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Dear Mr. KHAN

I have recently read a copy of "THE LONDON PLAN" which I got from my local LIBRARY. I agree with the contents of this but would like to include some extra details.

REGARDING HOUSING: - I THINK THAT HOUSES THAT ARE BOUGHT AND LEFT EMPTY, OR TEN BY PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT EVEN LIVING HERE, SHOULD BE SOLD ON BY THE COUNCIL, IF THE OWNER DOESN'T AGREE TO DO SO AND THE OWNER TAIGN REIMBURSED WHEN SOLD

- REGARDING OPEN & GREEN SPACES ETC: -
- 1) PARAGRAPH 1.3.3 I RECOMMEND AN ADDITION TO THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE: - ACCESS TO GREEN & OPEN SPACES, INCLUDING WATERWAYS AND TREES, CAN IMPROVE HEALTH, BUT ACCESS VARIES WIDELY ACROSS THE CITY.
 - 2) PARAGRAPH 3.9.5 I SUPPORT THE INCLUSION OF "PROTECTION FOR TREES" AS AN ISSUE IN THE AMPLIFICATION OF POTENTIAL NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF LARGE-SCALE BASEMENT DEVELOPMENT BENEATH EXISTING BUILDINGS.
 - 3) POLICY H1. INCREASING HOUSING SUPPLY. I RECOMMEND THAT SENTENCE (B2)d IS CLARIFIED SO THAT "PUBLIC SECTOR OWNED SITES" WILL NOT INCLUDE WOODLAND PARKS AND OPEN SPACES.
 - 4) PARAGRAPH 4.2.9. I SUPPORT THE PRINCIPLE OF "NO NET LOSS OF OVERALL GREEN COVER" AS A RESULT OF SMALL HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS, AND SUPPORT "OFF SITE PROVISION SUCH AS NEW STREET TREES" IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THIS PRINCIPLE
 - 5) I RECOMMEND AN ADDITION TO THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE: - LOSS OF EXISTING BIODIVERSITY, OR GREEN SPACE, AS A RESULT OF SMALL HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS, SHOULD BE MITIGATED THROUGH MEASURES SUCH AS THE INSTALLATION OF GREEN ROOFS, THE PROVISION OF LANDSCAPING THAT FACILITATES SUSTAINABLE URBAN DRAINAGE, OR OFF-SITE PROVISION SUCH AS NEW STREET TREES IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE GREENFIELD RUN OFF RATES. LOSS OF ANY PUBLIC

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GREEN SPACE WILL BE COMPENSATED FOR WITH ALTERNATIVE ACCESSIBLE SITES

- 6) POLICY S4. PLAY AND INFORMAL RECREATION I SUPPORT SECTION B2) d. I SUPPORT THAT RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS FOR SETTINGS THAT ARE LIKELY TO BE USED BY CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SHOULD, INCORPORATE GOOD QUALITY ACCESSIBLE PLAY PROVISION FOR ALL AGES OF AT LEAST 10 SQUARE METRES FOR CHILD THAT:-
INCORPORATES TREES AND/OR OTHER FORMS OF GREENERY
- 7) POLICY G1 GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE I SUPPORT THIS POLICY AND SUBSEQUENT NARRATIVE THAT MENTIONS THE IMPORTANT ROLE OF TREES.
- 8) POLICY G5 URBAN GREENING I SUPPORT THIS POLICY INCLUDING THE RECOMMENDED URBAN GREEN SPACE FACTOR, AND SUBSEQUENT NARRATIVE THAT MENTIONS THE IMPORTANT ROLE OF TREES
- 9) I SUPPORT THE INCLUSION OF THE ROLE AND WEIGHTING FOR WOODLAND AND TREES IN TABLE 8.2 URBAN GREENING FACTORS
- 10) I RECOMMEND INCLUDING A REFERENCE TO RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AND TREES (WOODLAND TRUST, 2015, WoodlandTrust.org.uk/residentialdevelopments)
- 11) POLICY G6 BIODIVERSITY AND ACCESS TO NATURE I SUPPORT AND OF ANCIENT WOODLANDS ARE ADDED TO THE CATEGORIES OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS THAT MUST BE REFERRED TO THE MAYOR
- 12) POLICY G7 TREES AND WOODLANDS I SUPPORT THIS POLICY
- 13) I RECOMMEND THAT SECTION B3) 1 IS STRENGTHENED AS FOLLOWS:- GIVING THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE PROTECTION TO VETERAN TREES AND ANCIENT WOODLAND, ESPECIALLY WHERE THESE ARE NOT ALREADY PART OF A PROTECTED SITE
- 14) I SUPPORT THE SUBSEQUENT NARRATIVE ON THE ROLE OF TREES PARTICULARLY PARAGRAPHS 8.71 - 8.73
- 15) I RECOMMEND REFERRING LONDON BOLSIGHTS TO GUIDANCE ON ANCIENT WOODLAND AND VETERAN TREES:- PLANNERS MANUAL FOR ANCIENT WOODLAND AND VETERAN TREES (WOODLAND TRUST 2017, WoodlandTrust.org.uk/plannersmanual)