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My comments are as follows:

1. This Draft New London Plan is inappropriate for all areas of London and should not be dictated centrally, planning matters should be devolved to the local authority who are accountable to the local community. In the draft plan there would be no policy differentiations to meet the very distinct issues and needs between boroughs especially between inner and outer London Boroughs.
2. Transport - There are no quality plans to improve public transport in the Outer London Boroughs. In my borough of Hillingdon public transport links between the north and south of the borough are very poor. Not everyone travels into central London for work! Car parking standards for new builds are proposed to be reduced so presumably more people will be expected to use public transport which would not be available. This poor planning centrally is borne out by the Mayor removing support for the extension of the Metropolitan tube line despite funds to build it being in place. The Mayor clearly doesn't think much of the Outer London Boroughs.
3. Housing - Infill building in gardens, high rise buildings in town centres and undermining the Green belt would all seriously detract from the look and feel of the Outer London Boroughs and the reason people want to live there. There must not be inappropriate changes to planning through this Draft New London Plan which would permit the quality of the built environment to be despoiled. I do not see how it would be possible for Hillingdon to meet the target of 15,530 residential units over 10 years without causing serious irreversible damage to the character of the borough's towns, suburbs and villages. Brownfield sites and the huge number of empty properties in inner and outer London should be brought into use first.

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