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Dear Duncan,

The City of London Corporation has very much welcomed the co-operative way TfL have engaged with the City and its consultants Cole Jarman to address the issues of operational noise and vibration affecting the Barbican Estate. I was present at the Stakeholder Transport Forum on Monday evening. Could I thank you for attending and for dealing so openly with the questions from the local community.

I thought it would be useful if I summarized the action points arising from the meeting. These are:

1. TfL to examine the current condition of points and crossings under the Barbican Estate to ensure they are operating in an optimum condition to minimize noise and vibration.
2. Longer periods of noise and vibration monitoring (minimum one week continuous duration) to take place in residential properties affected by noise, e.g. in Brandon Mews.
3. Determine the number of uses of the crossover OTHER than for regular operational use (two movements per week), from a historic perspective, to establish the anticipated level of use during operating difficulties.
4. Determine the full cost break-down for signalling and operational work necessary for EITHER the complete removal of the cross-over under the Barbican Estate OR its relocation eastwards to under Moor House or other non-noise sensitive location.
5. Undertake a detailed Investigation of a Temporary Speed Limit whilst traversing the crossover, to examine BOTH noise/vibration issues AND operational implications including any additional costs.

6. A further challenge to be made to the Service Control Team on the necessity for the crossover to remain in its current location under Brandon Mews.

The City of London very much appreciates the partnership working with TfL to mitigate noise and vibration issues faced by the residents of the Barbican Estate. We will continue to offer what help we can in developing solutions which will meet the needs of both residents and TfL.

Yours sincerely,



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