

Leader's Office

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BY EMAIL

Dear Mr Mayor,

We are writing to you on behalf of Crawley Borough Council with regard to your intention to expand the Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) across the entire Greater London area, which we understand is due to take effect before the end of August.

First may we say that we understand what you are seeking to achieve in relation to the improvement of air quality, reductions in pollution and health improvements. However, we believe, particularly in regard to the impact of ULEZ on residents and businesses outside Greater London, that insufficient technical analysis and modelling has been carried out to determine the effectiveness of ULEZ and to understand how ULEZ will affect the surrounding areas.

A number of Crawley residents are required to travel into London by car on a regular if not daily basis. Many Crawley residents have a need to travel by car to outer London Boroughs for a variety of purposes, including work and specialist hospital appointments.

This was discussed at a recent full meeting of Crawley Borough Council and it was agreed that we would write to you in order to request formally that the expansion of London's Ultra Low Emission Zone be paused until after further modelling is produced by Transport for London in order to evidence the anticipated scheme impacts on traffic flows/ emissions/ pollution levels outside Greater London.

It is currently the situation that our residents and those residents in other local authority areas outside the GLA boundaries, cannot access any of the support for low-income families that you have established to help offset the impact of the ULEZ charge. This penalises our residents significantly compared to residents within the GLA area. It is surely fair and right therefore that detailed modelling work is also undertaken by TFL to understand the impact on residents outside Greater London, so the necessary mitigations can be determined, prior to the ULEZ taking effect.

We look forward to hearing from you in anticipation.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Michael Jones'.

Cllr Michael Jones

Leader, Crawley Borough Council

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Bob Noyce'.

Cllr Bob Noyce

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