

To: community groups, trade unions, students, teachers, air pollution and climate campaigners, and all Londoners – please join us at our

MEETING on Saturday 22 January, 2022

HOW TO STOP THE SILVERTOWN TUNNEL

Sat 22 Jan, 11.0 am-2.30pm, on line (zoom) and at the Waterloo Action Centre

14 Baylis Road, London, SE1 7AA (2 mins walk from Waterloo rail and underground stations)

We will discuss how to oppose the Silvertown Tunnel project with

- Community action
- Workplace and union action
- Direct action

**[PLEASE REGISTER NOW \(IN PERSON OR ON LINE PARTICIPATION\)](#)
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Bring your suggestions for action, or just bring yourselves

The background

The Mayor of London is planning to build the Silvertown Tunnel, a four-lane road tunnel, a few metres east of the Blackwall Tunnel. The project would push more road traffic through Newham and Greenwich.

■ **LOCAL:** the tunnel would exacerbate air pollution problems in Newham, already one of the country's worst-polluted boroughs, and Greenwich. Parents are already moving their children out of local schools for fear of the fumes.

■ **GLOBAL:** the tunnel, like all big road building projects, would boost greenhouse gas emissions and add to the climate emergency.

■ **THERE ARE ALTERNATIVES:** the tunnel would cost £2 billion+, that could be spent on public transport, bike lanes and other projects to make our city cleaner, better to live in and easier to travel in. We need projects for local people, not for haulage companies, City Airport and other businesses.

Our coalition

The Stop the Silvertown Tunnel coalition includes community groups, environmentalists, trade unions, political groups and residents of Newham and Greenwich. We have lobbied City Hall and written letters for three years. An earlier campaign group worked for SIX years before that!

Doctors, teachers, climate scientists, transport experts, MPs and councillors have all urged the Mayor to cancel the project.

Power is not listening!

The politicians at the COP 26 talks in Glasgow in November responded to the climate emergency with “build back better blah blah blah”. The Mayor and his colleagues are doing the same.

So we intend to step up our campaign – beyond Greenwich and Newham, across London.

Time is short. In April 2022, the tunnel-boring machine will be transported to London from Germany, where it is being built.

- We have launched a Fighting Fund. ■ [Donate at Just Giving](#)

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