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Dear Ian

Brent Cross West station and West London Orbital

Thank you for investigating the modification of the Brent Cross West station design to facilitate a future connection to additional platforms for West London Orbital (WLO) services.

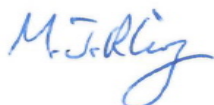
As you know, we are working closely with the west London boroughs on feasibility work for the WLO. This work is continuing following the publication of TfL's revised budget in July and it is still identified as a scheme that can help support the vital shift away from private car use to ensure London continues to thrive. However, given the current financial climate and while we await longer term certainty on TfL funding, we are not able to contribute the estimated £1.4m that is necessary for the changes to be made to the detailed design ourselves. We recognise that boroughs face the same kind of pressures. Given this background, we have looked at potential alternative funding sources but there are none that would be available within the required timescale.

As you have confirmed, this decision does not preclude the future integration of the WLO at Brent Cross West station. Serving Brent Cross West remains a priority for the WLO project and the design information you have helpfully provided will be a useful basis for the future feasibility work on the WLO. It will help inform the most effective and cost-efficient option for integration when we reach that stage in the project. We will continue to ensure you are kept informed of how this work progresses.

I wish you well for the final design and construction phases of the Brent Cross West project and look forward to the station opening in 2022; I would be grateful if you could continue to keep us informed of your progress. I will be in touch

regarding future interface issues which may arise as we progress with the development of the WLO proposals.

Yours sincerely



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