• The new London Plan comes into force on 2 March 2021.

• The Plan sets the overarching framework for how London will develop over the next 20-25 years.
LONDON PLAN 2021 – STRATEGIC VISION

The Plan identifies places with capacity to grow, including Opportunity Areas and town centres – linked by new and improved public transport infrastructure.
The Plan supports central London, and the rich mix of uses that make it the vibrant heart of the capital.
The Plan identifies space for over 52,000 new homes per year in London – and has a target for 50 per cent of all new homes to be genuinely affordable.
The Plan uses a ‘threshold approach’. Schemes that deliver at least **35%** affordable housing go down a ‘fast track’ route. Schemes under this threshold being subject to detailed scrutiny and other mechanisms to ensure they are providing the maximum possible amount of affordable housing.

This incentivises developers – and is already working, with a significant increase in affordable housing on recent applications that are referred to the Mayor.
New buildings need to be constructed to ‘zero-carbon’ standards, and larger schemes should be developed in line with ‘circular economy’ principles – minimising demolition waste and designing new buildings so they can be disassembled and the materials re-used at the end of the building’s life.
The Plan will also make London greener and healthier. It protects green and open spaces as well as the Thames and London’s other waterways.

The Plan promotes urban greening for new development, as well as the creation of Healthy Streets. It has policies that will help to address poor air quality and enable more people to walk, cycle and use sustainable modes of transport to get about.
The London Plan also celebrates London’s rich and changing character. It protects strategic views of London’s landmarks from places across the capital where they can be enjoyed by everyone.

And it has policies to ensure that the character of an area underpins how it will grow and develop.
The London Plan includes policies that will lay the groundwork for London’s recovery from Covid-19.

- Supporting more flexible and welcoming high streets
- Providing space for logistics and distribution to service our homes and businesses
- Protecting community spaces, pubs, music venues, cultural infrastructure and LGBTQ+ spaces
The London Plan 2021 is central to tackling the big issues that London faces – and will make a positive difference to the lives of all Londoners.
LONDON PLAN TIMELINE – HOW WE GOT TO PUBLICATION

Oct 2016
A City for All Londoners

2016–2017
Evidence & drafting

2016–2017
Strategy development

Dec 2017
Draft London Plan published

Dec 2017
Three month consultation

Apr–Jul 2018
Analysis and amendments

Aug 2018
Minor changes published

Aug 2018
Inspectors appointed

Mar 2021
New London Plan published

Mar & Dec 2020
Directions from SoS

Feb 2020
London Assembly

Dec 2019
Submission to SoS

Oct 2019
Inspectors’ report

Jul 2019
Further changes published

Jan–May 2019
Examination in public

Sep–Dec 2018
Matters statements
The London Plan 2021 in numbers

- 47 Opportunity areas
- 50 per cent of new homes to be genuinely affordable
- 52,000 new homes per year
- 80 per cent of trips to be taken by walking, cycling and public transport by 2041

- 102 policies
- 10 per cent of new homes must meet the highest standards of accessibility
- 55 strategic industrial locations
- 95 per cent of construction and demolition waste to be reused, recycled or recovered

- 27 designated strategic views
- 400 metre exclusion zone for new hot food takeaways near schools
- 43 safeguarded wharves
- All major developments to meet net zero carbon

- 4,000 consultation responses
- 300 organisations and individuals participated in Examination in Public
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