

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

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Dear Mr Bridgewater

I am writing on behalf of the Mayor of London following comments regarding the London Plan at the Examination hearings into the Hillingdon Local Plan Part 2. I thought it would be useful to clarify the relationship between the London Plan and Local Plans in London.

The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) is clear in S. 24 that development plan documents prepared by London boroughs must be in general conformity with the spatial development strategy (SDS) for London (referred to as the London Plan). When Hillingdon requested the Mayor's opinion on conformity in November 2015, the Local Plan Part 2 was assessed against the SDS published in March 2015 (The London Plan. The spatial development strategy for London consolidated with alterations since 2011).

Further, the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) in S. 38 states that for any area in Greater London the development plan consists of the spatial development strategy, the local development plan documents and neighbourhood plans. Since the Mayor provided his opinion on conformity in November 2015, the SDS has been amended through minor alterations and an updated London Plan was published in March 2016, which is the current version forming part of the development plan for all London planning authorities. For Hillingdon, the up to date development plan consists of the consolidated London Plan 2016 and the policies in the Hillingdon Local Plan Part 1 (2012) that have not been superseded by the London Plan (versions 2013, 2015, 2016).

Yours sincerely



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