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Michael Mulhern Interim CEO OPDC City Hall The Queen's Walk London SE1 2AA

Re: Housing Infrastructure Bid - Letter of Support

Dear Michael.

We were delighted to hear that the Government had confirmed that Old Oak and Park Royal Development Corporation had been successful earlier this year in its Expression of Interest for Housing Infrastructure Funding.

Undoubtedly, the scale of opportunity at Old Oak is immense. The area is identified as having the capacity to deliver 25,500 homes and 65,000 jobs with the potential to create a brand-new centre in west London that will further enable growth of London and the UK economy. The project is a vitally important regeneration project and is one of the largest regeneration opportunities in Western Europe. However, there are huge complexities in unlocking this land for development and so there is a compelling case for public sector investment here. This Housing Infrastructure Funding bid from OPDC and the GLA presents an incredible opportunity to kick start the transformation of over 134ha of brownfield land to support the delivery of an exemplar new community.

The Old Oak North Programme sits on the doorstep of a very deprived part of London, with much of the local area within the top 10% most deprived communities nationally. The area spans across Brent, Ealing and Hammersmith and Fulham and we would welcome the positive impact that new homes and jobs in the area could bring to our residents. Investment by Government in this programme will help to deliver on many of the priorities outlined in both the London Plan and in OPDC's Local Plan, which seek to ensure that regeneration in Old Oak benefits these surrounding communities.

We fully support the benefits the public-sector investment in the Old Oak North Programme would bring. This funding will play a hugely important role in securing the timely delivery of new homes to help meet the massive housing needs of local people and Londoners as a whole.

Yours sincerely,

