

## Railfuture London Metro Division

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**Sent:** 29 December 2023 18:19  
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**Subject:** You are invited to a Railfuture London Metro Division Meeting - Weds 17th Jan, 19:00 in Farringdon

Dear Member

You are invited to the first meeting of Railfuture's London Metro Division. It will take place 19:00-20:30 on Wednesday 17 January 2024 at the Alan Baxter Gallery, Front Basement Meeting Room, 77 Cowcross Street, Farringdon, London EC1M 6EL (see [Google Maps](#) [go through the gate] and/or [What3Words](#) ~ note: fully accessible - there is a lift to the basement).

The membership data we are using shows that your membership has recently expired. We hope you will consider rejoining (you can do so via <https://railfuture.org.uk/renewal/>). You could do so now, or come along to the meeting anyway and decide afterwards. Please accept our apologies if you have renewed very recently and this isn't shown in our data.

The main objective of the meeting is to hear from you, the members, as to what you want (ideas and involvement) and where our priorities for campaigning for improvements to London's Rail services should be. During the meeting we want to:

1. Hear your ideas, and the experiences and contacts you have to help with campaigning for improvements to rail services.
2. Share where we (the Committee) think rail services could/should be better.
3. Determine how we can best involve more London members going forward, including meeting frequencies.
4. Members' thoughts on Rf London Metro campaigning priorities for the year ahead, including a mayoral manifesto.

We have been keen to expand the opportunities for Railfuture's members who live in or very near to London and use the rail services (Underground, Overground, DLR, Tram & National Rail Metro services) to have the chance to contribute to our campaigning ideas and activity – hence this meeting.

That could simply be to discover more about what is happening, contribute ideas and to comment on campaigning plans or it could be a more active involvement. But irrespective of the amount of your involvement, small or large, your greater involvement will be much appreciated.

It is natural that TfL's rail services will be of interest to the Division; the LSE Committee would like to know whether Metro members are also interested in National Rail inner London services – we suspect you are, but it is always good to know. Setting this element will also influence the work other Divisions and Branches do – either by leaving it to Metro Division or working with Metro Division when there is common interest.

The other question is the balance of interest / campaigning between new lines and better services on existing lines (which encompasses topics such as frequency, reliability, fares and access).

We do have a topic list, but this is probably neither complete, nor is it essential that these topics remain on it. That includes:

- The West London Orbital Railway (Hounslow to West Hampstead / Hendon).
- DLR extension to Thamesmead, Bakerloo line extension in SE London and Crossrail 2.
- Reduced service frequencies (and linked overcrowding) on some National Rail Metro services, including, but not limited to, Southern, Southeastern, SWR and GWR/Elizabeth line.
- Performance (or rather the lack of it).
- Fares, including digital exclusion risks.

- Station facilities (safety, usability, access and more, including lifts and toilets).

If you can't make the 17<sup>th</sup>, but are interested in becoming more involved, do reply to this email to let us know.

And if you can make it, a RSVP is appreciated, but not essential.

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