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## **Keith Prince tells Mayor ‘get a move on’ building sound proof barriers for Redbridge residents**

- Residents suffering noise pollution on Central Line in Woodford area
- Assembly Member for Havering and Redbridge urges Mayor to deliver on sound proofing
- World Health Organisation guidelines state 42 decibels of the threshold for waking by transport - local residents suffer more than 51
- Issue causing sleep deprivation and affecting quality of life

Havering and Redbridge’s London Assembly member has told the Mayor to ‘get a move on’ building sound-proof barriers promised to residents suffering excessive noise from the Central Line.

World Health Organisation guidelines state 42 decibels is the threshold for those living near public transport. Many residents in East London endure noise levels at over 51 decibels.

During Mayor’s Question Time at City Hall on Thursday, London Assembly member Keith Prince urged Sadiq Khan and TfL to deliver efficient sound-proofing measures.

Speaking during the meeting, Mr Prince said: “For my residents, it’s an issue more of noise than it is of vibration and they are suffering some 50 plus decibels, which is horrendous at night. Would you ask TfL to get a move on in relation to the sound barrier.”

Commenting earlier in the discussion on noise pollution in London the Mayor stated: “It is not always possible to reduce the noise level residents would like. I’ll continue to work with researchers, suppliers and academics to innovate and develop way to improve noise levels across the network.”

Assembly Member Prince previously organised a meeting for victims of excessive noise pollution with the Mayor to help lobby on the issue.

**Commenting after the meeting, London Assembly Member for Havering and Redbridge, Keith Prince, said:** “It is unacceptable that residents of Havering and Redbridge continue to put up with such disruption to their lives. This is a serious matter and is having a stressful and damaging impact on their health. I will continue to press the Mayor to resolve the issue so these residents can finally get a good night’s sleep.”

ENDS.

**Notes**

- The full exchange at Mayor's Question Time can be viewed from 1:36:20 via the following link: <https://www.london.gov.uk/london-assembly-mayors-question-time-2018-03-22>

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