



HOUSE OF COMMONS
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Cllr Barry Rawlings
Leader
London Borough of Barnet
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30th January 2023

Dear Councillor Rawlings,

We write to urge you to refuse the legal permission for the Mayor of London to install cameras and ancillary infrastructure to foist the Ultra Low Emission Zone on our constituents in Barnet.

We are strongly opposed to this expansion and the tax on residents and businesses it will impose. As you will know, those unable to buy a car which is new enough to be exempt from the charge will have to pay £12.50 per day. This is completely unacceptable at a time of great anxiety about the cost of living.

The Independent Impact Assessment released alongside the ULEZ consultation indicates that the proposed expansion will not deliver the environmental benefits the Mayor claims. ULEZ expansion will also have a further detrimental impact on our town centres and make employment in outer London boroughs less attractive, harming provision of public services.

We all want to improve the environment in London, but this is the wrong proposal at the wrong time. We urge you to protect your residents from this new tax and join other local authorities in London who are exploring legal options to prevent this unpopular and unnecessary imposition.

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Matthew Offord in blue ink.

MATTHEW OFFORD
Member of Parliament for Hendon

Handwritten signature of Theresa Villiers in black ink.

THERESA VILLIERS
Member of Parliament for Chipping Barnet

Handwritten signature of Mike Freer in black ink.

MIKE FREER
Member of Parliament for Finchley & Golders Green