



Public Examination of the Development Management Local Plan

London Borough of Lewisham response to the Inspector's initial query regarding DM27: Lighting.

1. *The Guidance Notes should not be referred to in the policy itself since this would import and elevate non-statutory guidance into statutory policy. On the other hand the accompanying text could draw attention to them as matters to be treated as material considerations.*

(Note a complete list of all the Inspector's initial questions are on the Examination website and can be accessed via the following link:

<http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/myserVICES/planning/policy/LDF/development-policies/Documents/DMLPInitialQueries.pdf>)

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Council response

1 In response to the Inspectors initial concerns the Council proposes the following modifications. Text additions are **underlined in bold** and deletions are ~~struckthrough~~.

DM Policy 27 **Lighting**

The Council will require applicants to protect local character, residential amenity and the wider public, biodiversity and wildlife from light pollution and nuisance by:

- a) taking appropriate measures in lighting design and installation ~~in line with the Institute of Lighting Professionals' Guidance Notes for the Reduction of Obstructive Light (2014)~~ to control the level of illumination, glare, spillage of light, angle and hours of operation.
- b) Using energy efficient and solar powered lighting for energy conservation where feasible
- c) Providing sensitive lighting for footpaths, cycle paths and public parking areas in development with particular consideration of the potential adverse impact on biodiversity.
- d) Preventing the adverse impact of light pollution at all stages of development, from building demolition and construction to occupation.

- 1.1 No modifications are proposed to the supporting text as paragraph 2.218 already refers to the guidance that has been deleted above.