



Lea Valley Rail – putting Waltham Forest into the equation

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Projects, their logistics and their politics

- Lobbying and stakeholder briefing
- Political liaison
- Consultation with stakeholders
- Technical analysis
- Official reports
- Inquiry evidence



Background to report

- Desire by Chingford Line Users Association for evidence and briefing material
 - to support Lea Valley rail projects
- Supported in principle and financially by Railfuture at national board level
- JRC commissioned in March 2012
- JRC previous Lea Valley experience
 - adviser to WARG and LB Enfield
- Stimulus for action by CLUA + stakeholders



Topics in report

- 1 Lea Valley's economic, planning and transport context
- 2 Reopening Lea Bridge station
- 3 Better Lea Valley rail services
 - A turn up and go service at local stations
- 4 Chingford Line access to Stratford



What the report says

Description and assessment of each project:

- Rationales and merits of the proposals
- Present status
- Outputs desired and service plans
- Demand and costs
- Funding matters, and next steps
- NB: For future projects, defining <u>outputs</u> is more important than precise scheme details



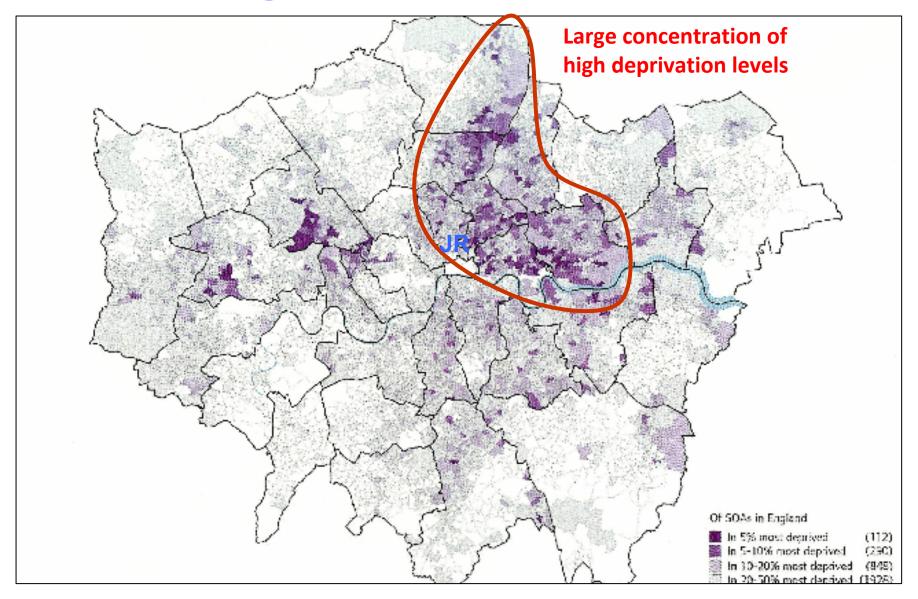
Starting point

LEA VALLEY RAIL BETTER ACCESS TO JOBS AND HOMES



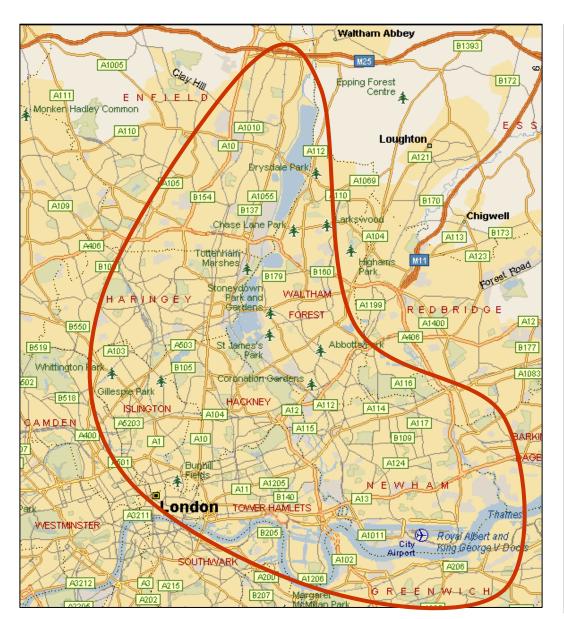


Regeneration needed





Investment and Growth



UPPER LEA VALLEY

London Stansted Cambridge
Peterborough growth corridor

London Anglia economic area

Upper Lee Valley opportunity area planning framework

Waltham Forest priorities, Meridian Water

Tottenham Hale, Blackhorse Lane

Lee Valley Regional Park

Waltham Forest & Hackney MAAs, other strategies

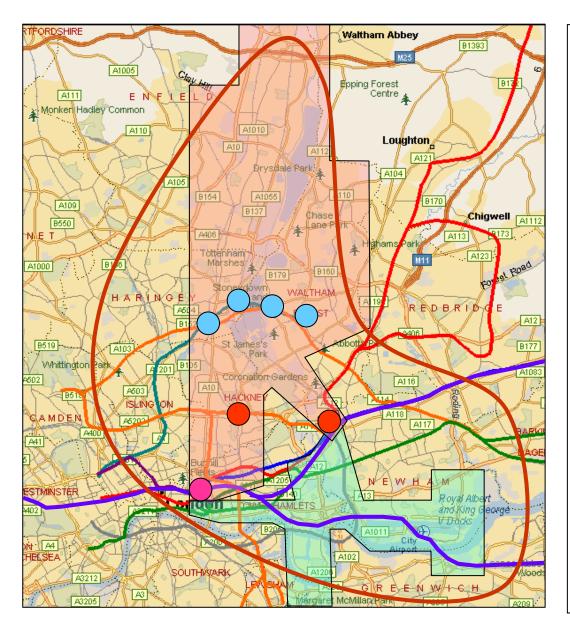
LOWER LEA VALLEY

Stratford City

Olympics Legacy, MAAs



Rail for Access



KEY ROUTES

North and West of Stratford

West Anglia Routes

Victoria Line

London Overground

South and East of Stratford

Docklands Light Railway

Central, District, Jubilee Lines

Crossrail 1 (from 2019)

WEST ANGLIA INTERCHANGES

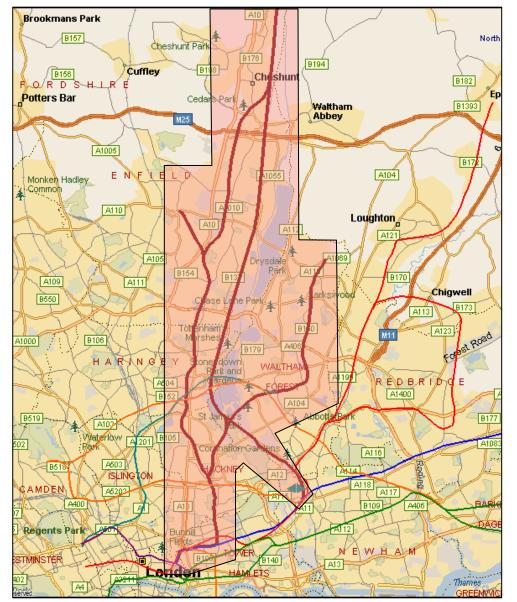
Stratford, Liverpool Street

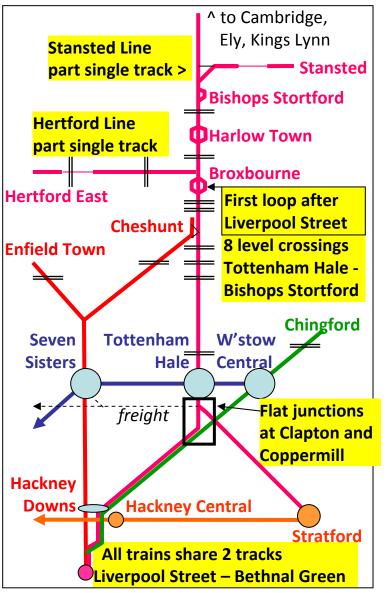
Seven Sisters, Tottenham Hale, Walthamstow Central

Hackney Downs/Central



Upgrade required







Projects supporting Growth

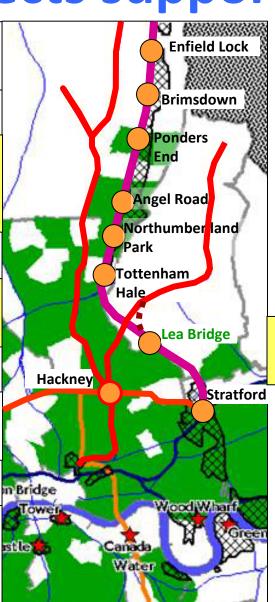
Upper Lea Valley opportunity area

Lea Valley – Stratford local service

Lea Bridge reopened station

Hackney Interchange

Stratford City development and Lower Lea Valley



Extra rail travel:

Transport for London sees 30-40% increase in AM peak period rail demand on West Anglia between 2007 and 2031

Chingford-Stratford direct service

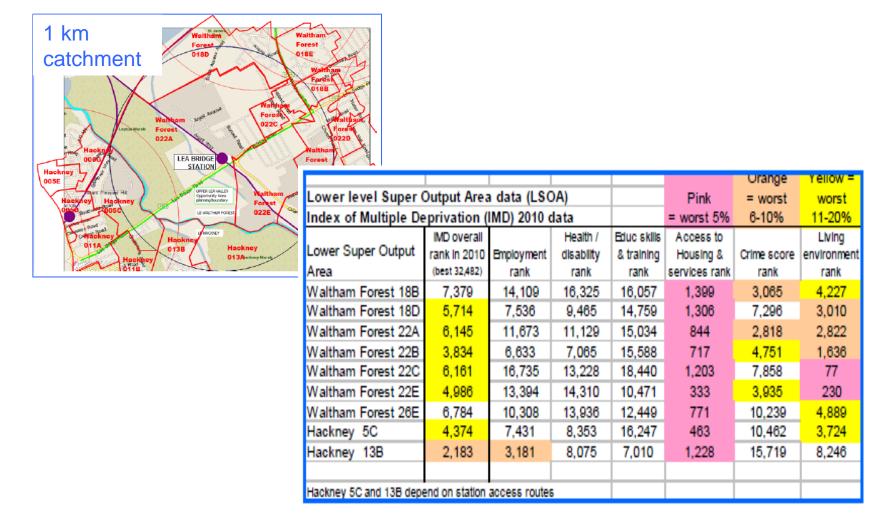


Re-open Lea Bridge station





Lea Bridge: background





Lea Bridge: the opportunity

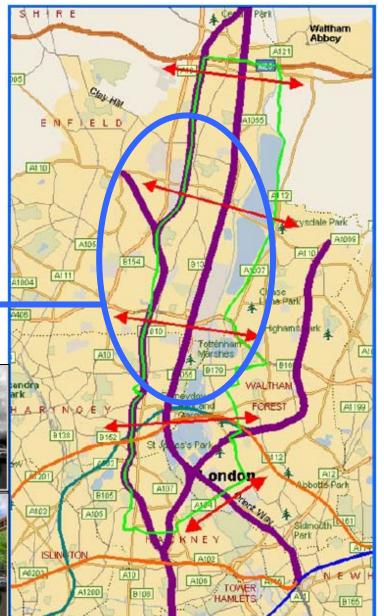
- Now, unreliable and slow access to major industrial / business zone
- Can be 20-30 minutes even to Stratford or Tottenham Hale
- High levels of local deprivation
- Train service past station (closed 1985) has improved to 2 trains/hour (tph)
 - now aiming for 4 tph
- 5 minutes to Stratford or TH after reopening
- Most capital funding in place + high benefits



Better Lea Valley rail services: the need

2014-19 +3,200 residents +3,500 new jobs 2014-24 +6,300 residents +5,500 new jobs.







Mind the Gaps

London Rail values – What we'd like on West Anglia

Reliable, trusted, comfortable service Easy to use, frequent, turn up and go Marketed on tube map Lifestyle transport supplier

Train frequency Stratford LV, and local stations to Enfield Lock

trains per hour each way MF peak offpk Sat Sun Stratford Lea Valley 2 2 2 1 Tottenham Hale depends on stops Northumberland Pk 2 1 1 0 Angel Road 2/1 0 0 0 Ponders End 2 2 2 1 Enfield Lock 5/2 3 3 1

Lea Valley Line – an undervalued railway?

Station usage surveys Autumn 2011 West Anglia Routes Group/LB Enfield

Provisional results for all stations
Stratford-Tottenham Hale-Enfield Lock

| Stratford-Lea Valley Rail | annual entry/exit | annual entry/exit | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|
| · | ORR 2010-11 | WARG 2011 | |
| Stratford LV | 1,048,741 | 1,376,836 | +31% |
| Lea Bridge | - | - | - |
| Tottenham Hale | 3,831,805 | 6,456,820 | +69% |
| Northumberland Park | 176,456 | 239,763 | +36% |
| Angel Road | 28,646 | 40,282 | +41% |
| Ponders End | 259,820 | 691,328 | +166% |
| Brimsdown | 465,520 | 1,031,298 | +122% |
| Enfield Lock | 779,548 | 1,540,221 | +98% |
| | 6,590,536 | 11,376,548 | +73% |

At Stratford, ORR number is % of total, based on West Anglia % of main line trains

WARG Autumn 2011 count reduced by 6.2% to rebase to 2010-11, and by 5% for seasonality



Planning for expansion

Two main constraints

(1) Terminal capacity

Current two-track railway full into **Liverpool Street** – 22 trains per hour in peaks

No more room into Liverpool Street until after Crossrail (2019 >)

Alternative destination is **Stratford**, can handle up to 6 trains per hour after Olympics investment

(2) Lea Valley main line

This can't offer good local service without more infrastructure - Stansted Express requires clear track to Broxbourne (first loop)



Planning for expansion

Route Utilisation Strategy:

Full 4-tracking Coppermill to Broxbourne not afforded: £800m+

Proposal is to create first Phase: adaptable and expandable over time

3rd track: segregated local trains Stratford – Tottenham – Brimsdown

Segregation from Lea Bridge allows extra local station at Picketts Lock

Option C2a, £25-35m capital

- segregated Brimsdown only
- benefit : cost ratio 11.2 : 1 13.7 : 1
- high value for money <u>but</u>...
- <u>not</u> all stations 4 tph at all times
- train intervals <u>not</u> regular 15 minute
- skip-stop service can't always travel from one station to next
- <u>not</u> proven operationally robust

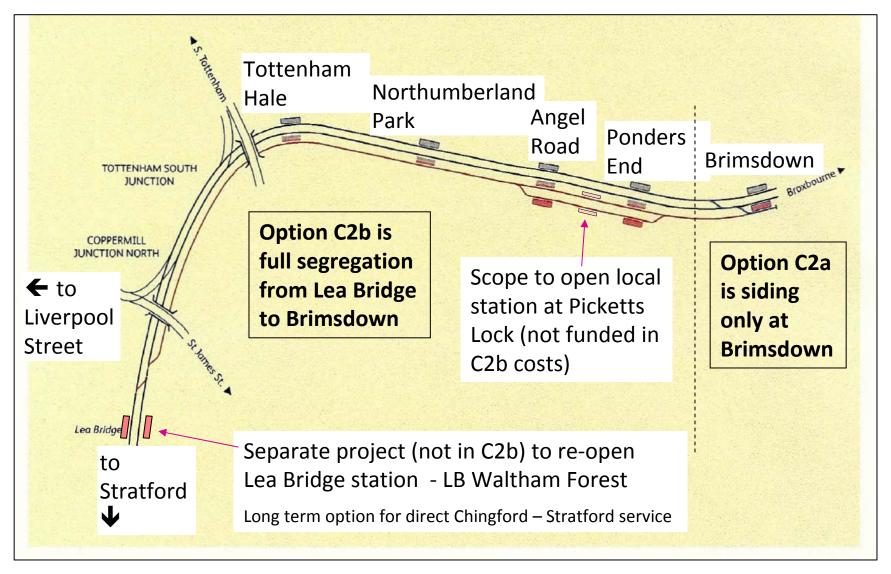
Option C2b, £232-247m capital

- full segregation from Lea Bridge
- benefit : cost ratio 2.7 : 1 2.9 : 1
- high value for money
- 4½ mile 3rd track, with 2½ mile loop
- capable of regular trains every 15 min
- service calling all stops

Larger schemes were also modelled

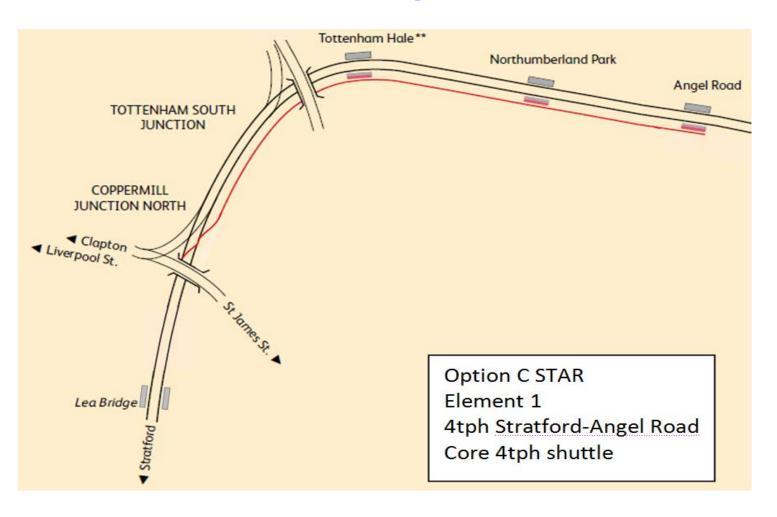


Lea Valley rail options





Lea Valley STAR



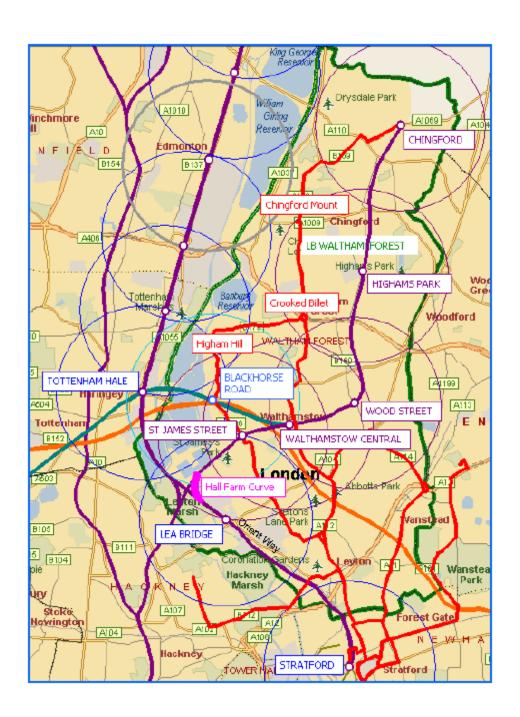


Lea Valley & Waltham Forest

| LEA VALLE | YRAIL | | | | |
|-----------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------|
| ample jou | urney times | (minutes) | | | |
| 7½ minute | s average wa | ait for Lea V | alley local tra | ain | |
| ANGEL ROA | AD (Meridiar | Water) | | | |
| 2.5 | NORTHUM | BERLAND PA | RK | | |
| 5 | 2.5 | TOTTENHAN | VI HALE | | |
| 13 | 8 | 5 | LEA BRIDGE | | |
| 15 | 13 | 10 | 5 | STRATFORD | |
| | | | | m Hale or Stratford | |
| | | | | nd final journey | via |
| 38 | 36 | 33 | 28 | CANARY WHARF | Jubilee |
| 41 | 39 | 36 | 31 | LONDON CITY AIRPORT | DLR |
| 58 | 56 | 53 | 48 | LEWISHAM | DLR |
| 30 | 27 | 17 | 26 Stfd | LIVERPOOL STREET | Tott.Hale |
| 70 | 68 | 56 | 60 | HEATHROW CENTRAL | Crossrail |
| 22 | 19 | 6 | 22 | WALTHAMSTOW CENTRAL | Victoria |
| 30 | 27 | 14 | 30 | KINGS CROSS ST PANCRAS | Victoria |
| 35 | 32 | 19 | 35 | OXFORD CIRCUS | Victoria |
| 39 | 36 | 23 | 39 | CAMDEN ROAD | Overgroun |
| 45 | 42 | 29 | 45 | WEST HAMPSTEAD | Overgroun |
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Chingford > Stratford





Chingford > Stratford

| Stratford and Stratford Internation | nal station usage | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|------------|------------------------|------------|------------|--|
| entries and exits plus interchange | services | 2010-11 | 2009-10 | 2008-09 | 2007-08 | 2006-07 | |
| | c2c, Great Eastern, London | new basis: | | | | | |
| National Rail (ORR estimate) | Overground, West Anglia | 19,136,000 | 13,753,000 | 13,446,000 | 14,187,000 | 13,453,000 | |
| High Speed 1 (Stfd. International) | South Eastern high speed | 409,000 | 69,000 | < opened December 2009 | | | |
| London Underground | Central and Jubilee Lines | 48,570,000 | 29,820,000 | 26,990,000 | 27,230,000 | 25,627,000 | |
| Docklands Light Railway | pre 2012, via Poplar only | 6,890,000 | 6,021,000 | 5,106,000 | n/a | n/a | |

Some examples of different scenarios are set out below:

- Capacity overload on the Chingford line during the 2020s
- Road congestion in the Stratford catchment, caused by Stratford City, Lower Lee Valley developments and other economic regeneration
- Crossrail 1 forecasting proving inadequate, with more demand than projected once the line opens in 2018/19
- Victoria Line bursting at the seams, with no Crossrail 2 deliverable until the early 2030s because of funding and approval delays.

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Chingford > Stratford: next steps

- Evidence about the forecast future state of train crowding on the Chingford Line
- Business planning by the new long term train operating franchise company, about how it plans to address the PIXC situation
- Identification of any significant gap, alongside the post-Olympics scenario for local economic development
- prioritisation of options for capacity and service solutions, including the role of Chingford-Stratford.



Next steps

Tasks:

- Need and gap
- Business case
- Options
- Initial Industry Plan

Status:

- √ identified
- ✓ Network Rail level 2
- √ identified in RUS
- √ included in Network Rail plan
- Initial 5 yr ORR review
- Validation of options
- HLOS2 (Govt. position)
- Final Network Rail bid
- Full ORR review
- Control Period 5 starts

reported, £21-29bn fund range

- under way as urgent priority
- due July 2012 + funding
- January 2013
- Summer 2012 to Autumn 2013
- **April 2014**



Timescales

2012 Include improved local Lea Valley rail service in 2014-19 spending; agree Lea Bridge £ 2013 Go ahead for Lea Bridge station re-opening, final planning for Lea Valley locals 2014 Lea Bridge reopened; start of work on Lea Valley locals; Hackney interchange 2015 Completion of initial works and roll-out of first improved local services 2016 Initial stance on project priorities in 2019-24, incl. case for Chingford-Stratford

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