

PUBLIC TRANSPORT LIAISON COMMITTEE		
Report Title	Questions Regarding Bus Issues	
Key Decision	No	Item No 4
Ward	All	
Contributors		
Class	Part 1	Date: 26 February 2018

1. Summary

This report informs members of the questions put forward ahead of the meeting to be addressed either in writing or in person.

Question regarding bus issues.

1. How often have they been used in Lewisham? How many people have been arrested or charged as a result of the saliva evidence obtained? Is this a reasonable deterrent? Why do other passengers have to get off the bus and wait for another one when the driver uses the spit kit? This can involve them in additional time in the cold as happened to passengers on the 181 bus at around 9 a.m. On Saturday morning, 10 February 2018. **(Cllr Jeffrey)**
2. 1. The recent trial of one way access to Brockley station has led to long queues and complaints from constituents. Can we have an update from TFL of their assessment of this trial and whether they propose to implement the changes permanently.
2. Over more than a decade the voluntary group Brockley Cross Action Group (BXAG) have led on improvements to Brockley Common (the garden around Brockley station), which benefits commuters and make the station more attractive. However, the group continues to struggle to get full and adequate responses form TFL and Network rail on questions they raise with them. They have two principal ongoing issues:
 - a) They would like to install bins in the garden, and have them emptied by TFL cleaning contractors. This area is not cleaned by street sweepers because it is on Network Rail land leased to TFL, but TFL have so far refused to take responsibility for litter here. The gardens are now blighted regularly with litter and it is only because of the actions of the volunteers and a

sympathetic Environment team at Lewisham Council that the garden is not a permanent dumping ground. Can BXAG have a response to their request please? Can TFL commit to installing bins and emptying them on this area of land which they are responsible for?

II. There is an on-going problem of anti-social behaviour in one section of the common to the back of the station and near the railway tracks where street drinkers congregate. While the BXAG have no objection to this in principle, the area is littered with beer cans, drug paraphernalia and human faeces, which they understandably do object too. BXAG have tried to find out who is responsible for this section of the common, but there is some contention between Network Rail and TFL over whether this section of the land is leased or not. Can TFL and Network rail provide the details of their leasing agreement, in particular a map, so that one or the other of the groups takes responsibility for this problem? **(Cllr McGeevor)**