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Dear Mr Farnham

A Neighbourhood Planning Forum for Wapping and the Surrounding Areas

We write to advise it is the intention of network Wapping to withdraw the current application for the establishment of a Neighbourhood Planning Forum for Wapping and the surrounding area with a view to submitting an updated application including an enhanced constitution towards the end of summer 2013.

We understand that to amend the information currently being reviewed by Tower Hamlets a new application is required. The new neighbourhood planning forum application will include feedback information from consultation meetings, 'drop-in sessions' and a consultation stall present at a number of community events held during the month of July 2013, and further feedback information will be gathered between today and the submission of the revised application.

Feedback to date suggests that 96.4% of those providing feedback support a means of expressing views on planning matters together (e.g. via a Neighbourhood Planning Forum) and only 3.6% did not support expressing views together; 83 % supported the inclusion of areas that neighbour Wapping e.g. St Katharine Docks and (part of) Shadwell in the Neighbourhood Planning Area, 15% did not, and 2% had no opinion. 100% of those providing feedback indicated they cared about planning in the area being considered. Signatures of support for a Neighbourhood Planning Forum for Wapping and surrounding areas have also been collected.

We are grateful to all who provided feedback in the last month and appreciative to those who volunteered considerable time and other resources to make this public consultation possible; we look forward to submitting a revised application.

Kind Regards

John Bell
for
network Wapping