

**Mr Sadiq Khan**

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Dear Sadiq

Since the appointment of your Cultural Leadership Board in June 2017, the Board has drawn on the expertise of its members to set the priorities for a strategic approach to support and promote culture in the capital. As you are aware one of the Board's key statutory functions is to keep the culture strategy under review. It is now my pleasure to submit for your consideration a proposed revision of the culture section of your draft Culture Strategy. I also include the draft Integrated Impact Assessment report.

In producing this document, we have consulted the designated consultative bodies pursuant to section 376 of the Greater London Authority Act 1999, including Arts Council England and Historic England, and any successor bodies.

The Board has ensured that the policies and actions within not only deliver on your pledges for culture but also embed the principles you have set out in your vision, A City for All Londoners. The ambition of this draft strategy is to support culture for all Londoners. The goals are that more Londoners can access culture and benefit from engagement, that there is high quality cultural infrastructure to grow London's unique offer, and that creative careers are open to all Londoners. All of this will help London retain its world leading position as a creative capital.

I hope you will agree that this draft Culture Strategy captures not just the challenges but also the infinite opportunities culture and creativity can bring to the development of this great global city.

We look forward to your review of the draft Culture Strategy and ultimate publication for consultation. Once published the Board would be happy and keen to support the consultation on the draft Culture Strategy with the designated bodies, key stakeholders and Londoners.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or queries in the meantime.

Yours sincerely



Ben Evans  
Chair, Mayor's Cultural Leadership Board

**Encl:** Draft Culture Strategy & Draft Integrated Impact Assessment Report