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Dear

Regulation 28: Prevention of future death report (Terence William Gillard inquest 30/09/2024)

I write on behalf of the London Borough of Hounslow about the inquest of Terence William Gillard which took place on 30th September 2024 at West London Coroner's Court. I am the Head of Traffic and Capital Delivery at the London Borough of Hounslow.

I wish to express my sincere condolences and those of London Borough of Hounslow to Mr Gillard's family and friends.

The Prevention of Future Deaths (PFD) report raises matters of concerns addressed to Department of Transport, Transport for London (TfL) and London Borough of Hounslow (LBH). Please accept this letter as LBH's response to the PFD report.

This letter outlines the actions taken to date and those we intend to take to ensure a safer pedestrian crossing across the A4 Great West Road (A4) at its junction with Jersey Road in Hounslow.

LBH's responsibility and the location of of the incident

The incident took place on A4 which is part of the Transport for London Road Network (TLRN) and TfL is the Highways and Traffic Authority for roads that falls under this network. Similarly, TfL is responsible for road maintenance, traffic signs, traffic signals and road safety of TLRN. LBH is the Highway Authority for Jersey Road which forms a junction with the A4.

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Actions taken by LBH

Following the incident, we have had a number of discussions and site meetings with TfL to improve traffic conditions in the A4 especially for the vulnerable road users. We understand that TfL has undertaken a detailed study of the collision data in the area and is now reviewing the junction with a view to provide a formal pedestrian crossing facility at this location.

The proposals being considered are amending the existing design to accommodate improvements as follows.

- a signal-controlled crossing for pedestrian and cyclists across the A4,
- A signal-controlled crossing for pedestrian and cyclists across Jersey Road (South and North)

The above proposal once designed by TfL will be consulted on with us and we will ensure that the new design is not only technically sound but also aligns with the local users' needs. We expect these proposals to by finalised by TfL in 2025-26 with view to construct them in 2026-27. We will continue to work with TfL and all other stakeholders to secure a priority implementation of these important safety measures.

We are also working with TfL to facilitate some interim temporary measures such as additional signs to warn pedestrians to take care when crossing the road at this location.

I hope the above response is helpful, please do not hesitate to contact me if we can provide any further information on this subject.

Yours sincerely,

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Head of Traffic & Capital Delivery