Appendix 3 – Assessment against SCIL evaluation criteria

The aim of the project is to increase the provision of services operating to and from
Barking Riverside by Spring 2024 (currently peak only services are offered in the week, all-day is only offered at weekends).
<ul> <li>An increase to provide all-day services would have significant benefits to the borough. BRL have demonstrated that the increase in services would support the growing community in Barking Riverside, through providing improved transport connectivity and more reliable services. Benefits of the proposal include: <ul> <li>Residents/businesses of the borough will benefit from a better connected, healthier and more sustainable access and opportunity.</li> <li>An improved experience for visitors and opportunity for day-trippers to reach Barking.</li> <li>Incentives to home buyers, including plot developers offering season tickets on UBTC services.</li> <li>Local businesses e.g. street food traders around the pier will benefit from increased footfall.</li> </ul> </li></ul>
<ul> <li>Support local schools by providing better service for trips to Woolwich and Greenwich in particular (like the clipper service).</li> <li>Improved accessibility to jobs and opportunities outside of the borough.</li> </ul>
BRL have demonstrated through the proposal that the project will benefit the community and contribute to the regeneration in the borough through providing better connections and more sustainable access and opportunity for its residents and businesses. This includes through:  • Better promotion of the borough to potential visitors.  • Helping the visibility and promotion of the Barking Riverside development and access to the borough for potential new residents.  • Benefitting from more day-trippers and increased trade.  • Creating more opportunities to bring professional groups and investors to Barking Riverside.  The proposal also further sets out how it will contribute to the achievement of the

3) The project proposal must demonstrate cost effectiveness and value for money. a. The project should demonstrate anticipated total costs, and provide an assessment of benefits, including the social value that can be generated. b. As part of demonstrating value for money, the project should show how ongoing costs and maintenance will be funded.	7/10	The proposal sets out the full anticipated cost of providing increased services to Barking Riverside.  The project proposal demonstrates value for money, through providing significant potential benefit through the increase in access to transport, and related economic and social benefit to the borough.  Additionally, BRL are negotiating with UBTC and third parties to part fund the project, leveraging all available funding sources.
4) Deliverability of the project must be demonstrated, including certainty around other funding sources, and timing for delivery is clear.  a. The application for funding must show evidence of ability to commence work within 1 year of allocation and be completed within 5 years. If funding is awarded and work does not commence on the project within 1 year, Council may seek to reallocate SCIL funds if evidence if not provided to demonstrate reasons for the delay.  b. The project should have clearly defined outcomes and deliverables that can be used to measure success of the project.	6/10	Through the proposal, BRL have set out clear timeframes for the spending of funding and for the delivery of increased services. BRL are working to short timeframes set by UBTC, and there is a perception that if the opportunity is missed in early 2024, it will be more difficult to secure increased services to Barking Riverside in the future. Noting this, the award of funding would be conditional on BRL securing additional funding and submitting a full project plan.
5) The project proposal must demonstrate that other funding sources are not able to fund the proposed infrastructure entirely. The proposal	6/10	UBTC have advised that from their perspective, it is too early to extend the service without some additional financial support.

should also show evidence that other funding sources have been leveraged where possible, such as match or gap funding.		BRL are in the process of engaging with other third-party funders to help contribute towards its payment for the remainder. Any award of SCIL funding will be conditional on them demonstrating how the services will be funded from different sources.
		BRL will continue to try negotiating the full contribution amount with UBTC, or a slightly different deal that reduces contributions if demand picks up more than expected.
Overall assessment	35/50	The assessment has found that the project has the potential to deliver significant social and economic benefits to the borough, through providing increased transport accessibility to Barking Riverside, and supporting the new community in this location. This has the flow on benefits of improving access for residents to jobs and opportunities outside of the borough and promoting Barking Riverside as a destination.
		Some risks were identified through the assessment, including how BRL will secure additional funding sources. Consequently, the allocation of funding will be conditional on BRL's demonstration of a full funding plan and project plan.