

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS
Community Infrastructure Levy Examination

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Dear Mr Whalley

London Borough of Tower Hamlets Community Infrastructure Levy Examination

Thank you for your letter of 12 June.

The 12 items of further information you list accord with my notes of what was discussed at the Hearings. However, in terms of detail, in relation to item 1 it would be helpful to have the Council's comments on the extent to which the two strategic sites most discussed at the hearings (Bishopsgate and Wood Wharf) are reflective of the other site allocations and of envisaged development across the borough as a whole. And in connection with item 11 I particularly want to understand the reasoning for the indicated build costs in the March 2013 Viability Study and the subsequent change in the August 2013 study.

In addition to the listed further information I would also be grateful for a formal response from the Council to the question I posed a number of times during the hearings: **if** I were to be persuaded by some or all of the arguments put by representors in connection with strategic sites whether or not the draft schedule could be modified, reflecting appropriate available evidence, to take account of this.

The timescales you indicate for preparation of the evidence and consultation on it appear reasonable, although as I mentioned at the Hearings I will not be available to consider it during August.

The Examination remains open whilst you are preparing and consulting on the information and once I have had a chance to consider it and any consultation responses I can then advise on the appropriate way forward.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours sincerely

Malcolm Rivett

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