

To the Mayor of London and London Planners

I think to build 650,000 new households over the next 10 years is a grave mistake and will cause terrible problems. Already London is becoming a concrete jungle with too few gardens and green spaces.

Around 10% of the UK's carbon dioxide emissions are associated with the construction industry. Climate change is a real threat for the future. Governments must do more to help meet the Kyoto Protocol and cut greenhouse gases.

Affordable housing could be found if owners of second properties were discouraged to keep them by taxing them heavily. Foreigner investors were not allowed to own London property unless they were resident in the UK.

Incentives for the aging population to downsize from the family home and possibly move out of the London area.

Imposing fines on people who leave their properties empty.

By stopping the practice of knocking down a house and putting one large house or block of flats up to make money. Too many good houses are destroyed purely for financial gain. Houses that could be lived in.

There should be a tax on new build so that more houses were renovated and would be more affordable than new build and more quickly available. But property has become a way for people to make huge financial gains.

Very few people want to live in flats and yet developers choose this option as its more profitable per land usage.

People need shelter but they also need clean air, healthy food, and space to exercise and a community.

Just building more and more houses is a misplaced goal. Governments should be giving incentives to people to reduce the population by keeping families small and restricting immigration and re-developing existing housing and empty office blocks.

Working from home could mean offices could be converted into homes.

One of the reasons people voted for Brexit is the overcrowding of London and the London Boroughs.

We are a small island and its green belt is gradually being eroded.

Kind regards

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