

TfL land made available for new homes



South Kensington station is one of the areas designated for new homes

More than 10,000 new homes could be created for Londoners under plans to release around 300 acres of TfL-owned land.

THE land – largely based in Zones 1 and 2 – will be developed over the next ten years to provide the homes, offices and retail space needed desperately to support the capital's booming population. The number of people living in London is set to grow from 8.6million today to around 10million by 2030.

The public transport organisation will work with planning officers in local councils to maximise the amount of affordable and social housing created.

Mayor Boris Johnson said: 'TfL's plans will build on the great efforts we've already made at City Hall to ensure brownfield land that has laid empty for years is put to productive use in providing much-needed housing for Londoners.'

'It's important that all key agencies work together to accelerate the rate of housebuilding across the capital and redevelop land and assets wherever possible to deliver more homes.'

The plans for new homes are part of TfL's aim to make £3.4billion in non-fares commercial revenue by 2023, which it can then reinvest in its services.

TfL's director of commercial development, Graeme Craig, said: 'All revenue raised from the developments will be reinvested into the transport network, helping us to bear down on

fares and continue to support London's economic growth and booming population.'

The new land-release programme complements the work of TfL's £360million growth fund, which is already creating more than 50,000 homes and 30,000 jobs by supporting development projects across London.

TfL's property portfolio includes:

- **Listed buildings that offer the opportunity for residential conversions**
- **Major regeneration schemes in urban centres**
- **Brownfield developments in inner and outer London**
- **Mixed-use and residential developments over stations and depots**

Contactless arrives at Hertford East



THOUSANDS more rail passengers will be able to pay for their journeys using contactless, as the new way to pay is now accepted on services to and from Hertford East station.

The move will see Rye House, St. Margarets, Ware and Hertford East stations all taking contactless and Oyster as part of TfL's work to make it easier for customers to pay fares.

Mayor Boris Johnson said: 'Integrating fares on this route with the wider transport network provided by TfL makes

perfect sense and ties in with our mission to make getting around our city easy for everyone, no matter where they live.'

'I'm delighted that more people can now enjoy the benefits of contactless payments and Oyster, which offer a more convenient way to travel.'

Currently, an 'Anytime Day Return' ticket from Hertford East to London Liverpool Street costs £15.70. By using contactless or Oyster pay as you go, customers will pay £15.20 for the same journey during peak times.

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Whitehall

October 21, midday to 6pm

Roads closed in the area for a ceremonial event.

Southwark and Westminster area

October 22, 7am to 9am

The first Royal British Legion poppy will be escorted from Borough High Street to Downing Street via Lambeth Road, Westminster Bridge Road and The Mall.

Regent Street

October 24, 4am to midnight

Road closed for an NFL American football fan event.

Southbound access only for buses, from Mortimer Street to Oxford Street. No traffic restrictions on Oxford Street. Other buses will be on diversion.

Twickenham Stadium

Saturday and Sunday, midday to 8pm

Large crowds and heavy traffic expected for the Rugby World Cup semi-finals. The A316 will be closed from 1pm between Hospital Bridge Road and London Road. Kick-off is 4pm.

Edgware Road/Marble Arch

October 24, 1pm to 5pm

A group will form at Marble Arch and proceed on a circular route up Edgware Road to Star Street and back. Expect delays.

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