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Dear Sir/Madam,

Regulation 14 Isle of Dogs Neighbourhood Plan

Thank you for consulting Transport for London (TfL) on the draft Isle of Dogs Neighbourhood Plan. The following comments represent the views of officers in Transport for London Commercial Development Planning Team (TfL CD Planning) in its capacity as a significant landowner only and does not form part of the TfL corporate response. Our colleagues in Borough Planning will provide a separate response regarding TfL wide operational and land use planning/transport policy matters.

TfL CD Planning supports the principle objectives of the draft Neighbourhood Plan, which will be in place over the next 15 years, however we have the following comments to make.

ES1 – Use of Empty Sites

We acknowledge and support the objective of this policy, however we would recommend that the wording of this is amended to read “*developers will be encouraged to release empty sites in their possession for temporary community uses*” in place of “*should*” as it is not always possible or feasible to free up sites for short term ‘meanwhile’ uses, particularly where they are located in areas subject to complex operational interfaces.

Site Specific Allocations

Whilst we acknowledge that the Neighbourhood Plan does not propose any strategic site allocations within it, we would draw your attention to the fact that we have been undertaking a review of our entire portfolio of landholdings and have identified a number of sites within the Neighbourhood Area as having the potential to come forward for development in the future; these include land associated/adjacent to Mudchute, Crossharbour and Island Gardens DLR stations (site plans are attached). We would therefore welcome any further discussions regarding the optimisation of these sites going forward.

We expect to respond to any future planning policy consultations accordingly. Should you wish to further discuss any of the points raised or the development of the sites mentioned, please contact us via the above details.

Yours faithfully,



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