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## **Leader's Office**Ealing Council, Town Hall, New Broadway, London W5 2BY



31st August 2018

Dear Mick,

I am writing to you as Chair of the West London Economic Prosperity Board to offer the West London Alliance's (WLA) support for the Old Oak and Park Royal Development Corporation's (OPDC's) Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF) bid to deliver the Old Oak North Programme.

The West London Economic Prosperity Board consists of the London Boroughs of Barnet, Brent, Harrow, Hammersmith & Fulham, Hounslow and Ealing. The WLA covers an area of some two million people and 100,000 people – amongst the largest joint-working areas in the UK.

The WLA fully supports the benefits that the public sector investment in the Old Oak North Programme provided through the HIF would bring to support the delivery of this important phase of the wider Old Oak regeneration project. This funding will play an hugely important role in in securing the timely delivery of new homes to help meet the massive housing needs of local people and Londoners as a whole. Investment in the timely delivery of homes within the Old Oak North Programme will capitalise on, and complement, the Government's new Old Oak Common station, which is set to open in 2026 as the UK's largest rail station built for over a century and the largest ever sub-surface station built in the UK. It will also support our shared goal to deliver the proposed West London Orbital rail line, which will give hundreds of thousands more Londoners easy and fast access to the Old Oak Common station.

The Old Oak project is a vitally important regeneration project for the local area, west London, London and the UK. The area as a whole is identified as having the capacity to deliver 25,500 homes and 65,000 jobs. It is one of the largest regeneration opportunities in Western Europe and the Old Oak North Programme presents an incredible opportunity to kick start the transformation of over 134ha of brownfield land in central London into 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. Investment by Government in this programme will help to



deliver on many of the priorities outlined in OPDC's Local Plan, which seek to ensure that regeneration in Old Oak benefits these surrounding communities.

Yours sincerely,

