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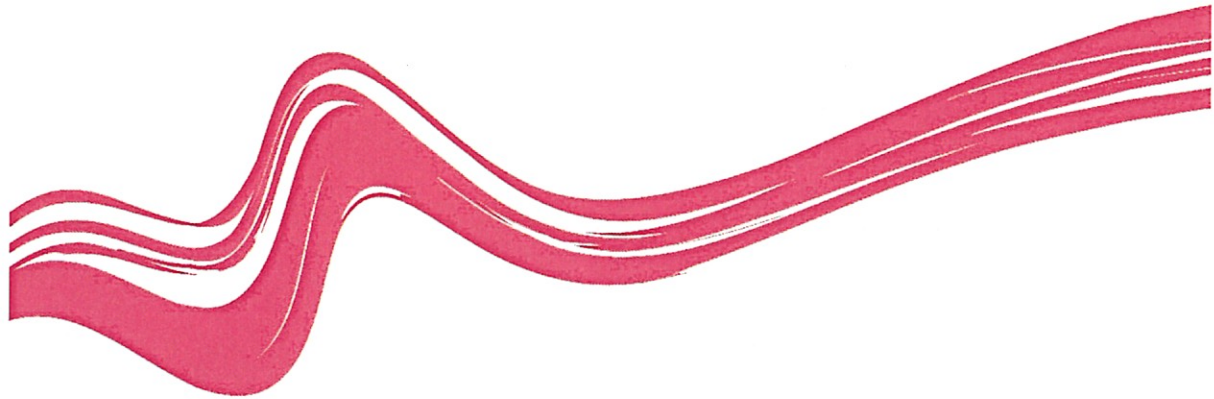
Dear Sadiq,

Subject: Silvertown Tunnel Project

Following a number of internal discussions, the Greenwich Labour Group are writing to ask that work on the Silvertown Tunnel Project is paused, whilst a full review of alternative options to reduce congestion and pollution around the Blackwall Tunnel are examined.

In particular, we would welcome the following:

- A discussion about how we can work together to deliver a DLR extension to Thamesmead. We welcome the fact this crossing has been listed in the Mayor's Transport Strategy, but want to ensure that the project is fully integrated into the master planning process.
- A discussion on the potential solutions to increase opportunities for pedestrians and cyclists to cross the River Thames more easily.



- A discussion about how we can improve the public transport links between residents in the south and north of the Borough, such as a DLR extension to Eltham, recognising the increased connections and destinations that will be available when the Elizabeth Line opens.
- A discussion about what measures can be immediately introduced to reduce congestion at the Blackwall Tunnel and whether the tolling of the existing tunnel is a possibility on an experimental basis. If so, we also believe that the option of tolling Rotherhithe Tunnel should be introduced simultaneously.
- A wider discussion about the transport and infrastructure needs of our Borough. By 2039, the population of our Borough is expected to increase to 350,000. We are proud to be playing our part in delivering as many social and genuinely affordable homes in partnership with you and want to ensure that future growth is properly planned for and supported.

Best wishes,

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