

<b>Skills Economy and Growth Scrutiny Commission</b> <b>21<sup>st</sup> November 2022</b> <b>Item 4 - Changes to Transport for London Bus Network and the London Borough of Hackney</b>	Item No <b>4</b>
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### **Outline**

Buses are essential for most of Hackney's residents. We all use them to get to work, to school, to the doctors and to see our friends and family. In addition, many people with disabilities in Hackney rely on the buses for their independence, as a fully accessible and affordable form of public transportation. When there are planned changes to the buses like Transport for London (TfL) is currently planning, it is important we understand what impact they may have on everyone.

With the bus network being a critical part of the public transport system in Hackney. It is important to ensure the bus service is provided in the best possible way to take into consideration the needs of our residents, businesses and workers. It is therefore imperative that we check whether the proposed changes will deliver the benefits and meet the needs they designed to do.

The purpose of this item is to review the bus network in Hackney in the light of the proposed cuts by TfL to London's bus services. This discussion is to ensure TfL have explored all avenues to mitigate any negative socio-economic, connectivity, and frequency impacts to Hackney borough's residents, businesses and workers.

*This item will also be informed by the information submitted from residents and community organisations to the Commission about their views and experiences of London's bus service in Hackney.*

### **Report in the agenda:**

To support this discussion the following presentation was provided for background information.

- Transport for London - Presentation
- Bus Users UK – Response to TfL consultation
- London TravelWatch – Response to questions report
- London Borough of Hackney – Response to questions report
- Background papers.

### **Invited Attendees**

#### **Transport for London**

- Transport for London - Geoff Hobbs, Director of Public Transport Service Planning
- Dylan Beeson, Community Partnerships Specialist | Local Communities & Partnerships

### **London TravelWatch**

- London TravelWatch - Alex smith, Head of Campaigns

### **Bus Users UK**

- Bus Users UK - Claire Walters, Chief Executive

### **London Borough of Hackney**

- Cllr Yvonne Maxwell, Mayoral adviser for older people and carers
- Tyler Linton, Acting Head of Streetscene
- Dominic West, Lead Officer Public Transport
- Sonia Khan, Head of Policy and Strategic Delivery

### **Action**

The Commission is asked to note the presentations and ask questions.