

FROM: **PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, 15 October 2013**

TO: **PORT HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
COMMITTEE**

**Monday, 12 November 2013**

The Director of the Built Environment responded to the resolution of the Port Health and Environmental Services Committee in respect of the impact from street works in the City.

The Director advised that he could not report any let up in demand from the utilities for works. He felt that the most the City could take were four sets of major works at any one time, and that was what we were running at now with Crossrail as a 'permanent' fixture. The number of schemes had returned to pre-Olympic levels, but the mix was now more major works. With demand for work increasing, the city had to respond with increasing road closures. The City recently had to refuse works by UKPN to be undertaken at Threadneedle Street whilst other works at Bishopsgate, Broad Street and Cannon Street were being carried out. On top of this, the gas leak on London Wall had meant that works planned elsewhere had to be put back, and this showed that the process of managing utility works was an active one, with daily decisions and emergencies influencing the programme.

A response from the Committee would be submitted to the Port Health and Environmental Services Committee.