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Dear Jonathan,

**Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended);
Greater London Authority Acts 1999 and 2007;
Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations
2012**

**RE: Kensington & Chelsea Local Plan Partial Review - Further
Modifications Consultation**

Thank you for consulting the Mayor of London on the Proposed Further Modifications of the partial review of your Local Plan. As you are aware, under section 24 (1)(b) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, all development plan documents have to be in general conformity with the London Plan. On 09 February 2016 and 09 December 2016, the Mayor provided comments on early versions of the document and on 16 March 2017, the Regulation 19 version (ref:LDF20/LDD20/KR01).

Housing

The bulk of the modifications relate to the Council's decision to suspend estate regeneration projects and the need to delete the related policies, text and sites from the review. The Mayor is sympathetic to this decision, and considers that, subject to an early review, the proposed modifications (and resulting Local Plan) would be in conformity with the London Plan.

The suspension of the estate regeneration projects, and the rolling forward of the housing trajectory by a year result in Kensington and Chelsea's housing trajectory reducing from 11,694 units for the period 2016/7 to 2030/31 (780 units pa) to 10,651 units for the period 2017/18 to 2031/32 (710 units pa). The revised figure falls short by 344 units of Kensington and Chelsea's annual average housing supply monitoring target of 733 units pa as set out in Table 3.1 of the London Plan (10,995 units over the Plan period).

However, in line with the NPPF, the proposed modifications identify sites that will deliver a sufficient supply of housing (882 homes pa) over the first five years in order to meet the borough's housing requirements, including a 20% buffer. On average, over the first 10 years, the borough has sufficient capacity to meet its housing target with 7,718 units identified.

It is the latter years (11-15) where the borough is aiming to find additional capacity. Kensington and Chelsea has identified a capacity of 2,933 units for years 11-15. In this regard, Kensington

and Chelsea has committed to an early review (within five years of the adoption of this Local Plan). The borough has also been inputting into the London SHLAA and will have a revised housing target published in the new draft London Plan later this year, based on this process.

Next stages

I hope that these comments can inform the Examination of Kensington and Chelsea's Local Plan – Partial Review. If you would like to discuss any of my representations in more detail, please contact Celeste Giusti (020 7983 4811) who will be happy to discuss any of the issues raised.

Yours sincerely

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