



# Members Newsletter

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## SPECIAL EDITION

Welcome to this special edition of the newsletter highlighting the second phase of the trial which allows LTCOA and CPT members set down and pick up at certain locations on red routes.

Stephen Telling -  
Chairman



## Improvements for Tourist Coach Passengers on Red Routes in Central London – Phase 2 launched

Your Association is delighted to announce that phase two of the trial which allows coach passengers to be set down and picked up at specific locations on Transport for London's Road Network (TRLN), which we all know as Red Routes has been launched. This follows the successful trial at five locations in the spring of this year.

We have been working hard with TfL and the Confederation of Passenger Transport (CPT) to monitor the first phase of the trial and this has given confidence to TfL to allow this second tranche of locations to be added. These include specific locations along Albany Street, Albert Embankment, Brompton Road, Cromwell Road, Tower Bridge Road and Vauxhall Bridge Road, at times when traffic flows allow. As with the first phase (which remains in operation) you have to be a member of either the LTCOA or the CPT to take part.

The arrangements allow coaches to set down and pick up passengers within a 10-minute period at the specified points. Any use of these facilities outside the given window and / or for any other purpose will result in a PCN being issued.

**Stephen Telling, Chairman of the LTCOA said:** "I am very pleased to welcome the launch of the second phase of this trial of setting down and picking up our passengers on red routes. I urge members to continue to use these facilities responsibly and keep to the rules set by TfL to minimise the impact of coaches on the busy Red Route network".

The trial will continue to be monitored throughout the winter and spring of 2019.

## **The exact locations included in phase two of the Red Route trial are as follows**

- **Albany Street - Melia White House Hotel, NW1 3UP**  
Coaches can set down and pick up in Osnaburgh Terrace on single red lines opposite the Hotel, in addition to the existing coach bays slightly further away.
- **Albert Embankment - Park Plaza London Riverbank, SE1 7TJ**  
Coaches are encouraged to set down and pick up in the coach bays on the northbound side opposite the hotel, where possible. However, coaches may set down and pick up customers at the bus stop on the southbound side in exceptional circumstances, recognising the volume of bus services using the stop.
- **Brompton Road - Harrods, SW1X 7XL**  
This section of Brompton Road is a very congested site. However, coaches can set down and pick up at the bus stops closest to the store if no other option is available.
- **Cromwell Road - Holiday Inn London Kensington Forum, SW7 4DN**  
There are road capacity problems at this location, as the A4 westbound reduces from two lanes to one. However, coaches are permitted to set down and pick up after 19:00 either at the bus stop or on the adjacent double red lines, so long as no obstruction is caused.
- **Tower Bridge Road, Grange Primary School, SE1 4TP**  
Coaches can set down and pick up near Grange Primary school, provided that they do not cause an obstruction to two-way traffic flow.
- **Vauxhall Bridge Road - Apollo Theatre, 17 Wilton Road, Pimlico, London SW1V 1LG**  
In addition to the mixed-use bay close to the Theatre, and the limited permitted use of TfL bus stops and stands, coaches may also set down and pick up within the current loading bay outside the theatre before and after performances if available. The bay may only suit smaller coaches or those with middle exit doors as there are kerbside guardrails in the front half of the bay.

The locations in phase one of the trial, which remain in operation are:

- **Addington Street - Park Plaza County Hall, SE1 7RY**  
Coaches may use local TfL bus stops for setting down and picking up.
- **Cromwell Road - National History Museum and Science Museum, SW7 5BD**  
Coaches should always set down and pick up in the existing coach bays when these are free. However, in periods of high demand when all existing bays are full, coaches may set down and pick up on the double red lines between the existing coach bays.
- **Lower Thames Street - Old Billingsgate EC3R 6DX**  
Coaches may pick up on double red lines outside the venue after 22:00 at this very busy location.
- **Prescott Street, Grange Tower Bridge Hotel, E1 8GP**  
Coaches may set down and pick up on the double red lines to the west of the crossing zig zags, off peak (10:00 to 16:00) and overnight (19:00 to 07:00).
- **Southwark Street - Borough Market, SE1 1TL**  
Coaches may set down and pick up on Southwark Street close to Borough Market, so long as they do not cause an obstruction. In addition, there are four parking bays around the Hop Exchange which are not always utilised; coaches may use these if available and the double red lines prior to Stoney Street, if they keep clear of the island and do not block traffic flow.

## **LTCOA MEMBERS EVENT SCHEDULE 2018-19**

### **Monday 19 November at 19:30**

Hilton Garden Inn, Eastern Perimeter Road, Hatton Cross, London, TW6 2SQ

### **Tuesday 4 December at 18:45 for 19:15**

**LTCOA Christmas Dinner** – The Pheasant, 98 West End Lane, Harlington, UB3 5LX. Food can be selected on the evening - £38.50 a head, which includes service. Drinks to be purchased individually

### **Monday 14 January 2019 at 19:30**

Hilton Garden Inn, Eastern Perimeter Road, Hatton Cross, London, TW6 2SQ

### **Saturday 2 February 2019 18:15 for 19:15**

**The LTCOA 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Dinner Dance – The Palace Suite, The Royal Garden Hotel, 2-24 Kensington High Street, W8 4PT**

### **Monday 11 March 2019 at 19:30**

**AGM** - Hilton Garden Inn, Eastern Perimeter Road, Hatton Cross, London, TW6 2SQ

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