

Thames Gateway Bridge Inquiry Evidence

As a primary school teacher at Halstow Primary School, Halstow Rd, SE10 0LD, I had to keep a space clear in the classroom cupboard for the children's inhalers from the early 90's onward.

I spoke to one of the parents of twins in my class who was a consultant paediatrician at Greenwich Hospital at the time. She told me that when she went into Greenwich Hospital in the morning and found up to six children who had been brought into the hospital overnight, she knew that when she went to the Brook Hospital, Shooter's Hill Rd she would find the same pattern. The children were unable to breathe.

Air Quality has deteriorated since 1994 when that conversation took place and the fact that schools have Asthma Policies indicates how serious the issue has become.

We need more river crossings such as Crossrail, DLR, and even an extension of the Jubilee Line but not an increase in road traffic.

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