

PUBLIC TRANSPORT LIAISON COMMITTEE		
Report Title	Questions Regarding Rail Issues	
Key Decision	No	Item No 3
Ward	All	
Contributors		
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## 1. Summary

This report informs members of the questions put forward to be addressed by transport providers and the Committee.

1. Smoking outside platform 1 entrance to Catford Bridge Station in Adenmore Road: I am concerned by the large number of smokers congregating at busy times outside this entrance to Catford Bridge Station. In addition to the health implications for passengers passing through the clouds of second-hand smoke, the litter (cigarette ends, packets etc) is unsightly. I realise that the station staff collect this litter regularly. I think there are tasks which they could undertake which would improve the travel experience of all passengers, not just smokers. In North America, the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority has, for many years, banned all smoking from the precincts of all authority premises (including open air car parks). If Southeastern is unable to emulate this, could it at least provide containers for cigarette ends? **(Cllr John Muldoon)**
2. Southeastern and Network Rail: what progress has been made in considering re-opening the St John's Station Car Park after its summary closure earlier this year **(Syd Bolton, St John's Society)**

Southeastern: what the planned maintenance programme is for St John's Station platform infrastructure including keeping it free from pigeon droppings, refurbishing paintworks, etc and when the station's closed public waiting room will be returned to its intended use as a passenger facility. **(Syd Bolton, St John's Society)**

3. Southeastern: consider reopening the ticket office during the working day and at weekends and to provide a station attendant to provide better security and information to passengers. **(Syd Bolton, St John's Society)**
4. Network Rail and Southeastern: why St John's Station still has no access to the platforms for people with impaired mobility and what efforts have been made to

assess the feasibility and funding of installing lifts to both platforms. **(Syd Bolton, St John's Society)**

5. Network Rail and Southeastern Railways: to update the meeting on the progress and or outcome of their investigations into an incident between St John's Station and Lewisham Station which led to passengers being held for very long periods on trains stranded on the line during winter weather conditions last December. This matter was not answered at the last meeting due to absence of a relevant representative. **(Syd Bolton, St John's Society)**
6. For TfL- How did the trial period of the one way system at Lewisham station during peak hours go and are there plans to implement it in the future? What will the impact be on disabled passengers, and those who need step-free access (such as parents with prams)? **(Cllr Aisling Gallagher)**
7. Are there any plans to get full step free access at Hither Green station? If not, why not? **(Cllr Aisling Gallagher)**
8. Can an update on actions following the Arthur Little Independent Report into the rail incident at Lewisham on the 2nd March 2018 be provided?  
<https://cdn.prgloo.com/media/download/5cc04fabf4a84e81bc4e4e7c9008e7ba>  
**(Cllr Alan Hall)**
9. There is a need for a new zebra crossing on Blackheath Hill: This is a TfL issue, I understand, as it is their road. There is a long stretch between the crossing near Greenwich Park and the one down by the traffic lights at the junction with Lewisham Hill. There is an intensification of development along the hill with Phase 1 of Parkside directly facing the road and then the later phases back towards Lewisham/Blackheath. Residents have suggested a petition to get a new crossing put in to facilitate safe crossing between Greenwich and Lewisham for schools, shops etc.  
There is a move to facilitate more taxi ranks into Blackheath Village. I know that work is underway but would be helpful to get a sense of timing so that we can publicise consultation etc.  
**(Cllr Amanda De Ryk)**