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Dear Mr Jericho,

Lewisham Site Allocations Local Plan Submission

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated 1 October 2012, seeking the views and comments of Natural England in respect of the Submission version of the above consultation document.

Natural England must be consulted by the Local Planning Authority on planning applications that may impact on nationally protected nature conservation sites, and applications that require an Environmental Impact Assessment.

The proposed submission document does not substantially differ from the pre submission version consulted and commented on by Natural England in January 2012. The proposed modifications ensure stronger compliance with the National Planning Policy Framework and help strengthen the document overall.

Natural England welcomes the extensions to existing Sites of Interest for Nature Conservation (SINC's) and the identification of new SINC's.

Since there is no substantive or significant changes to this document from the January 2012 consultation, Natural England does not wish to offer any further comments.

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.

For clarification of any points in this letter, please contact David Hammond on 0300 060 1373. For any new consultations or issues, please contact consultations@naturalengland.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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