

# THE EAST LONDON LINE EXTENSIONS PHASE 2

Connecting South London and completing an orbital network



## THE NEW EAST LONDON RAILWAY IS COMING!

Main works construction on the first phase of the East London Line extensions is now well under way, enabling services to be extended north to Highbury & Islington and south to New Cross, Crystal Palace and West Croydon in time for the 2012 Olympics. The Phase 1 extensions will include stations at Dalston, Haggerston, Hoxton and Shoreditch High Street.

### ...but Phase 2 still needs funding approval!

Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions will create a south-western branch from Surrey Quays to Clapham Junction via Peckham Rye, Denmark Hill and Wandsworth Road. Always envisaged as part of the East London Line Project, the Clapham Junction extension has been approved but still requires funding. It is this link that will complete a new orbital rail network for London and will 'Connect South London'.



The East London Line Group, a consortium of London Boroughs and regeneration partnerships across London, have produced this document to demonstrate the enormous benefits delivered by Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions: in terms of jobs, regeneration, assisting housing growth and boosting London's long term global competitiveness.

We are calling on the Government to give funding approval to complete the next stage of the East London Line project and make 2007 the year London secured its outer orbital rail service.

We hope we can count on your support!

*Archie Galloway OBE, Chair, East London Line Group*



## CONNECTING SOUTH LONDON'S TRANSPORT

The completion of the East London Line Project will contribute an additional 3% to the capital's peak time public transport capacity. With short distance journeys, the peak time train capacity (for more than 17,000 passengers) will be used several times over – the equivalent of many South Circular roads!

Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions will also result in a significant journey time savings and alternative routes from South West London to the key economic centres of the Capital's future, including Stratford, Whitechapel and Canary Wharf. The East London Line Extension to Clapham Junction would increase opportunities to make orbital journeys to Canary Wharf via Canada Water or Shadwell and thus avoid travelling via central London.

With the East London Line already due to link to the North London Line at Highbury and Islington by 2011, Phase 2 of the East London Line extension project will complete a link to the West London Line at Clapham Junction and create a new London orbital rail service. This will provide an essential new strategic transport asset for the capital to meet the twin challenges of growth and global competition. Future stations could be added such as those suggested at Loughborough Junction, Brixton High Level and North Battersea.

All this can be achieved at relatively low cost margins in transport project terms (c.£100m): 1 mile of new railway, improvement to existing lines and reopened a platform at Clapham Junction. The new service between Clapham Junction and East London will also provide an extra 4 trains per hour for users on the core section of the East London Line, between Surrey Quays and Dalston.

Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions is a quick win that considerably strengthens London's transport capabilities.

The East London Line Group believe that South East London trains from Victoria via Peckham Rye could continue to serve overground stations between Battersea and Denmark Hill, in place of the existing South London Line trains.





## CONNECTING SOUTH LONDON'S GROWTH

### London's housing growth is happening!

If the capital is to accommodate the predicted increase of 800,000 new inhabitants by 2016 it desperately requires transport infrastructure investment to support it. Such growth has not taken place in London since the Victorian era. The London Plan recognises the role Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions can play in helping the capital meet the challenges of growth.



Indeed, the East London Line Group calculates that in the four London Boroughs which Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions will serve, the population can be expected to grow by some 116,000 people by 2016 – more than the population of a city such as Cambridge.

South London cannot stand still and watch; it needs Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions to integrate its growth and help keep this part of London moving.

### ELLG estimate of population growth to 2016

	10 year target 2007/8 to 2016/17 for new housing units	Annual Targets for new housing units	ELLG estimate of population increase
Southwark	16,300	1,630	40,750
Lewisham	10,700	1,080	26,750
Lambeth	11,950	1,195	29,875
Wandsworth	7,450	745	18,625

Total ELLG estimate of population increase: 116,000 (2\_ people/ dwelling) Source: Revised London Plan targets



## CONNECTING SOUTH LONDON'S COMMUNITIES

### Connecting Lewisham

#### A new station for Surrey Canal Road

The proposed new station at Surrey Canal Road will complement the mixed-use employment location designation for the area adjacent to Millwall football ground in Lewisham Council's emerging planning document, the Local Development Framework.



Recent feasibility work undertaken has highlighted the potential for 2,500 jobs and 2,700 new homes. The new station will provide a significant boost in realising this regeneration.

### Connecting Southwark

#### Delivering for the people of Peckham

Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions will put Peckham on the orbital rail map. Peckham is a thriving town centre and is a focus for the surrounding diverse residential area. The area is rapidly changing and growing with 1,270 new homes anticipated by 2016. Coupled with this the area also faces high levels of employment growth and local regeneration.



Given its geographic location at the heart of the Borough, it has great potential to provide opportunities for many of Southwark's most socially excluded communities. Peckham is a business district of strategic importance for promoting wealth generation and the extension of opportunity in Southwark.

Peckham will also act as a significant transport interchange between the extended East London Line, South Eastern Rail services, a large number of local bus routes and the future Cross River Tram.

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 **Lewisham**

*Southwark*  
Council



## CONNECTING SOUTH LONDON'S COMMUNITIES

### Connecting Lambeth

#### Ensuring Clapham's regeneration success

Lambeth council is setting an ambitious programme for the regeneration of Clapham High Street. Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions will vastly improve orbital transport to the area and complement local regeneration.



Lambeth's regeneration plans present a vision of Clapham at the forefront of culture and creativity in south London. Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions will underpin the long term success of the regeneration plans, improving access from south west and south east London as well as Canary Wharf and north east London.

#### Securing Brixton's Integrated Future

The East London Line Group supports a Brixton high level station in the future, recognising the funding challenges. A Brixton station would deliver enormous transport and regeneration benefits to a major south London town centre, as well as realising further interchange possibilities with the Victoria line, local bus services and a future Cross River Tram.

### Connecting Wandsworth

#### Clapham Junction: A journey opportunity magnet

Clapham Junction is the country's busiest station, and yet is not on the Tube network. Meanwhile passenger growth at the station is expected to be 30% in the next 10 years. The station provides excellent links to southern and south-west England, and all suburbs in between, but has no direct link to south-east and east London. Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions would address these deficiencies.



The new route also offers future opportunities to put North Battersea on the rail network.





## CONNECTING SOUTH LONDON'S POLITICIANS

"Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions and a new station at Surrey Canal Road will make a real difference to people living in our corner of London. It will make a vital contribution to the development of sustainable transport systems in the capital and will underpin the economic health of our communities."

*Cllr Heidi Alexander, Deputy Leader, Lewisham Borough Council*

Cllr Heidi Alexander



"Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions will finally put Peckham on the tube map. This improvement to the transport infrastructure will accelerate the regeneration of Peckham and its approval will bring huge social and economic benefits to this part of south London."

*Cllr Richard Thomas, Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Southwark Borough Council*

Cllr Richard Thomas



"Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions is essential for Lambeth. Particularly with an additional stop in Brixton, it will connect our town centres, vastly improve access to jobs and services, and provide vital extra transport capacity to relieve overcrowded buses and tubes in Lambeth."

*Cllr Nigel Haselden, Cabinet Member for Transport, Lambeth Borough Council*

Cllr Nigel Haselden



"Clapham Junction is at the heart of the rail network south of the river. Bringing the East London Line extensions here will not just complete the southern arm of a new outer orbital rail service, it will open up new routes across the capital from all parts of south London. The Clapham Junction link is vital for the whole of south London."

*Cllr Guy Senior, Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation, Wandsworth Borough Council*

Cllr Guy Senior



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## CONNECTING GOVERNMENT POLICY

*" I recognise that Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions is particularly important in the light of developments on the London overground network... the extension would complete the last piece of the orbital rail network for London. Indeed it would significantly improve the accessibility of deprived areas of the city."*

**Gillian Merron, Transport Minister – 27th June 2007.**

### The next steps

In the coming months, the Government will be making a series of announcements that will determine the major transport projects which can be delivered in the short to medium term.

Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions is:

- a quick win transport project which connects south London at relatively low costs (£100m) compared to other major scheme proposals.
- plays an integral role in delivering Transport for London's 2025 vision to accommodate population and economic growth
- Supports the Capital's global economic competitiveness

The East London Line Group are calling on the Government to end the uncertainty and give funding approval to Phase 2 of the East London Line extensions as part of this year's Comprehensive Spending Review.

You can add your support to the campaign by signing up the 'Connect South London' campaign at [www.southwark.gov.uk/transport/ELLX](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/transport/ELLX)

