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TfL CONSULTS ON NEW SECOND ENTRANCE AT SOUTHWARK UNDERGROUND STATION

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Transport for London is seeking views on plans for a second entrance at Southwark Underground station. The station, which has won awards for its design, was opened in 1999 as part of the Jubilee Line Extension and has approximately 17 million passengers using it every year. From 2002 to 2017, daily entries and exits have doubled every five years and TfL predicts that the number of passengers will increase significantly in the next 20 years.

The proposed entrance on Greet Street, at the corner of Wootton Street, will ensure the station is able to manage any future increases in passenger numbers and relieve pressure on the existing entrance. The upgrade will also provide more direct routes to The Cut and the Waterloo area, enabling passengers to reach their destination quicker and will help support local businesses and restaurants. The land at the Greet Street location is owned by TfL, meaning that an entrance on this site would be cost effective.

The plans for the entrance include a planted roof and a community space. There are also plans to work with the local borough to improve the immediate area outside the entrance.

FURTHER PLANS FOR BAKERLOO LINE EXTENSION REVEALED FOLLOWING PUBLIC CONSULTATION

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Transport for London has published its response to issues raised during last year's consultation on proposals to extend the Bakerloo Line beyond Elephant & Castle. These comments have helped to refine the proposals which will be subject to a more detailed public consultation in 2019. More than 4,800 responses were received in the consultation held in spring 2017, with many taking the chance to show support for the scheme overall. The consultation asked for feedback on proposals for stations at Elephant & Castle, New Cross Gate, Lewisham and two entirely new stations along the Old Kent Road. Based on the consultation responses, TfL has made some decisions on the proposals. These include:

ELEPHANT & CASTLE STATION

Plans are being developed that would see the Bakerloo Line station and ticket hall move and integrate with the planned new Northern Line ticket hall. This would provide passengers with an easier interchange with both Northern Line and Thameslink services and help reduce crowding at the busiest times. Journeys between Lambeth North station and the proposed 'station 1' on the Old Kent Road could also be quicker based on these current plans due to a shorter tunnel alignment via the new Elephant & Castle Bakerloo Line station.

BRICKLAYERS ARMS ROUNDABOUT

Changes to the plans have meant that there should no longer be a need for a ventilation shaft between Elephant & Castle and the Old Kent Road stations due to the shorter tunnel alignment. While a new station at Bricklayers Arms was considered following comments from the consultation, it will not be progressed. A number of factors led to this decision including its close proximity to the existing Elephant & Castle and Borough Underground stations and the location TfL is focusing on for the new proposed 'station 1' on the Old Kent Road. The proposal for an additional station would also considerably increase the overall cost of the extension as well as make journey times longer. The proposed two stations on the Old Kent Road were carefully selected to maximise growth in jobs and homes to support plans for redevelopment in the area.

OLD KENT ROAD STATIONS

Plans for Old Kent Road 'station 1' are being developed, focusing on the site near to the junction with Dunton Road and Humphrey Street. Plans for Old Kent Road 'station 2' are being developed for the site of the former 'Toys ʼR Us' store near the junction with Asylum Road. Both these locations had the most support in the public consultation and are considered as the best locations to fit in with the proposed route.

NEW CROSS GATE STATION

The site of the proposed station at New Cross Gate continues to be evaluated. This includes looking at ways the station construction can be delivered effectively while minimising any local impact, such as

access to the supermarket. The new station will be carefully planned to manage passengers flows to provide an easy and efficient interchange with London Overground and National Rail services.

LEWISHAM STATION

Designs for the potential new station layout are being developed to ensure it will provide an effective, simple and quick interchange for passengers between the Bakerloo Line, DLR and National Rail services. The completion date of the extension to Lewisham aligns with the upgrade of the Bakerloo Line. This upgrade will deliver more capacity with faster and more frequent services. It will deliver passenger benefits along the whole of the line from north west to south east London. As announced in the TfL Business Plan, the updated plans bring the completion date of the extension forward by two years to 2029, to align with the timetable for the upgrade of the Bakerloo Line.