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23<sup>rd</sup> February 2018.

Dear Sadiq Khan, I am very pleased indeed that you intend to include the many trees and Green Places which help to lighten the London streets in the new London Plan. As a member of the Woodland Trust, I am very aware of the advantages to London as a whole, in the possession of so many trees, recreation grounds, allotments and grass verges, but I think your Plan needs to be strengthened by the addition of some extra words, which I have printed in BLOCK CAPITALS.

Para 1.3.3 Access to green and open spaces, including waterways ~~AND~~ **TREES**, as an issue in the amplification of negative impacts of large scale basement development.

Policy H1 Increasing housing supply. Clarify<sup>etc</sup> sentence B2) so that "public sector owned sites" will not include woodland, parks, open spaces and **ROADSIDE TREES**.

Para 4.2.9. I support the principle of "no net loss of overall green cover" as a result of small housing developments and support "H-site provision such as NEW

STREET TREES," in order to achieve this principle.

I also recommend the addition of a final sentence to the statement "Loss of existing biodiversity or green space as a result of small housing developments, should be mitigated through the addition of green roofs, the provision of landscaping that facilitates urban drainage or of site provision such as new street trees in order to achieve the principle of no net loss of overall green cover. Rainwater attenuation features should be incorporated to achieve greenfield run-off rates. LOSS OF ANY GREEN SPACE ~~WILL~~ BE COMPENSATED FOR WITH ALTERNATIVE ACCESSIBLE SITES."

Policy 54. Play and informal recreation.

I support Section B2)d, that residential development proposals for schemes 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 "incorporates trees and/or other forms of greenery".

Policy 61. Green infrastructure.

I support this policy, and subsequent narrative that mentions the important role of trees.

Policy 65. Urban greening.

I support this policy, including the recommendation on Urban Green Space Factor, P.T.O.

and subsequent<sup>2.</sup> narrative that mentions the important role of trees.

Table 82 Urban greening factors.

I support the inclusion of the role and weighting for Woodland and Trees.

I recommend including a reference to Residential Development and Trees (Woodland Trust 2015, woodlandtrust.org.uk/residential-developments).

Policy 66. Biodiversity and access to nature

I support this policy.

I recommend that sites of Metropolitan importance and all ancient woodlands are added to the categories of planning applications that must be referred to the Mayor.

Policy 67. Trees and woodlands.

I support this policy. AND

I recommend that ~~text~~

Section B)1 is strengthened as follows.

GIVE THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE PROTECTION TO "VETERAN" TREES AND ANCIENT WOODLAND" ESPECIALLY WHERE THESE ARE NOT ALREADY PART OF A PROTECTED SITE.

Paragraphs B.71 - 8.73

I support the subsequent narrative on the role of trees, particularly P.T.O.

the two paragraphs designated.  
I recommend that London Boroughs  
be referred to guidance on ancient  
woodland and veteran trees: see  
Planners' manual for ancient  
woodland and veteran trees (Woodland  
Trust, 2017 woodlandtrust.org.uk/  
plannersmanual.

I trust that someone will really  
read my letter and add it to the  
list of people making recommendations.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. 