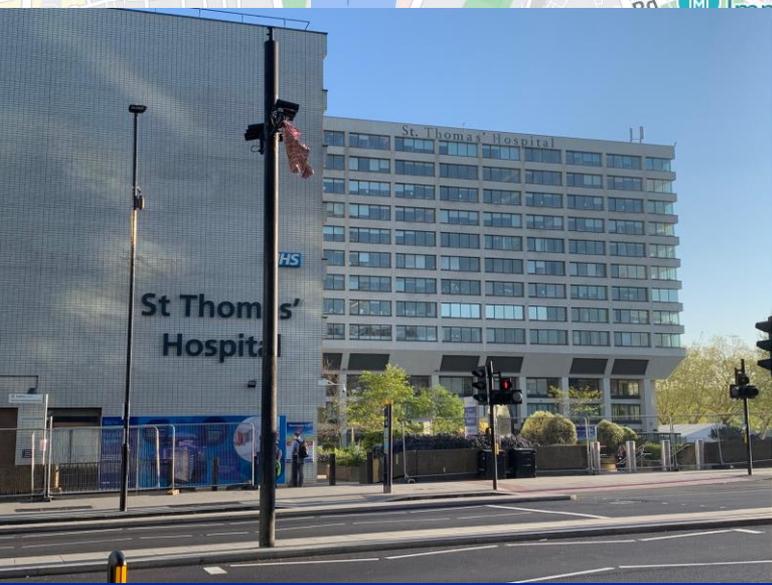
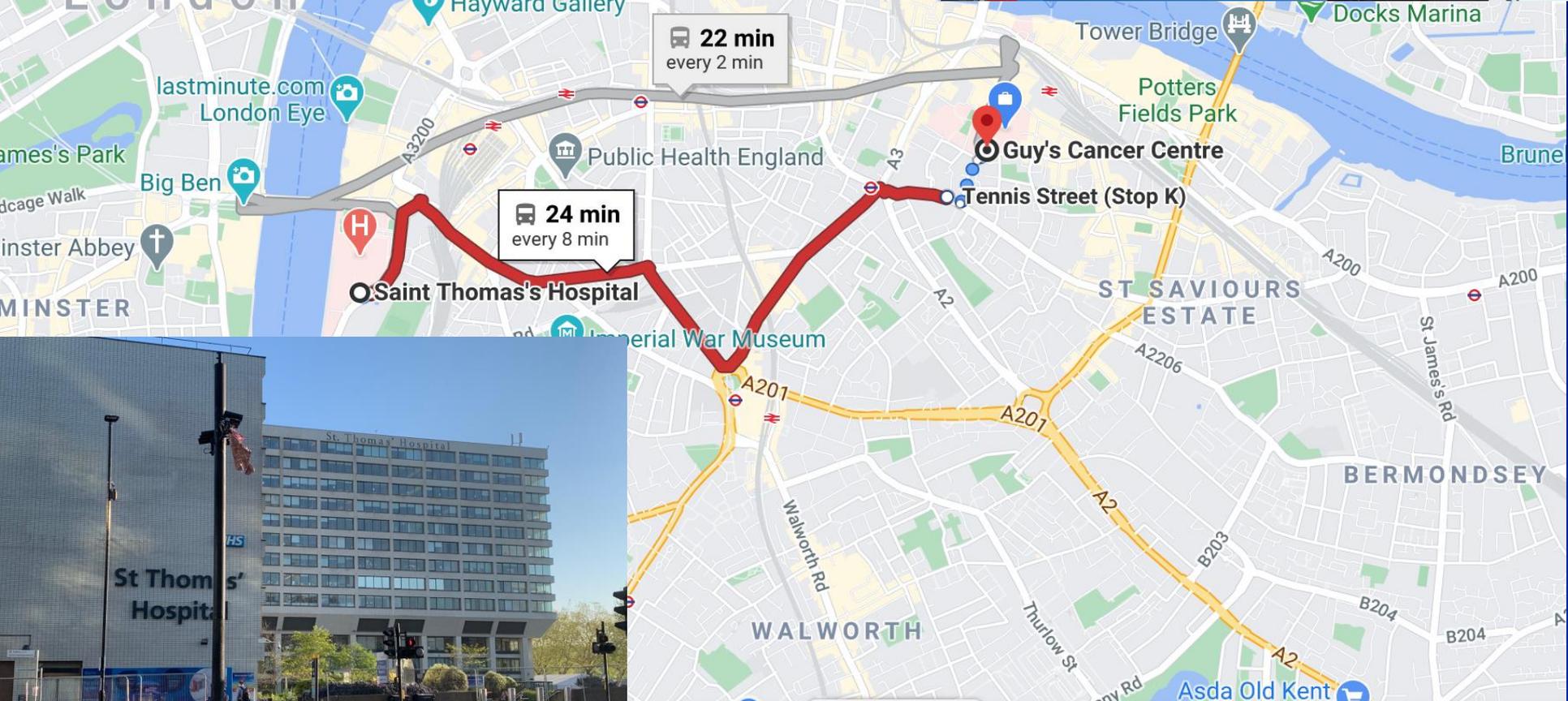
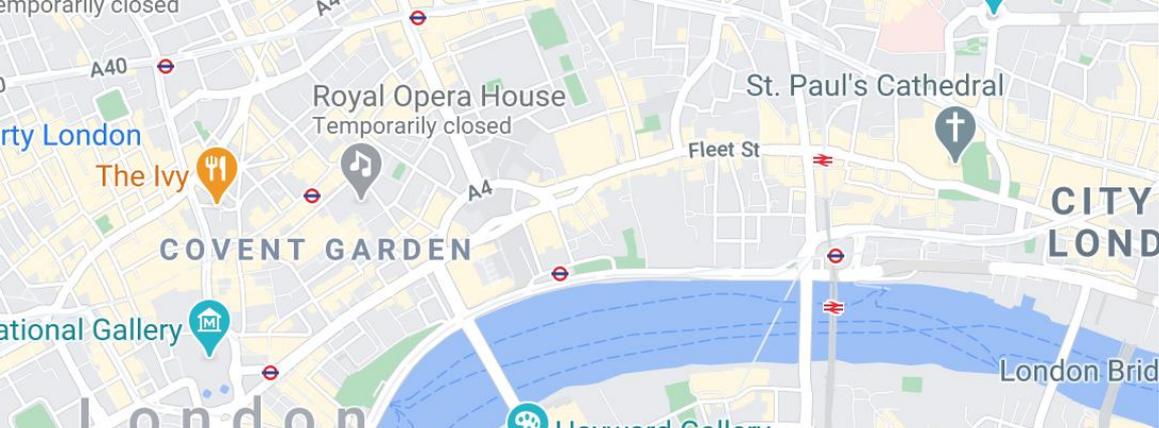


**How has COVID-19 changed (my)
breast cancer practice?**

Breast pathology

SE Pinder



March – April 2020

The recently established Pan London clinical discussion group on breast cancer recommends implementation of the five following sets of guidelines:

- Breast Cancer is managed in line with the '*Statement from the Association of Breast Surgery*' (attached).
- *Pan-London Suspected Breast Cancer / Breast Clinic Referral Form* (attached).
- '*Guidance for breast pathology staff in the COVID 19 pandemic*' from the National Co-ordinating Committee for Breast Pathology (NCCBP) and the Association of Breast Pathology (ABP) - attached.
- *UK BCG Radiotherapy in early breast cancer in current COVID-19 pandemic.*
- *Breast systemic therapies prioritisation during COVID-19 crisis.*

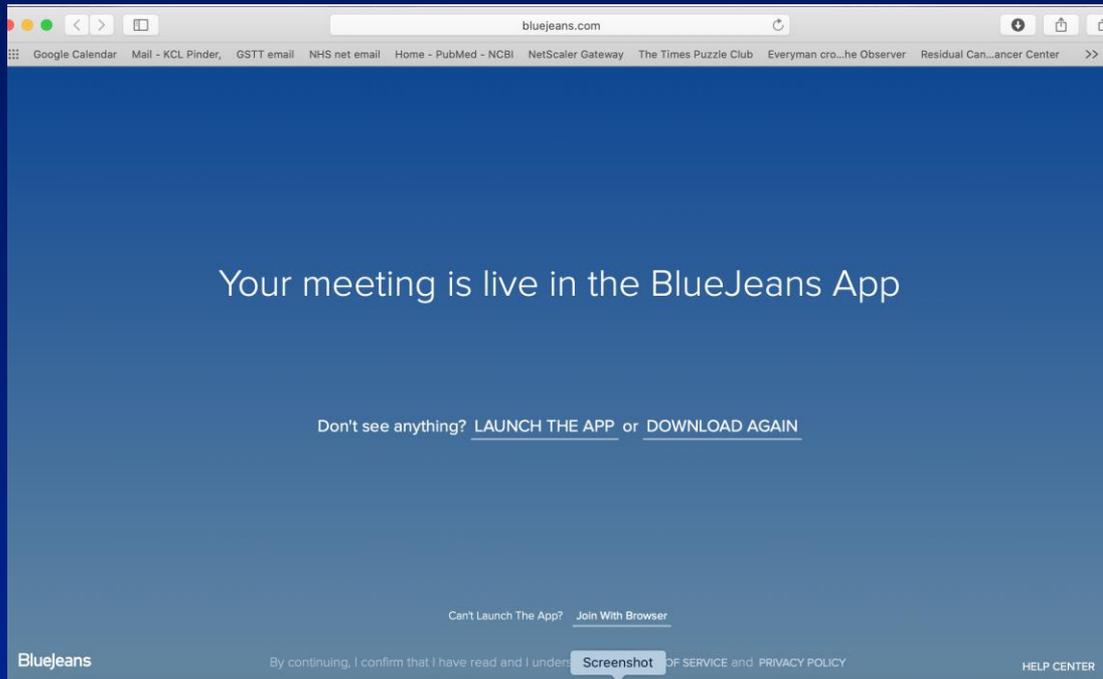
Trusts across London will work within the framework of the various professional guidelines but with local nuances.

Operating list sizes not very different March/April

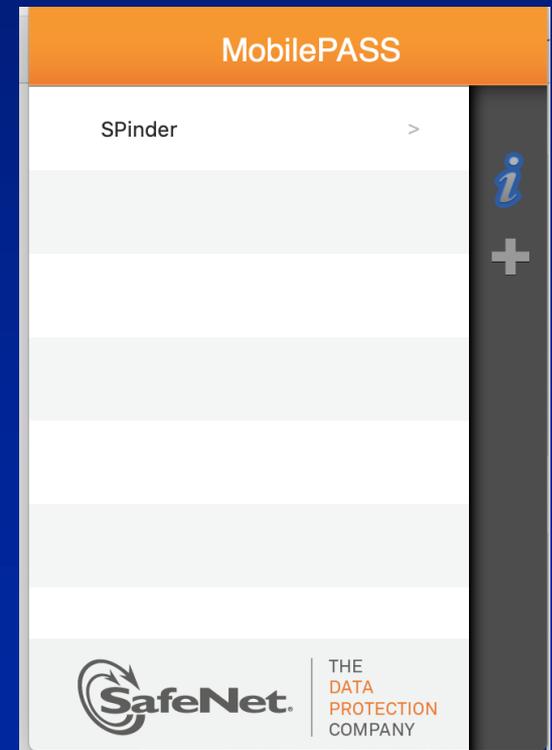




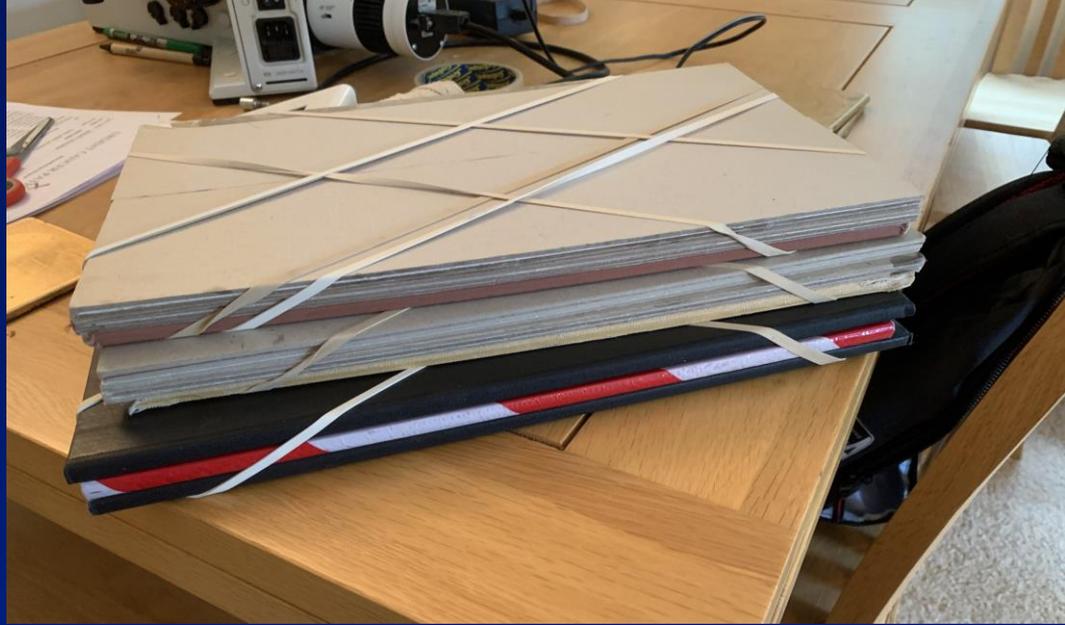
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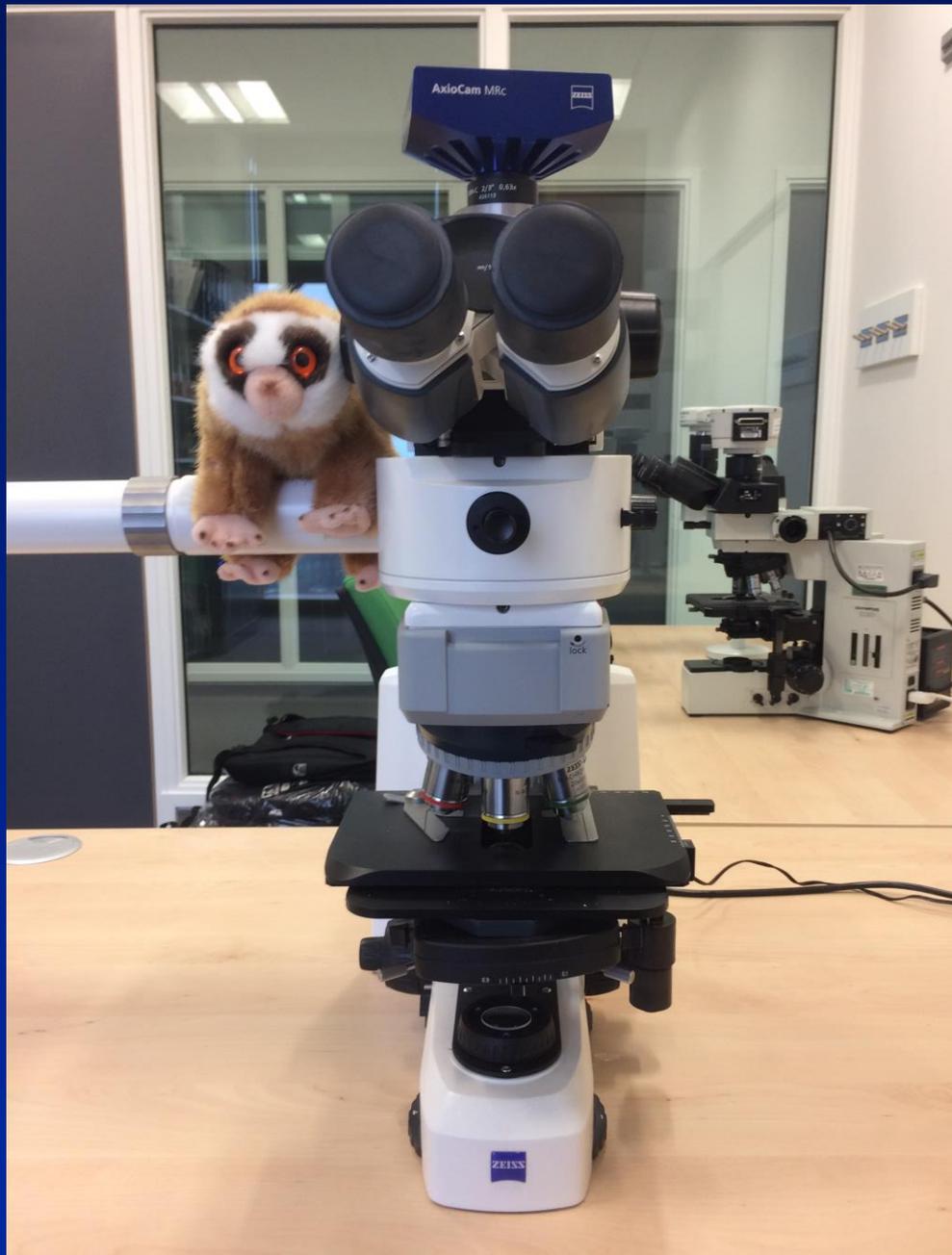




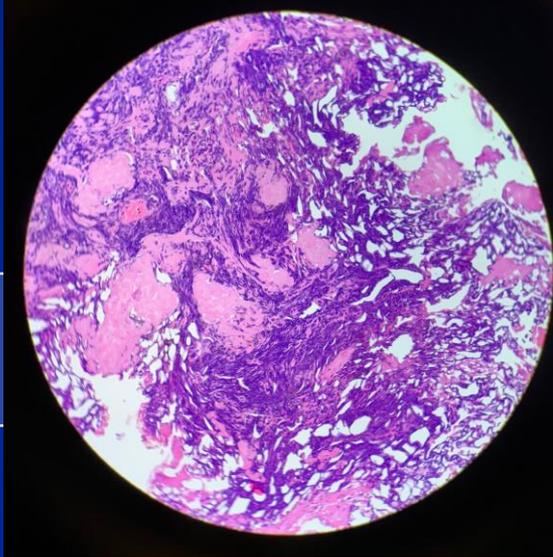
What social distancing? Commuters pack on to Tubes, trains and buses as coronavirus lockdown eases

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Breast Pathology

| The good | The bad | The ugly |
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| No commute | Commuting time filled | Evening reporting |
| WhatsApp group. Online conferencing. | No weekly breast slide review meeting. Work type distribution. | |
| New skills | Lack of digital pathology, IT | Wi-fi speed – transfer of large (images and ppt) files |
| | Affect on research, cancer trials, funding conferences. Research staff still on furlough. |  |
| | Affect on pathology training and trainees | |

