SPECIAL MOTION NO. 5 – GOVERNMENT-FORCED CUTS TO LONDON'S BUSES

Standing in the names of:

- (i) Councillor Ben Coleman
- (ii) Councillor Lisa Homan

This Council deeply regrets that Conservative ministers have told Transport for London to cut services after it lost money during Covid. Essential bus routes across Hammersmith & Fulham are now threatened with closure or severe reductions in service.

- The C3, 11, 14, 72 and 74 will be scrapped.
- Night buses N27 and N74 will be scrapped, and the N72 will no longer serve Hammersmith.
- The 23, 27, 211, 272, 283, 328 and 430 will operate a reduced timetable or be rerouted.

Other governments from New York to Paris are funding public transport after the pandemic to maintain services and keep fares low. This is even more important in the cost-of-living crisis. Boris Johnson's Conservatives, however, are requiring TfL to reduce services in return for a partial bailout.

This Council urges TfL to maintain the essential routes on which Hammersmith and Fulham residents depend.

This Council regrets that Fulham's Greg Hands, a Conservative minister, is seeking to divert people's attention from the real reason for the proposed bus cuts by attacking Transport for London. It calls on Mr Hands not to let his constituents pay for the pandemic but instead to campaign for his government to provide the investment that London's transport needs.