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 Stratford, Highbury & Islington, West Hamstead, Willesden Junction, Kennington (Olympic), Clapham Junction, Kew Gardens & Richmond

PENALTY FARES APPLY ON ALL OF THE ABOVE SERVICES — MAKE SURE YOU HAVE A TICKET!

MEMBERSHIP FORM CONTINUED

Do you wish to receive communications by email? YES/NO *
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My email address is:

My usual journey is between

I enclose my annual subscription of £5.00 plus an optional donation of £..... Signed

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Passenger Newsletter

Winter 2013/14

**3-YEAR WAIT FOR NEW TRAINS!
 AND SO THE CRUSH WILL GO ON!**

Approved by the Chancellor last June, Network Rail & Transport for London do not intend providing electrification and new trains until 2017

There was much celebration on 26th June when Chancellor George Osborne announced the go-ahead for the long waited electrification of the Barking—Gospel Oak railway line.

This meant that the existing 2-carriage diesel trains could be replaced by electric trains with more coaches to carry passengers in greater comfort and make the sardine tin like conditions in busy times on the inadequate diesel trains a thing of the past.

Over the following few months it emerged that Network Rail and Transport for London (TfL) were not planning to put up the overhead wires to allow electric trains to run until 2017! This in spite of operator London Overground saying that trains are already so over crowded in the peak periods, there is insufficient room on the diesel trains for all those who want to travel.

NEW TIMETABLE HAS EXTRA TRAIN TO HELP EASE MORNING CRUSH

An earlier extra relief train between Barking and South Tottenham has been running since 9th December.

The Monday to Friday trip is made by the same train that works the later Woodgrange Park to Willesden Junction relief service.

BGORUG Secretary Glenn Wallis said, "We are delighted London Overground has been

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3-YEAR WAIT FOR NEW TRAINS!

Said BGORUG Vice-Chair Richard Pout, "There are three different electrification projects progressing in Scotland, yet here in London, Network Rail and TfL need 3 years to electrify around 10 miles!

"Passengers are being left behind on the platforms in the rush hours, unable to board packed trains, yet TfL, with amazing complacency, does not plan any action to ease the crush for another 3 years!"

TfL's 2013 Business Plan envisages an unspecified number of new 4-coach electric trains being delivered in 2017 as the electrification of the line is completed. This will follow the awarding of a new contract to operate the London Overground network in 2016, when the current contract, held by joint Hong Hong/German company London Overground Rail Operations Limited, expires.

Barking	⇌ ⊖	06:52	--
Woodgrange Park		06:57	07:59
Wanstead Park		07:00	08:02
Leytonstone High Road		07:04	08:05
Leyton Midland Road		07:07	08:08
Walthamstow Queen's Road		07:11	08:11
Blackhorse Road	⊖	07:14	08:14
South Tottenham		07:20	08:18
Harringay Green Lanes		--	08:21
Crouch Hill		--	08:24
Upper Holloway		--	08:27
Hampstead Heath	⊖	--	08:34
Finchley Road & Frognal		--	08:36
West Hampstead		--	08:38
Brondesbury		--	08:40
Brondesbury Park		--	08:41
Kensal Rise		--	08:43
Willesden Junction Low Level	⊖ ⊖	--	09:00

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EXTRA RELIEF TRAIN

able to squeeze this extra trip out of their eight strong diesel train fleet. The fleet is now fully utilised and there can be no further increase in passenger capacity until 4-coach electric trains arrive in 2017."

BGORUG had asked the operator to remove 12 seats from each train to allow more standing passengers, but was told that this was not possible.

The times of the Monday to Friday relief trains are shown in the adjacent table.

DRIVER ONLY TRAINS

London Overground expects to remove guards from our trains in six months time. BGORUG opposes driver only trains.



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

REVISED SERVICES & ENGINEERING WORK

- **22 December** Buses replace trains between Barking and South Tottenham until 12:15
- **24 December** Last trains: From Barking: 21:33 & From Gospel Oak: 21:35
- **25 & 26 December** NO SERVICE
- **27 December** Saturday timetable. Buses replace trains between Barking and South Tottenham
- **28 December** Saturday timetable. Buses replace trains between Barking and South Tottenham
- **29 December** Sunday timetable. Buses replace trains between Barking and South Tottenham
- **30 December** Saturday timetable
- **31 December** Saturday timetable.
- **1 January** First trains: From Barking: 08:48 & from Gospel Oak: 08:50, then Saturday timetable will apply.



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

I wish to become a member of the Barking—Gospel Oak Rail User Group and agree to abide by the rules and constitution of the group

Name: MR/MRS/MS* Address:

Postcode:

Telephone Home/Work* Mobile:

* Delete as appropriate

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