

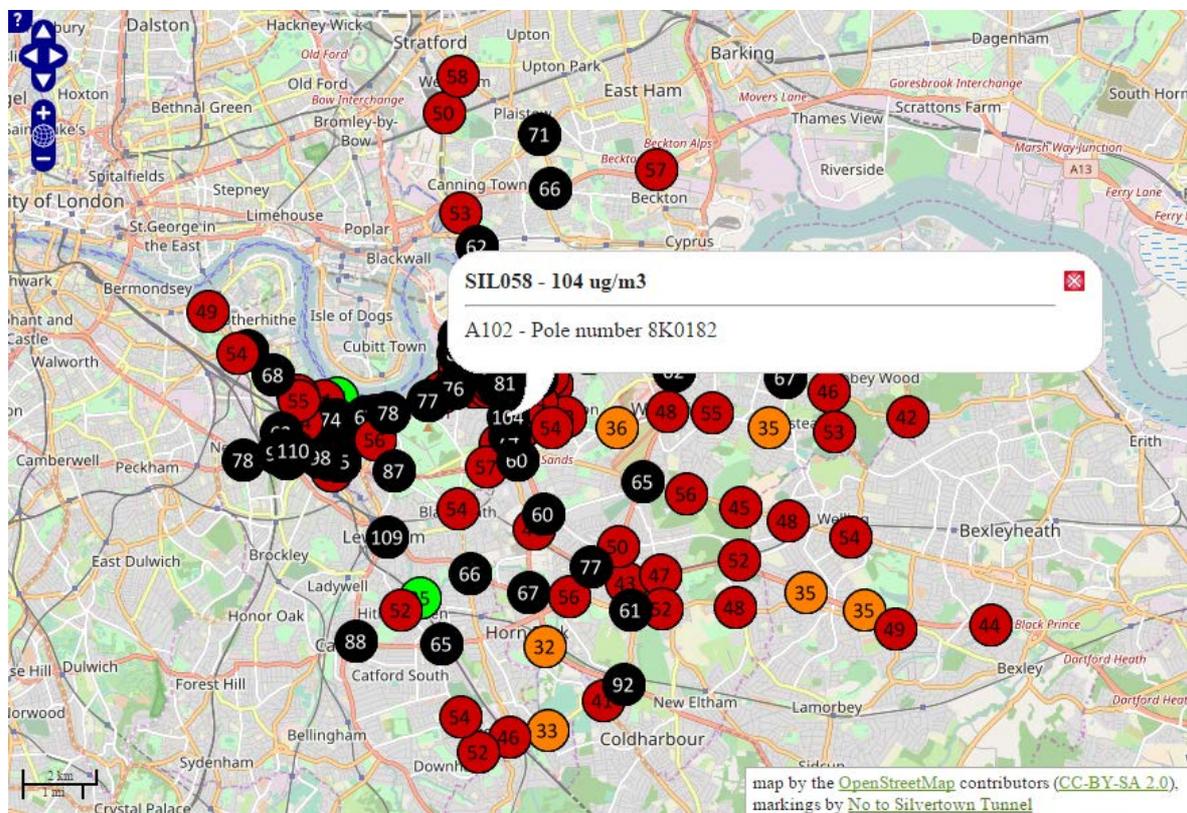
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Dear Planning Inspectorate

Thank you so much for giving me the opportunity to speak at the Open Floor Hearing on 28th March. When speaking the Planning Inspector asked me to clarify my comment that the pollution levels on our road being 2.5 times higher than EU regulations. These figures were monitored by the No to Silvertown Tunnel Group in January 2014, at the underpass that leads from Bramshot Avenue to Siebert Road, and these figures shocked me so much that I started to rally my neighbours for support regarding the noise and pollution barrier. Please see attached information.

<http://www.silvertowntunnel.co.uk/pollution/>

<http://www.silvertowntunnel.co.uk/pollution/2014-silvertown-tunnel-pollution-study-results/>



2014 No to Silvertown Tunnel pollution study results - No ...

www.silvertowntunnel.co.uk

People across south-east London are living with air pollution levels of as much as two-and-a-half times over European legal limits – and this is set to get worse if ...

After I had spoken, a representative from TfL stated they would not suggest a noise barrier to

mitigate pollution. Everything I have researched on this subject and suggests they are incredibly effective (success rates at bringing down pollution levels are between 15-50%). I would be very interested to hear what TfL would suggest instead.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Noise_barrier

Noise barrier - Wikipedia

en.wikipedia.org



A noise barrier (also called a soundwall, noise wall, sound berm, sound barrier, or acoustical barrier) is an exterior structure designed to protect inhabitants of ...

https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-10/documents/ochp_2015_near_road_pollution_booklet_v16_508.pdf

Best Practices for Reducing Near-Road Pollution Exposure ...

www.epa.gov

Best Practices for Reducing Near-Road Pollution Exposure at Schools. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. EPA would like to acknowledge the following organizations

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You don't buy a house on Siebert Road, unaware of the A102, however the traffic and the noise have increased significantly over the 10 years I have lived there, and we certainly weren't aware of the pollution being 2.5 times higher than EU limits until the No to Silvertown group did their study in 2014. Noise & Pollution has and will get worse, there are more homes being built in our Borough and more cars on the roads. If the traffic on the Blackwall Tunnel approach is moving we have issues with terrible noise & vibrations, if it is at a standstill we have huge pollution issues. TfL themselves have admitted that Over Height Vehicles will be attracted to the Silvertown Tunnel, at the moment they cannot use the Blackwall Tunnel and TfL did not account for them in their traffic modelling. These are big lorries, driving past our homes, that we didn't have to worry about until now.

We are a lovely neighbourhood, our kids play in the street, we have street parties, babysit for each other. We are incredibly fortunate to have such a wonderful community. But this will be jeopardised if TfL do not follow through with the barrier, we cannot risk our children's health. Surely prevention is the better long term plan.

I would also like to stress that the barrier should run from the bottom of Westcombe Hill along Siebert Road and to the top of Invicta Road. According to the Mayors website Invicta Primary is the 80th most polluted school in London, in 2013 the NO2 reading across the year was 47.3. No level of pollution is safe but the legal limit is 40, so this means the air outside our local primary school is dangerously and illegally polluted. There are also flats and sheltered housing on Invicta Road, surely taking care of our children and elderly should be a priority not an after-thought.

<https://www.london.gov.uk/press-releases/mayoral/hundreds-of-schools-exceed-air-quality-limits>

Hundreds of London schools exceed legal air quality levels ...

www.london.gov.uk

New figures released today by the Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, reveal the full extent of the city's air quality crisis with 443 schools across the capital exceeding ...

https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/100_primary_and_secondary_schools_list.xlsx

I urge TfL to commit to strengthening the mitigation and spend what is required on the construction of the barrier, to ensure the barrier also protects the residents of Invicta Road and consider how the construction of the Silvertown Tunnel will affect us, and work with the residents to make the area a great environment to raise a family.

Thank you

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