

I regret I was unable to attend today's meeting because of another meeting this morning which I could not cancel but I would like my strong objection to the tunnel to be noted

a) there is simply no need for yet another thames crossing in this area we have had new rail & road crossings, providing ample capacity

b) a new tunnel will generate more road traffic at both ends the local road network is already operating at capacity it will not be able to cope with more through traffic

c) road tolls should be introduced (immediately) at Blackwall & other crossings to manage the demand - its is not "inevitable" that motor traffic will increase congestion charging is an effective & proven way of reducing (peak) traffic (tolls are not dependent on building more roads...)

the tunnel is a huge waste of public money and should not proceed

if there is another public meeting please let me know regards Rik Andrew

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I gave evidence last thursday that challenged TFL's (over-)reliance on traffic models , which are NB only forecasts - not 'facts' - and should be treated with the same caution as other forecasts e.g. weather / election / stock market...

TFL models are based on highly questionable ASSUMPTIONS and are subject to manual interventions / adjustments

I was asked by the Inspector to provide supporting documentation here it is...

"Who will save us from the misuse of transport models" by Yaron Hollander (until recently a senior modeller) describes 10 ways in which traffic models are misused

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regards
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