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Your message Dear Mr Khan

I have just read through the small sites section of the Draft London Plan and just wanted to say THANK YOU for recognising the importance small sites play in delivering new housing, through infill, windfall sites and conversions. For far too long Council's have focused on stifling immediate shorter term opportunities that would create a mix of new housing provision and instead focused on larger sites, that whilst providing a strategic long term delivery solution do nothing for the intervening years. As you will be well aware larger schemes can often take 5 to 10 years from identification to delivery and in between Londoners go without much needed mixes of homes.

A small scheme of 10 homes not only delivers 10 new houses to the supply chain, it generates employment and growth through their delivery, build, council tax revenue and investment of skills and funds into the local areas of London. If each Council supported 10 x 10 dwelling small housing sites per year they could each deliver 100 new houses a year, be they flats, houses or conversions, that in many Boroughs would be 10/15% of their existing annual targets. These small sites would be delivered far quicker and have an immediate impact on supply and mix and in themselves would not materially undermine existing infrastructure provisions.

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The support the Draft London Plan gives to small builders and sites is a sprout of opportunity which I hope flourishes with innovation and diversification of small housing supply delivery. After all big things have small beginnings.

Thank you for the wind and I hope ships large and small steer in the right direction for Londoners.

Kind regards
Rajan Patel
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