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Chapter 3

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We would support this. Planning processes must ensure that the importance of a health promoting environment is incorporated. We know that many adults and the majority of children are not meeting the Government's recommended physical activity levels. There needs to be more done across London to review the provision of services offered by London Boroughs that increase physical activity and inform the public about the recommended levels of activity. Services offered should be inclusive of all age groups, recognise different health needs and be culturally appropriate.

Chapter 8

G4 Local Green and Open Space

We would support this. Local green and open space allow the public to be more active and these areas should be maintained and included in planning. Opening up more areas will give people the opportunity to be more physically active. Existing green and local spaces need to have adequate communal areas, shelters, seating and focal points to attract people to them as rundown parks deter people from using them. These areas also need to be attractive to all age groups, recognise health needs and be culturally appropriate.

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