

New 'Hopper' option coming on the buses

A one hour bus fare is being launched in the capital in September.

THE new Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, made the announcement yesterday, saying it will save millions of passengers money every year. The Hopper was one of his main manifesto pledges.

The new fare will automatically be given to anyone who uses pay as you go with Oyster cards or contactless payments, and will allow passengers to make a second bus journey for free within one hour of touching in on the first bus.

For the vast majority of passengers this will mean an end to having to pay two bus fares when changing bus routes, and it is expected to particularly benefit Londoners on lower incomes who rely more heavily on the bus network to get around.



In 2018, possibly sooner, passengers will be able to make unlimited bus transfers

within one hour after TfL has upgraded its ticketing technology.

The Mayor said: 'My dad drove the number 44 bus, and transport in London has always been a big part of my life. The cost of a fare in London has risen for eight years in a row and now that I'm Mayor I am determined to prevent the cost of travel from becoming a barrier to work.'

'The Hopper fare will make life cheaper and easier for millions of Londoners, and will help ensure that everyone will be able to afford to travel around the city. It is just the start of my

plan to ensure that travelling around London is affordable for everyone, a commitment that includes a freeze on TfL fares for four years – benefiting millions of people.'

In 2015 there were an estimated two and a half billion bus journeys in the capital, including 600 million pay as you go journeys. Of these, an estimated 86 million people went on to make another trip on a bus within an hour.

Traffic information for the capital

Tooley Street, SE1
Ongoing until February 28, 2018
Road closed to eastbound traffic for Network Rail's redevelopment work at London Bridge station.

A13 Commercial Road, E1
Ongoing until September 11
Various restrictions between Butcher Row and Back Church Lane for the replacement of a gas main.

Wembley Stadium
May 14, 11.30am to 6pm
Heavy traffic and large crowds expected in the area for the Women's FA Cup final between Arsenal and Chelsea. Kick-off is 2pm.

Clapham Common
May 14, 7.30pm to May 15, 12.30pm
Rookery Road closed overnight and restrictions on Cedars Road and Queenstown Road for the annual Playtex Moonwalk charity event.

Northumberland Avenue, WC2
Overnight, May 16 to May 19
Road closed between Victoria Embankment and Trafalgar Square between 10pm and 6am each night for resurfacing works.

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Poster from the archives

The Tate Gallery by Tube (1987)



HERE we see London's Underground map represented as lines squeezed straight out of tubes of paint. Artist David Booth experimented with toothpaste to depict the lines, but in the end settled on modelling them with plastic.

The poster encourages Londoners to hop on the Tube to travel to the Tate Gallery, but it does so much more than that.

This is regarded as one of the most striking representations of the Tube and Booth's award-winning design is still the best-selling Underground poster of all time.

You can see highlights from London Transport Museum's collections, which feature more than 5,000 designs dating back to 1908, as part of the Art and Poster Tour at the Depot in Acton.

The tours take place in July, August and November and give visitors a chance to look at some of the original artworks that are rarely seen by the public. You could also see commissioned works by some of the world's most famous artists including Man Ray and Abram Games.

■ Tickets cost £10 (concessions £8.50) and must be pre-booked online at www.ltmuseum.co.uk or via the ticket office. Tours last 75 minutes and include a Q&A session.

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