



# West London Line Group



98 Manor Way, Beckenham, Kent BR3 3LR

07843 234002

[www.westlondonlinegroup.org.uk](http://www.westlondonlinegroup.org.uk)

## WLLG Response to Withdrawal of Monday-Friday GTR/Southern West London Line Trains

### Progress Report 1 - 9 July 2016

#### To All West London Line Users

The West London Line Group has written to Patrick McLoughlin, MP, Secretary of State for Transport, seeking an immediate reversal of the decision to withdraw the whole GTR/Southern WLL service on Mondays-Fridays for an indefinite period and the full restoration of this service.

The Group's letter, copied to all MPs and local authorities between Croydon and Milton Keynes and the rail industry, also sought:-

1. Retention of the GTR/Southern peak shuttles between Clapham Junction and Shepherd's Bush
2. Participation by London Overground to fill the gaps in the GTR/Southern WLL schedule
3. Extra London Midland trains to and from Euston and for these and others to call at Wembley Central

In response, GTR/Southern have indicated that they will not be able to reverse the decision to withdraw their services on Monday, but they are keeping the situation under review and will make improvements where possible. We have asked that their WLL service be among the first of any such improvements.

London Overground have indicated their willingness to assist but, if they can, they will do so on a 'day-to-day' basis and will not be able to guarantee regular provision of additional trains.

The Group has also asked Network Rail to arrange for its signallers give as much notice as possible to passengers about the platforms to be used for WLL trains departing from Clapham Junction.

We do hope that you will not find travelling on the West London Line in the days ahead too stressful and that you will continue to use the Line as much as possible.

Chiefly due to the increasing lack of space on trains and platforms as a result of the continuing rise in WLL ridership, the Group is presently unable to distribute printed material to passengers and its main conduit for information will be through this website and e-mail

[www.westlondonlinegroup.org.uk](http://www.westlondonlinegroup.org.uk) and [comments@westlondonlinegroup.org.uk](mailto:comments@westlondonlinegroup.org.uk)

Please use, and encourage others to use, the Group's website and e-mail to review and comment on our activities, and indicate if we may retain e-mail and other contact details. These will only be used to provide you and other WLL users with information on this Group's activities in supporting existing and future passengers on the WLL.

Yours sincerely

Mark Balaam  
Chairman