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Dear Sirs

# REPRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF THE MAYOR'S OFFICE FOR POLICING AND CRIME / METROPOLITAN POLICE SERVICE SITE ALLOCATIONS DPD - PROPOSED SUBMISSION VERSION

I write on behalf of our client the Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime / Metropolitan Police Service with regard to the Site Allocations DPD Further Options Report. The MPA's estate is currently evolving to better meet policing needs and the proposed additions to this document will assist in achieving these needs and ultimately improve safety and security across the borough. Previous representations were made to the Further Options version on 6 December 2010. These representations recommended the inclusion of Brockley Police Station and Sydenham Police Station within the Site Allocations DPD for residential-led mixed-use development. Representations were made at the Further Options Report stage, letter dated 6 December 2010. The Council rejected these representations on the grounds that they had identified sufficient land to meet their housing needs.

#### **Policy Background**

The recently adopted National Planning Policy Framework notes that planning should 'proactively drive and support sustainable economic development' to deliver the homes, businesses and industrial units that the country needs. 'Every effort should be made objectively to identify and then meet the housing, business and other development needs of the area'. It states that when plan making, Councils should use their evidence base to ensure that their local plans meet the full, objectively assessed need for market and affordable housing. Councils should identify sufficient deliverable sites to provide five years worth of housing against their requirements with an additional buffer of 5% (or 20% where there is a record of persistent under delivery). It is therefore essential that the following two sites are included within the Site Allocations DPD, mindful that not every site currently identified may be delivered.

#### **Proposed Sites**

The MOPC/MPS wish to promote the inclusion of two sites for residential led, mixed-use development in the next draft of the document:

- · Brockley Police Station; and
- · Sydenham Police Station.

Site location plans are enclosed.

The estate strategy promotes the review of the current use of these sites only once the current police facilities have been relocated / re-provided elsewhere.

I trust this is appropriate and the objectives of the MPA will be reflected in the next version of the document. Should you have any comments or queries please contact either Brian Coughlan or me to discuss them further.

Yours faithfully

Senior Associate Director

encl: Appendix 1: Proposed Sites

cc: Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime

### **Brockley Police Station**



## Sydenham Police Station

