

5. London Bridge and Tower Bridge proposals

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343

388

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What we would like you to know

- Access to a number of key destinations would be changed by the proposals for routes 43, 47, 78, 343 and 388. These include Moorgate Station, Bank of England, Monument Station, Bank Station, London Bridge Station, Shoreditch High Street Station, Liverpool Street Station, Monument Station, St Francis RC Primary School, Aldgate Station and Liverpool Street Station
- Although we propose to change bus routes to keep key journey links, some people may need to change buses to continue making their journey in future
- Routes 43 and 388 would form part of a core network on which a high frequency (a minimum 12-minute scheduled wait time between buses) would be provided on all days of the week from early in the morning to late at night
- Some customers may also have to wait longer at stops as the proposals result in a lower frequency of service
- Providing high frequency routes would help limit the length of time that customers might have to wait at bus stops – helping to mitigate the impact of the need to change between bus routes in the future
- All our buses are low floor and 95 per cent of bus stops are accessible. This will also help to minimise difficulty for customers alighting and changing between buses in future
- The Hopper fare provides the ability to make a second journey within 60 minutes of boarding the first bus. Most journeys that may require interchange would be able to take advantage of the Hopper fare

	Current route	Proposed route	Why we propose change
43	Between Halliwick Park and London Bridge Station via Woodside, Highgate, Waterloo, Islington, Moorgate, and Bank	We propose to reroute the 43 at Moorgate so it no longer serves stops to London Bridge Instead, we would extend the route from Moorgate to Liverpool Street Station	Bringing route 43 back to Moorgate from London Bridge and extending it to Liverpool Street Station would enable us to better match bus capacity with customer demand between London Bridge and Moorgate

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Customers who use route 43 should note the following

How these proposals may change your current journey

- Customers wishing to travel between London Bridge and Moorgate would need to change between routes 21 or 141 and the 43 to complete their journey in future

Interchange options under this proposal:

- For southbound journeys, same-stop interchange would be available at three stops on City Road and Finsbury Pavement at stops M, E and K. To assist customers waiting to board, all three stops have a shelter with seating. Two of the three stops currently have a Countdown sign displaying real-time bus arrival information
- For northbound journeys, same-stop interchange would be available at stop B “Moorgate Station” which has a shelter with seating and a Countdown sign fitted to provide real-time bus arrival information

The section of route 43 proposed for change is shown below.

Please note proposed stops are indicative for consultation purposes:

43	Current stops	Proposed stops (indicative)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Old Street Station● City Road Leonard Street● Epworth Street● Finsbury Square Moorgate● Moorgate Station● Great Swan Alley● Bank Station Princes Street● King William Street Monument Stn● Monument Station● London Bridge Station	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Old Street Station● City Road Leonard Street● Epworth Street● Finsbury Square Moorgate● Moorgate Station● Liverpool St

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	Current route	Proposed route	Why we propose change
47	<p>Between Newquay Road and Shoreditch</p> <p>Via Lewisham, Deptford Surrey Quays, Bermondsey, London Bridge and Liverpool Street</p>	<p>Between Newquay Road and London Bridge Station</p> <p>Route 47 would no longer serve stops between London Bridge Station and Shoreditch</p>	<p>Buses running between London Bridge and Shoreditch have excess space on board</p> <p>These proposals would help reduce excess while ensuring customers would still get to the destinations they need to</p> <p>A proposed extension of route 388 would help provide same stop interchange on Tooley Street for trips to Shoreditch</p>

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Customers who use route 47 should note the following

How these proposals may change your current journey

- Customers traveling between London Bridge and Shoreditch would need to change between routes 388 and 47 to complete their journey

Interchange options under this proposal:

- For northbound journeys, same-stop interchange would be available at two stops on Tooley Street between route 47 and 388. To assist customers waiting to board, Stop S has a shelter with seating, however there are not currently Countdown signs fitted to display real-time bus arrival information
- For southbound journeys, same-stop interchange would be available at three stops on Tooley Street and Duke Street Hill from route 388 to route 47
- Of these only stops R and H on Tooley Street have a shelter and only stop R has a countdown sign fitted to provide real-time bus arrival information

The section of route 47 proposed for change is shown below.
Please note proposed stops are indicative for consultation purposes:

47	Current stops	Proposed stops (indicative)
	<div><div></div> Unicorn Theatre</div> <div><div></div> London Bridge Station</div> <div><div></div> London Bridge</div> <div><div></div> Monument Station</div> <div><div></div> Gracechurch Street Monument Station</div> <div><div></div> Camomile Street</div> <div><div></div> Liverpool Street Station</div> <div><div></div> Primrose Street</div> <div><div></div> Shoreditch High Street Station</div> <div><div></div> Curtain Road</div> <div><div></div> Shoreditch Town Hall</div> <div><div></div> Shoreditch</div>	<div><div></div> Unicorn Theatre</div> <div><div></div> London Bridge Station</div> <div><div></div> London Bridge</div>

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	Current route	Proposed route	Why we propose change
78	<p>Between Shoreditch High Street Station and St Mary's Road</p> <p>Via Nunhead, Peckham, Tower Bridge and Liverpool Street</p>	<p>Route 78 would no longer run</p> <p>To maintain key connections, we propose to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extend route 388 from London Bridge to Peckham Bus station 	<p>Withdrawing route 78 and extending route 388 from London Bridge to Peckham Bus station would help to better match bus capacity with customer demand between Shoreditch and Tower Bridge Road, in the 42 and 78 bus route areas</p> <p>It would also rationalise and simplify the network by reducing the number of parallel routes, while retaining key journey links between Peckham and Shoreditch.</p>

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Customers who use route 78 should note the following

How these proposals may change your current journey

- Extending route 388 keep the journey links currently provided by route 78 between Peckham and Tower Bridge Road. It also ensures same stop interchange is possible with routes P12 and 42 for onward travel.

Interchange options under this proposal:

- For northbound journeys, same-stop interchange would be available at three groups of stops. The first group of 10 stops is between Peckham Rye and Old Kent Road. To assist customers waiting to board, seven of these 10 stops have a shelter with seating and three have a Countdown sign fitted to provide real-time bus arrival information
- The second group of stops (three stops) is on Tower Bridge Road. All three stops have a shelter with seating. However, these stops do not currently have a Countdown sign fitted to provide real-time bus arrival information
- The third group of stops (three stops) is on Bishopsgate. These stops all have a shelter with seating. However, none of these stops currently have a Countdown sign fitted to provide real-time bus arrival information
- For southbound journeys, same-stop interchange would be available at three groups of stops. The first group of five stops is between Peckham Rye and Old Kent Road, where all of the stops have a shelter with seating and three of these have a Countdown sign fitted to provide real-time bus arrival information

- The second group of stops (three stops) is on Tower Bridge Road. To assist customers waiting to board, all these stops have a shelter with seating. However, none of these stops currently have a Countdown sign fitted to provide real-time bus arrival information
- The third group of stops (three stops) is on Bishopsgate. To assist customers waiting to board, all these stops have a shelter with seating, and two of these stops have a Countdown sign fitted to provide real-time bus arrival information

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	Current route	Proposed route	Why we propose change
343	Between Aldgate Station and New Cross/Jerningham Road via London Bridge, Elephant & Castle, and Peckham	Between Tower Gateway and New Cross Route 343 would no longer serve bus stops between Tower Gateway and Aldgate	Plans to cut route 343 back to Tower Gateway from Aldgate better match capacity to demand

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Customers who use route 343 should note the following



How these proposals may change your current journey

- Plans to shorten route 343 back to Tower Gateway from Aldgate would mean customers using the 343 to access Aldgate would need to change bus to complete their journey

Interchange options under this proposal:

- Interchange from route 343 to routes 15, 42 or 100 would take place at Tower Hill/Tower Gateway Stop TD towards Aldgate and Stop TE southbound towards London Bridge

Compare current and proposed stops on the section of route 343 proposed for change below. Please note proposed stops are indicative for consultation purposes:

343	Current stops	Proposed stops (indicative)
	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aldgate Station Minories Tower Hill Tower Gateway Station Tower Bridge Unicorn Theatre London Bridge Station 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tower Hill Tower Gateway Station Tower Bridge Unicorn Theatre London Bridge Station

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Current route		Proposed route	Why we propose change
388	Between Stratford City Bus Station and London Bridge Bus Station	Stratford City Bus Station to Peckham Bus station	Plans to extend route 388 to Peckham would help to mitigate the proposed withdrawal of route 78
	via Bethnal Green, Brick Lane, Shoreditch, Liverpool Street and Fenchurch Street	We propose to extend route 388 from London Bridge to Peckham Bus station	As such, the number of times customers would need to change between buses in the future would be limited Extending route 388 from London Bridge to Tower Bridge Road, City Hall would retain a same stop interchange between Tooley Street and Shoreditch for journey links lost on route 47 if it were to no longer run to Shoreditch

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Customers who use route 388 should note the following

How these proposals may change your current journey

- Proposals to extend route 388 to Peckham would help to mitigate the proposed withdrawal of route 78. This would also help limit the number of times customers may need to change bus to complete their journey
- Extending route 388 to Peckham would provide new direct links between Bethnal Green, Hackney, Liverpool Street and Tooley Street, Old Kent Road and Peckham. Customers travelling between these locations may experience quicker journey times and would no longer need to change between bus routes in future

Interchange options under this proposal:

- Same-stop interchange would be available for future journeys. Bus stops with a shelter, seating would be provided at most future interchange locations, helping to provide an accessible and comfortable waiting environment
- Countdown signs providing real-time bus arrival information, would be available for many future interchange locations for passengers who currently use routes 78 and 388

Compare current and proposed stops on the section of route 388 we propose to extend, as below. Please note proposed stops are indicative for consultation purposes:

388	Current stops	Proposed stops (indicative)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fenchurch Street Monument Station London Bridge Bus Station 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fenchurch Street Monument Station London Bridge Tower Bridge Road Druid Street Abbey Street Griggs Place Fendall Street Spa Road Alscot Road Longfield Estate Lynton Road Humphrey Street Trafalgar Avenue Malt Street Peckham Park Road Old Kent Road Bird In Bush Road Commercial Way Bonar Road Peckham Library Peckham bus station

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