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Dear Planning Policy Group,

Planning consultation: Catford Town Centre Local Plan - Proposed Submission version. **Location:** Lewisham.

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated 16 August 2013.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

Having checked the proposed submission version of the Catford Town Centre Local Plan it is clear that Natural England wouldn't have any substantive comments to make in relation to the plan.

It is noted however that the policies relating to Green Infrastructure are welcomed – such as those points in section 4.4.2 relating to Policy 16 - Managing Flooding and adapting to Climate Change. The use of Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDS) is welcomed as part of any new development, in order to provide resilient urban environments in Catford Town Centre going forward.

We really value your feedback to help us improve the service we offer. We have attached a feedback form to this letter and welcome any comments you might have about our service.

Yours sincerely,

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