



3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the 'Enfield Local Plan Main Issues and Preferred Approaches' Regulation 18 document (June 2021). Further to our letter dated on the 27th January 2021 and our Duty to Cooperate response (August 2021) having reviewed the Regulation 18 draft Enfield Local Plan, LBN don't currently have any further cross-boundary issues to raise at this stage.

The London Borough of Newham are generally supportive of the vision and priorities laid out, in particular those which seek to respond to the key issues that London boroughs face in relation to climate change, housing affordability and delivery, poverty and inequality and protecting and enhancing employment land within the Lee Valley Property Market Area (PMA).

In relation to employment land, LBN recognise the current challenges facing London boroughs in meeting economic need. LBN are supportive of Enfield's policy approach to safeguard existing employment land. We consider this suitably responds to historic employment land pressures and demands identified in the employment evidence base alongside the promotion of industrial intensification in line with Policy E7 of the London Plan. We also understand the approach to explore new industrial capacity at two new designated sites in order to meet economic need and to deliver the London Plan's requirement for boroughs to 'provide capacity'.

As noted in the draft plan, and as with other Boroughs within the Functional Economic Market Area, since the adoption of the Local Plan in 2018, LBN has experienced increasing land pressures on employment land alongside a strong take up of industrial floorspace across the borough. We are currently commencing an update to the 2017 Employment Land Review to identify the current supply and demand to meet economic need as part of the Local Plan Review. We will keep in touch as that work evolves.

We are also at the first stages of Local Plan development; we look forward to engaging with you further as both our Plans develop.

Yours Sincerely,