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Dear Sir/Madam

## Re: Lewisham town centre Area Action Plan Further Options Report and Sustainability Appraisal

The Council is consulting on the Lewisham town centre Area Action Plan (AAP) Further Options Report. This report builds on the previous consultation that took place in 2007 (known as Preferred Options) and is a stage in preparing the Development Plan Document.

The preparation of the Lewisham AAP Further Options Report was subject to a Sustainability Appraisal. This document is also available for consultation and comment.

The Lewisham AAP will set out the vision, objectives, strategy and policies that will guide development and regeneration in Lewisham town centre over the next 5 - 10 years. Major change is anticipated in the town centre including elements of residential, retail, employment and environmental schemes.

The purpose of the AAP Further Options Report is to ensure that all stakeholders and members of the public have the opportunity to not only comment in detail on what options should or could be taken forward into the draft AAP, but also on those alternative options which are not being taken forward (those options which are not seen as being suitable) and the various evidence reports used to justify the Council's position.

Details on how, when and where to view the documents and to submit comments can be found in the 'public notice' copied to the back of this letter. The evidence based documents used to support the Lewisham Area Action Plan Further Options Report can be found at:

http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/Environment/Planning/PlanningPolicy/LocalDevelopment Framework/LocalDevelopmentFrameworkEvidenceBase

Yours sincerely,

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# LONDON BOROUGH OF LEWISHAM Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 The Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England)(Amendment) Regulations 2008 (Regulation 25) NOTICE OF PRE-SUBMISSION PUBLIC PARTICIPATION Lewisham Town Centre Area Action Plan Further Options Report

The London Borough of Lewisham is consulting on a document called the **Lewisham town centre Area Action Plan (AAP) Further Options Report**, which forms part of the borough's Local Development Framework.

The AAP Further Options Report (accompanied by a Sustainability Appraisal) sets out options for the development of Lewisham town centre over the next 5 - 10 year period. The document provides a bridge between the 2007 Preferred Options AAP and a future draft plan and responds to previous consultation and changing circumstances since 2007.

# Consultation Period: From Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2011 to 5pm Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2011, which is the deadline for comments.

The documents can be inspected free of charge as follows:

- Online at: http://consult.lewisham.gov.uk/portal

- The Planning Information Service, in the business centre, ground floor, Laurence House,1 Catford Road, Catford SE6 4RU, Mon to Fri 08:30hrs to 17:00 hrs (paper format or free CD)

- **Public libraries** - Blackheath Village, Catford, Crofton Park, Downham, Forest Hill, Grove Park, Lewisham, Manor House (Mobile), New Cross, Sydenham, Torridon Road and Wavelengths (visit <u>www.lewisham.gov.uk/libraries or call 020 8314 6399</u> for opening times)

#### How to comment

Responses should be completed on a Consultation Questionnaire Reply Form, which can be downloaded from the Council website, picked up at public libraries and the Planning Information Service, or posted on request by calling 020 8314 7400. Online responses automatically use this form.

### Where to send comments

- Online/web at: http://consult.lewisham.gov.uk/portal

- E-mail to: planning.policy@lewisham.gov.uk

- Post to: Planning Information Service, London Borough of Lewisham, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Laurence House, 1 Catford Road SE6 4RU

- Fax to: 020 8314 3127

Please state on the completed questionnaire reply form if you wish to be notified and at what address, when the Publication Draft AAP is submitted to the Secretary of State for Independent Examination and of the adoption of the document.

If you have any queries please contact the Planning Service on: 020 8314 7400

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