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As a small public health nutrition charity based in London we would like to make comment on a small number of areas included in the plan.

We fully support the comments made by Sustain that policy G8 should go much further to protect and enhance food growing for its multiple benefits: *'London's resources of land and soil for agriculture, horticulture, orchards and private and community garden should be protected, planned for, designed and managed as integrated features of a healthy city and green infrastructure. In major developments the Mayor should require space for the cultivation of food in order to create a greener and more resilient city'*

1. Design: Policy D4

We would like to see an addition here which includes the need for communal gardening spaces in any major developments in London. Where developments include childcare facilities, nurseries or any other early year's setting access to green space and growing space should be a mandatory requirement.

2. Social infrastructure

The relationship between social infrastructure, social cohesion and food should be considered further within planning, particularly considering the needs of pregnant women and young families to be included in communal events. For example, support and appropriate facilities to ensure breastfeeding mothers are welcomed and breastfeeding is encouraged.

3. Economy: Policy E9

We welcome the ban on new fast food takeaway outlets within 400m of schools and would like to see this extended to nurseries and other early years settings. The restrictions should be extended to cover advertising of foods and drinks that are high in fat, salt and sugar on hoardings and bus stops near schools and EY settings, as well as all Transport for London controlled transport routes. We would also like to see this extended to ensuring there are no adverts for any food and drink aimed at children under the age of 3 years since this can seriously undermine appropriate infant and young child feeding.

Best wishes



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