## Jinder Ubhi

From: Patrick Curry

**Sent:** 27 February 2018 13:43

To: Londonplan Subject: Draft London Plan

Dear Consultation Team,

I am writing to respond to the draft London Plan consultation. I am pleased that the draft recognises the importance of green spaces but I am concerned about some of its flaws. In particular, certain policies' protection need to be much more robust:

- Protecting the Green Belt requires stronger enforcement.
- It should not be possible to 'swap' designated Metropolitan Open Land.
- Private and public gardens should be protected alongside other local green and open spaces.
- Policies and funding are needed to improve the quality of green space by reducing noise, light and air pollution, increasing biodiversity, and by giving stronger protection to mature trees and hedgerows.
- Informal and formal outdoor sports facilities, including for ball sports, should be protected and enhanced.
- A more strict approach is needed to reduce reliance on the private car, including reduced parking provision in new developments and promotion of more sustainable transport modes.
- Excessive housing densities in new development should be resisted to protect the local character of London's neighbourhoods.

Yours faithfully,

Patrick Curry

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'Cold, silence and solitude are conditions that tomorrow will become more valuable than gold.'

(Sylvain Tesson)

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Your message Dear Mr Khan,

Given the degree of influence you have over London's long-term future as well as its immediate conditions, I put it to you that somewhere near the very top of your list of priorities should be stricter planning controls for developers. They are plainly exploiting the need for housing in order to maximize their profits while getting away with building absurd numbers of expensive flats which will be unaffordable for the majority of Londoners.

Even worse is the effect on the fabric - literally and metaphorically - of London. The combination of pressure to sell to developers, greedy landlords raising rents insanely high and high business rates are adding to the effects of the internet to extinguish more and more of the small, independent businesses, shops, cafes and restaurants which give life in London public its liveliness, colour and indeed meaning, replacing them with inhuman corporate spaces: huge, ugly and deeply unfriendly. It is not exaggerating to say that what makes London liveable is being slowly but surely destroyed!

I beg you to please do everything you can to stop this process.

Sincerely,

Patrick Curry
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