

Social value in planning and regeneration

Traders selling goods on North End Road Market in Hammersmith and Fulham

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The London Assembly Planning and Regeneration Committee has published a report – *Social value in planning and regeneration: Knowing the price of everything and the value of nothing* – which finds that damage to communities is being caused by redevelopment in the capital.

The report recommends that the Mayor’s next London Plan must ensure community voices are heard in planning decisions, and calls for new policies to protect long-standing businesses that deliver high social value.

Recommendations in the report include:

- The next London Plan should include a social value policy, which sets out how community voices are heard in planning decisions.
- The Greater London Authority (GLA) should develop a toolkit for local authorities to protect and maximise social value through planning and regeneration
- The next London Plan should allow communities to designate markets which contribute social value as a protected asset.
- Places for London should implement an official ‘right to return policy’ so that businesses displaced as a result of arch regeneration can return to their workspace.

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