Budget Related Motion on Cycling

This Assembly believes it is clear that the Mayor will not deliver on the commitments to cycling made in his manifesto and his action plan for cycling in his term of office. We welcome the fact that Transport for London has increased the over-programming in its budget to address the consistent shortfalls in delivery in the last seven years. However, we are concerned that TfL still doesn’t have sufficient capacity to fully meet Londoners’ ambitions to have safer roads that everyone could use, whether they are 8 year old or 80 year old. Whilst it is important that consultation processes are done properly, the plans have not been brought forward to the starting point quickly enough.

This Assembly is especially concerned that many dangerous junctions are not going to be made safer for several years and that greater effort must be made now to bring these neglected junctions to the point where formal consultations can start. We are also concerned that the proposed changes are too focused upon central London, with many areas of inner and outer London being neglected.

Whilst welcoming the fact that many changes are finally due to be happening in the coming year, this Assembly therefore calls on Transport for London to increase the pace of these changes by committing 2% of its total budget in 2015-16 to cycling.

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