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Dear Lewisham Council

I write in response to the consultation regarding the regeneration of Catford.

Please find my key points below

The prevalence of fried chicken shops and pound shops brings the area down. Some should be retained but better quality shops and restaurants are needed to lift the misery overhanging the town centre

Lawrence House and the Town Hall should be replaced by mixed use retail and residential though buildings next to the Broadway Theatre should be sensitive to the height of this Grade 2 listed structure

The area needs more restaurants. Bar a few exceptions the only place near Catford to go for a sit down meal is Blackheath. With the Catford Bridge Tavern currently closing good eating options are further depleted

The South Circular should be redesigned to allow for a better flow of traffic. Traffic is terrible in the area and with more homes being built over the coming the latest plan doesn't go far enough in looking to relieving the traffic Buildings of architectural merit (which would usually mean any building pre-World War 1) should be cleaned up and once done will look far more attractive

Building materials for any new buildings should be made of high quality materials. Brick would be my favoured material due to its low maintenance nature as opposed to cladding (as an example I refer to the ugly new flats built at the bottom of Courthill Road next to the railway Bridge which after only a few years of life are grimy and need a repaint which I'm sure will not be done)

Any redevelopment should include as many open spaces as possible with more greenery which will improve residents' quality of life

The market on Catford Broadway should be weekly rather than monthly Catford and Catford Bridge stations areas should be redeveloped with better thought for travel between the 2 and the Catford Bridge main station building opened up for re-use

Plassy Island should be redeveloped to provide residential and more shops Rushy Green shop fronts need to be cleaned and refurbished. Why so many garish plastic shop signs?

I am not against an anchor supermarket store on the Millford Towers site though a mix of independent shops would set the centre apart from many others in the UK

Redevelopment should start as quick as possible

Regards

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