

Background

The Association was formed in May 2003 to Campaign against the proposed Western Extension of the Central London Congestion Charging Zone.

Campaign Highlights

Registered supporters now number over 14,000

11 well attended Public Meetings held, mainly in Town Halls, in West and SW London.

Appeared by invitation before GLA Transport Committee in Nov 03. (Their subsequent Report into the proposed Extension said that they were not convinced that there was sufficient congestion in the proposed zone to warrant it proceeding)

Appeared before the House of Commons Transport Select Committee to give evidence on London Congestion Charging on May 12th 04

Three well supported Protest Marches held on Apr 3rd, Jun 5th and Oct 23rd 2004 along the Earl's Court (Kensington) One Way system.

Three successful Car/Van Protest Convoys run through Central, North and West London on Nov 20th 04 and 29th Jan and 27th Apr 05

29,500 signature Petition presented to the Mayor at City Hall on Weds Apr 28th 04

Numerous Bulletins produced analysing the effects on London of the existing charging zone and proposed extension.

With the Federation of Small Businesses commissioned The Centre for Economic and Business Research to appraise the economic effects of the proposed Western Extension. Report published in July 2005 indicating some £236Mpa of lost business and a possible 6000 job losses within the Extension.

We have consulted with The London Chamber of Commerce, Federation of Small Businesses, Forum for Private Business, CBI, London First, Oxford St Trade Association, Kings Rd Trade Association, Peter Jones, John Lewis, Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, Westminster, Hammersmith and Fulham Councils, Association of British Drivers and numerous local residents and amenity associations.

We have corresponded with TfL and the Mayor.

Relevant information has been obtained from professional institutions, the media and the internet.