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I read the article in the Evening Standard, and then heard the discussion on the 'Today' programme on Saturday morning for the new Draft London plan. Firstly, can I say that up to now I have been very supportive and impressed by the Mayor's strategy in attempting to make London a more environmentally friendly city, and I believe that he has made a brave and uncompromising stand against car emissions, and all the other 'Green' policies that he has adopted. However, I have to say that in one fell swoop, he has undone all that good work with this appalling plan. London is admired and envied throughout the world as a garden city; citizens in places like New York and Paris simply do not have them. The idea that slum landlords could build rabbit-hutch dwellings in gardens with no building constraints is simply Dickensian, destroying the lives and landscapes of millions of Londoners. I suppose it will benefit those people who own businesses, who can then house their lower- paid workers in small dwellings, and then benefit from the income the rent provides as well, but for those of us who simply find our gardens a place of sanctuary and tranquillity, it will simply be a nightmare. We already experience enough noise from building work etc., but with less control, it will simply become unbearable. We should be finding ways to encourage people to live and work elsewhere, rather than demolish what's left of our capital city. The very unimpressive deputy mayor on the 'Today' programme failed to satisfactorily answer any questions at all, except a vague notion of creating more green space when a garden is built on. Where? This will only benefit the greedy, and those seeking to destroy our wonderful city. I recently attended a symposium at London Zoo on the future of London, where it was stated that the future of our London parks was to be assured. Now I realise at what cost- have no garden, but you can go to the park. Disgraceful. What about flooding, and all the other dreadful consequences of intensification of population, and building. This plan is simply the worst and most appalling project I have ever heard and will destroy the very nature of life in London. Simply a tragedy.

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