

Hello Sadiq and team,

I am glad that you have been formulating a plan for London and very pleased that it addresses many of my concerns.

You will not be amazed to hear that I have not read every word in the plan; but though meetings I have attended I am aware of **some areas that could do with improvement** if we are to make a serious attempt to reduce climate change and to live in a pleasant city.

I would like to see a stronger push for the provision and the preservation of green spaces and nature. There are a number of studies that point to a link between people's health and well-being (here is a link to one of them <http://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0149777>) and access to nature. Also they are just enjoyable places to be - and, particularly for people in over-crowded homes, often without access to outside space, a nice place to relax, and to play with ones children is an important asset.

Having a target for London to become a zero carbon city is great but we need more fixed targets for reduction of carbon emissions along the way - since the final date is not till 2050. For this to become a reality we need much more explicit and practical support for renewable sources of energy. We have to reduce our carbon output as soon and fast as we can. It is clear that if we go on as we are until (say) 2040 and only then make a great push towards zero carbon output the the effects of climate change will be very severe indeed. This need also should be put into the chapter about **Sustainable Infrastructure** (Chapter 9)

In relation to the Clean Air plans - I would like to see consideration of the effects of any proposed new developments on the quality of the air be taken into account before permission to go ahead is given.

**Re Heathrow Expansion** - basically I would like see to a commitment to approve **no** new airports, or airport expansion, anywhere until there are airline fuels that are generally accepted not to hasten climate change. And for London to lobby against any such expansion anywhere since Climate Change affects us all.

With Good Wishes,

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