



Dear Ms Heywood

RE: Havering Local Plan General Conformity with the Publication London Plan

Thank you for your letter of 13 May 2021 concerning the general conformity of the Havering Local Plan with the London Plan 2021.

As set out previously, the Council does not consider that the Havering Local Plan is out of general conformity with the London Plan 2021 and we are disappointed that further Main Modifications are now needed at this late stage in the Examination. However, the Council is committed to ensuring that Havering has an adopted Local Plan and now wishes to proceed as quickly as possible to adoption.

Your letter asked for a response from the Council on a number of matters and these are addressed below.

- Timescales for submission of the wording of the above main modifications for my agreement

Officers have already provided draft main modifications. A response from you is needed urgently to be able to advance the public consultation.

- Timescales for the production of the immediate update to the Plan up to the point of submission for Examination;

The proposed timeframe for the immediate update of the Local Plan is:

- Preparation of evidence base - ongoing throughout 2021 and 2022
- Regulation 18 Consultation - summer 2022
- Regulation 19 Consultation - spring 2023
- Submission to Secretary of State - late summer 2023

- Timescales for updating the LDS;

It is our intention that the updated LDS is approved by Cabinet at the same time as the adoption of the Havering Local Plan.

- Timescales for a further consultation on the proposed new main modifications

It is the Council's intention to commence the consultation before the end of June 2021. In order to be able to meet this timetable and taking into consideration the approval process required, feedback from you on the wording of the Main Modifications is now essential.

Yours sincerely

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