hammersmith and Fulham, Hillingdon, Richmond and Wandsworth, the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead and Greenpeace in bringing a legal challenge against the designation by the Secretary of State for Transport of the Airports National Policy Statement (ANPS) by way of judicial review. The Mayor joined with TfL as an interested party in the proceedings. As TfL Legal provides legal services to the GLA under a shared services arrangement, the Mayor directed TfL to pay the Mayor's legal costs of bringing the legal challenge as well as delegating to TfL any additional powers that are needed to comply with the direction.
MD2387 26/11/18	London Food Strategy The Mayor approved the publication of the London Food Strategy and directed TfL in relation to restrictions on advertising of less healthy food on TfL's estate.
MD2554 17/12/19	Transport for London support for Pride The Mayor directed TfL to incur expenditure (securing third party funding where possible) for the purpose of a series of activities to disseminate a message promoting the goals of Pride, and other related activities on the TfL estate to promote the goals of Pride.

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MD2592 02/03/20	<p>Bus Driver Retention Scheme</p> <p>The Mayor directed TfL to prepare, finance and implement the bus driver retention payment scheme to incentivise people to remain employed as a bus driver, to ensure an appropriately skilled workforce of bus drivers in London. The scheme will operate until 2024 when it will be reviewed. The GLA will make a revenue grant to TfL of £34m to cover the initial costs of the retention payments.</p>
MD2648 15/06/20	<p>Temporary changes to the Congestion Charge to support the Streetspace for London plan and TfL's response to the Covid-19 pandemic</p> <p>On 14 May 2020, a funding package was agreed with the Department for Transport to address the financial stresses created for TfL by the Covid-19 pandemic. Under the package, at the Government's request, TfL is required to reinstate road user charging schemes and urgently bring forward proposals to widen the scope and levels of road user charging</p> <p>The Mayor approved changes to widen the scope and levels of road user charging schemes, from 22 June 2020. The Mayor directed TfL to further engage with local authorities and charities with a view to establishing rules for a new Congestion Charge reimbursement arrangement for workers, including volunteers, who are providing services on behalf of a local authority or charity in direct response to the pandemic.</p>
MD2661 10/09/20	<p>London Cleaner Vehicle Support & Scrappage Delegation/Direction</p> <p>The Mayor approved a new Mayoral Delegation and Direction to TfL, which incorporates and expands the two existing vehicle scrappage schemes that support the Ultra Low Emission Zone relating to vans and mini-buses and cars and motorcycles. The new Direction and Delegation supersedes and replaces these previous delegation and directions MD2417, MD2563 and MD2489, which are revoked.</p>
MD2987 20/05/22	<p>Revision of the MTS and road-user charging guidance</p> <p>The Mayor directed TfL to draft revised MTS text to provide for road user charging's role in addressing the triple challenges of toxic air pollution, the climate emergency and congestion and, as a first step, the potential London-wide expansion of the Ultra Low Emission Zone; arrange for an integrated impact assessment to be produced; and consult the public and stakeholders on his behalf. In addition, the Mayor issued supplementary guidance to TfL as to the consultation. The consultation ran from 20 May to 29 July 2022.</p>

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MD3014 17/01/23	<p>Permanent changes to free travel arrangements for older Londoners</p> <p>The Mayor approved revisions to the Older Persons' Freedom Pass and the 60+ London Oyster photocard validity to permanently remove free travel between the hours of 4:30am and 9:00am on weekdays (excluding bank holidays) and directed TfL to implement the changes on and from 18 January 2023. The time restriction had been in place temporarily since 15 June 2020, (under MD2642). The change was introduced to meet conditions attached to Government funding settlements that were required to support TfL due to the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on TfL's finances. The change does not affect holders of the Disabled Persons' Freedom Pass on either TfL or National Rail services, where current acceptance would continue unchanged.</p>
MD3083 26/01/23 MD3104 28/02/23	<p>March 2023 Fare Changes</p> <p>The funding settlement with the Government, dated 30 August 2022, assumed that the Mayor would increase fares for 2023-24 in line with increases in national rail fares and provided that, if he did not do this, this would affect TfL's funding. The Government decided to increase national rail fares by 5.9 per cent for 2023-24. The Mayor approved an overall average increase on TfL fares under his control of 5.9 per cent. The Mayor directed TfL to implement the fare changes from 5 March 2023.</p> <p>The original Mayoral Direction, MD3083, was replaced with MD3104 to correct administrative errors in the original Direction, which had resulted in some fares being stated incorrectly. The corrections did not change the overall average increase in fares.</p>
MD3079 02/02/23	<p>Low-Paid Transport Workers' Concession Scheme</p> <p>The Mayor directed TfL to introduce, implement and administer the Low-Paid Transport Workers' Concession Scheme as soon as practicable from April 2023. The travel concession will provide free travel on public passenger transport services on the TfL network to employees of TfL's directly contracted suppliers who are paid no more than 10 per cent above the London Living Wage, as well as to workers employed on this same level of pay by TfL's contracted public transport operators in cleaning roles dedicated to TfL's services.</p>
MD3097 23/03/23	<p>Further financial support fund for Seven Sisters Market traders</p> <p>Seven Sisters Market is an indoor market consisting of 38 traders and plays a vital role in London's Latin American community as a specialist, culturally specific amenity. The market was housed in a TfL owned building that had to close. As the traders were unable to trade, MD2724 directed TfL to provide financial assistance to traders until a temporary market opened at Apex Gardens as part of the Seven Sisters regeneration project. The developer withdrew</p>

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	<p>from the regeneration project and MD2868 directed TfL to provide further financial support while TfL progressed new plans. MD3097 directed TfL to provide further financial support across all traders as they are unable to trade until a temporary market opens. TfL now has planning permission for a temporary indoor market, expected to open in July 2023, and is applying to open a temporary outdoor market in October 2023.</p>
<p>MD3142 11/07/23</p>	<p>Withdrawal of Day Travelcards on TfL Network TfL’s funding settlements with Government requires TfL to generate between £0.5bn and £1bn of additional net revenue per annum from 2023. TfL’s assessment of Day Travelcards is that it is effectively under-funded by the Travelcard Agreement at a total cost of approximately £40m a year.</p> <p>As a fairer share of the income from Day Travelcards is yet to be agreed with the Train Operating Companies, the Mayor has directed TfL to give six-months’ notice to terminate the relevant provisions of the Travelcard Agreement. Should the Department for Transport and Train Operating Companies propose an alternative arrangement during this notice period, which is financially acceptable to TfL and allows it to meet the requirements of its funding settlement with Government, this notice could (by agreement) be retracted and Day Travelcards remain available.</p> <p>This Mayoral Direction is no longer applicable because, as provided for in that decision, agreement has been reached that is financially acceptable to TfL such that Day Travelcards can continue to be bought by customers as part of their train tickets to London.</p>
<p>MD3173 06/10/23</p>	<p>18-25 Care Leavers’ Discounted Travel Concession Scheme The Mayor directed TfL to implement and operate the 18-25 Care Leavers’ Discounted Travel Concession Scheme for those meeting the eligibility criteria as soon as practicable before the end of February 2024. This will provide London care leavers aged 18-25 with half-price adult fares on the TfL bus and tram network. The travel concession will extend to pay-as-you-go tickets and Bus & Tram Pass season tickets. TfL will fund the development and ongoing costs of this new concession from its existing budgets, including utilising previous financial support for Mayoral ticketing priorities which have already been provided by the GLA.</p>