Keep your promise, Johnson out of point service Staff

stations (RMT)

Keep our Tube safe

A promise is a promise...



In Getting London Moving Johnson pledged to "put the commuter first...by halting the proposed Tube ticket office closures, and ensuring there is always a manned ticket office at every station".

And during his election campaign (above) he signed a petition opposing ticket-office closures and calling for those already closed to be re-opened.

Help us stop the Mayor's plan to **cut 800 Tube** station staff

London Underground wants to cut 800 station staff jobs across the Tube network

For Tube users it means fewer visible staff on stations, less security and a less safe transport network, longer queues and more difficulty finding help in an emergency.

LU already leaves at least 50 stations unstaffed for periods and more 'babysat' with just one member of staff - if these cuts go ahead that number would rise dramatically, and LU is already speeding up the process, without a word of consultation.

Even busy stations would have fewer staff - fewer people to evacuate stations in an emergency or to marshal crowds at big events.

Heathrow Terminal Five – a prime terrorist target – has already been left unstaffed, on March 12, when the one supervisor on duty was called away for a staff briefing.

LU staff were rightly praised for their role in evacuating and helping victims of the July 7 2005 bombings. If these cuts are not challenged there will be fewer staff on duty to help.

For Tube staff it would mean more lone working, increased workload, more stress and greater risk of assault.





In his election manifesto, London Mayor Boris Johnson said:

"I will also defend local ticket offices... I will stop the planned ticket office closures, and focus on increasing the number of Oyster outlets in outer London so local people have greater access to Oyster."

And during the election campaign he signed a petition opposing ticket-office closures and calling for those already closed to be re-opened.

If these cuts go ahead the Mayor will be reneging on pledges that helped get him elected - but rather than pull the plug on Tube Lines and the disastrous PPP, he now wants to plug a £1.7 billion funding gap by cutting staffing to dangerous levels and shelving station improvements.

YOU can help stop these dangerous cuts

- I Write to London Mayor Boris Johnson at mayor@london.gov.uk, or at City Hall, 110 The Queens Walk, London, SE1 2AA asking him to honour his election pledges
- I Write to your MP asking him or her to do the same
- I Ask your local councillors to tell the Mayor that these staff cuts are unacceptable
- I Check for campaign updates at www.rmt.org.uk