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My main priorities are to reduce over-crowding in the tunnel, in the entrance way, and on the trains. To be achieved by a new entrance higher up the road, and longer trains.

Also I would like improved aesthetic in the tunnel.

I view retail space neutrally, and would be happy to see more shops if it meant paying for improvements.

I would prefer buildings below a height where they would be visible from further afield (eg the Common or Northcote). Therefore below about 15 stories.

I also wonder why the station has been allowed to get into this state, and why obviously needed improvements haven't been made earlier. I think there are two areas to level criticism.

Firstly the council directly encouraged Delancey to develop a scheme involving large towers, at odds with public opinion which they failed to consult adequately. This is evident from the original Council development plan. Also the council was extremely slow dealing with Network Rails planned lift installations (source: <http://cjag.org/2010/01/22/network-rail-said-cj-has-received-already-a-lot-of-money-dont-expect-more-in-the-next-10-years/>)

Secondly the station is owned by Network Rail and managed by South West Trains. Yet SWT shares the station with two other operators. Interested parties include Metrofund, Delancy, Wandsworth Council, TFL and the DFT. Perhaps there are too many groups with different agendas and they have a collective inability work together.

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