

Neighbourhood Planning Forum Designation and Approval Statement

Name of approved Neighbourhood Planning Forum:
Poplar Neighbourhood Planning Forum

Name of applicant:
Poplar Regen Alliance

Name of designated Neighbourhood Planning Area:
Poplar Neighbourhood Planning Area (as designated on 30 January 2018)

Consultation period:
9 August 2018 to 20 September 2018

***For further information please contact Strategic Planning on 020 7364 5009 or
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Decision

Notice is hereby given that Tower Hamlets Council, pursuant to a decision made on 31 October 2018 by the Mayor in Cabinet, has designated the Poplar Neighbourhood Planning Forum.

As required under The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 Part 2 Regulation 7 (2), the designation and approval statement can be viewed at the following locations:

- The Council's neighbourhood planning webpages
- Tower Hamlets Town Hall, Mulberry Place, E14 2BG
- Idea Store Chrisp Street, 1 Vesey Path, East India Dock Road, London E14 6BT

Statement of Reasons

Neighbourhood Forum Designation

The Poplar Regen Alliance has demonstrated that its application to become a Neighbourhood Planning Forum meets the requirements of the Town and Country Planning Act (1990) (61F), the National Planning Practice Guidance and the Tower Hamlets Neighbourhood Planning Guidance Note.

The written constitution and application form states that the proposed forum was established for the express purpose of promoting or improving the social,

economic and environmental wellbeing of the Poplar Neighbourhood Area. The proposed forum application outlines that, amongst other aims and objectives, the forum seeks to secure the provision of social and affordable housing in the area, including seeking to maintain and improve existing stock; encourage training and education opportunities to reduce unemployment; and to protect heritage assets and protect and improve local open spaces.

Forum membership is open to everyone who lives, works or represents the Area as an elected member. This is secured via the Constitution of the Poplar Regen Alliance submitted as part of the application (dated 2 July 2018). The forum has a membership which includes a minimum of 21 people, each of whom lives, works (whether for business carried out there or otherwise) or represents the Poplar Neighbourhood Area as an elected member. The application form provides the names of 34 members drawn from different places within the Area.