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Dear Mayor of London Sadiq Khan,

You and your team have a big task drafting the new London Plan, and I like many of your proposals, but I want to draw attention to a particular concern of mine. London's air is so polluted that it is hardly worth breathing, and yet we all have to breathe. Among other measures, we need a radically different approach to new developments, and we need to make them "zero carbon", by using the most efficient type of PV panels and ground source heat pumps etc. We can no longer afford the unnecessarily polluting developments of the past which damage the environment. I understand that there is currently a submitted planning application in Dagenham, by the Japanese company NTT Communications, for two buildings, each 212 meters long, on brownfield land, with nearly 4,000 rooftop solar panels for generating power. This is clearly the way forward. There are already some companies that build "zero carbon" houses. If you go to the website www.vertohomes.com you can look at this very young company's beautiful "zero carbon" homes. The company is still small, but unlike the dinosaurs among the housebuilders, they have grasped the fact that environmentally damaging developments are no longer acceptable and zero carbon must be the future. On that same website, click on "Sustainability", look at "Energy Generation" about powering homes without burning fossil fuels and about the use of powerful photovoltaic panels integrated into the roof. Click on "Renewable Heat" and "Thermal Efficiency" for further info.

Please take whatever measures are within your powers to improve London's air.

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