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Subject: RE: Concern Regarding Mayor of London's Superloop Figures

Hi [REDACTED]

Charles was in conversation with his colleagues at the end of the week – I know they are on the case. @Charles Baker: can you give [REDACTED] at the OSR an indication of when the Superloop webpage is likely to be updated?

Best regards,

Andrew

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Thanks Andrew,

That's really helpful as always. Do you have any timescales for when the FAQ will be published?

Many thanks,

[REDACTED]

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Hi [REDACTED]

Dropping you a line was on my to-do list! I do have an explanation that should help! 😊

Here is the context from @Charles Baker who is our Bus Network Development Manager which explains how the figure has been calculated.

"The 4 million kilometre figure refers to the anticipated increase in annual bus operated kilometres, i.e. the annual vehicle kilometres operated on the new and enhanced routes. For

reference, the total operated km on the bus network in 2022/23 was 478.3 million km (published here: <https://tfl.gov.uk/corporate/publications-and-reports/buses-performance-data> - see first report "2022-23 Annual Network Performance Summary").

The 4 million figure was an initial estimate calculated while we were still developing proposals. It should be noted that these are proposals upon which we are continuing to consult. The current estimate for each route currently (or recently in the case of the X183) being consulted upon are as follows:

- X183: 480,000 kilometres per annum
- X34: 700,000 kilometres per annum
- X123: 1,300,000 kilometres per annum
- X269: 1,450,000 kilometres per annum
- X119: 810,000 kilometres per annum

= 4,740,000 kilometres per annum in total

These proposals are subject to consultation, commercial negotiation and other feasibility work still be undertaken. No final decision to progress (or not) can be taken until those processes are complete. We will announce the outcome individually when we are able to do so.

There are also plans to increase frequencies on two existing Superloop routes with increases in km as follows:

- X26 (increase to 4 buses per hour) – 1,100,000 kilometres per annum
- 607 (some increases in operating hours) – 355,000 kilometres per annum

These changes are subject to ongoing commercial negotiation and other assessment.

When the Silvertown Tunnels opens in 2025 the proposed X239 will add to the Superloop total"

Charles and colleagues are working on adding explanation along the above lines, probably as a FAQ, to this public facing website website: <https://haveyoursay.tfl.gov.uk/superloop>).

Best regards,

Andrew

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Hi Andrew,

I was wondering if you had any further updates on the Superloop data please following your email last week?

Many thanks,

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Hi ██████████

Yes, the data is available. We should have something we can share with you shortly. I'll be back in touch soon!

Best regards,

Andrew

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Good afternoon all,

I hope you are well! I just wanted to flag that we've received another complaint about tweets from the London Mayor/TfL press releases. This one is about the Superloop: <https://tfl.gov.uk/info-for/media/press-releases/2023/march/mayor-unveils-plans-for-the-superloop-over-four-million-kilometres-of-express-bus-services-circling-outer-london>, with the basis for the complaint being that "the Superloop cannot be adding over 4 million extra km to the bus network because those km are already served by existing TfL buses". Are you aware of any data available that would support the 4 million km claim please?

Many thanks,

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