

MAYOR OF LONDON

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Our ref: DP/0051c
Your ref: DC/13/83358
Date: 30 October 2013

Dear Ms Talbot,

**Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended); Greater London Authority Acts 1999 and 2007; Town & Country Planning (Mayor of London) Order 2008 ("the Order")
Convoys Wharf, Deptford, SE10
Local Planning Authority Reference: DC/13/83358**

Direction under Section 2A of the 1990 Act

On 17th October 2013, I received a request to become the local planning authority, pursuant to article 7 of the Town and Country Planning (Mayor of London) Order 2008, in respect of the above site, Convoys Wharf.

Having now considered a report on this case, reference D&P/0051c/02 (copy enclosed), I hereby direct (under article 7 of the above Order and the powers conferred by Section 2A of the 1990 Act) that I will act as the local planning authority for the purposes of determining the above planning application. My reasons are as follows:

- a) The development would have a significant impact on the implementation of the London Plan:
 - The specific points are set out in the attached Report
- b) There are sound planning reasons for my intervention:
 - The specific points are set out in the attached Report

I must also have regard to targets identified in development plans. As set out in the Report, I recognise that Lewisham has performed well in recent years in terms of housing and affordable housing delivery and has a healthy pipeline of permissions. However, in this particular case the planning history over the long term and particularly over the past year or so indicates that the breakdown in relationship between the Council and the applicant is such that I am not satisfied that you will be able to reach a timely planning determination in respect of the current planning application for this important site.

In due course I will notify you of the date of the representation hearing (if one is requested) and I will consult you on any draft planning obligation and/or conditions.

Please also ensure that a copy of this direction is placed on Part 2 of the register required to be kept by article 25 of the General Development Procedure Order (GDPO).

Yours sincerely



Boris Johnson
Mayor of London

cc Len Duvall OBE, London Assembly Constituency Member for Greenwich & Lewisham
Nicky Gavron, Chair of London Assembly Planning Committee
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