

Welcome to the  
**Just Space Community Conference  
on the Further Alterations to the  
London Plan (FALP)**

Saturday 15 March 2014, 10am -  
4.30pm

# What is the Plan?

- A strategic document made by the Mayor
- Borough plans (33\*) must be in general conformity with it
- Part of the “development plan” to be taken into account in granting planning permissions
- NOT a financial/budget plan
- Links with other strategies – housing, transport (TfL), Economic Development (LEP), Culture and
  - children and young people,
  - health inequalities and food
  - climate change
  - air quality, noise and waste

\*Mayoral Development Corporations have some or all Borough powers so may also make local plans. (Only LLDC so far).

# Strengths and weaknesses

- Valuable to Londoners to have a plan
- Can discipline and constrain boroughs
- Has formal public consultation, hearings
- Has been influenced over the years by community inputs

BUT

- Very strongly influenced by property-owning and developer interests
- London Assembly influence is weak
- Mayor has discretion to reject Inspector's recommendations
- Relationship with surrounding regions very weak
- Like all UK plans, implementation is highly 'flexible'

# How to read it

- “Policies” (tinted) are most important
- Supporting text less so
- Policies normally cover
  - strategy
  - planning decisions
  - borough plan preparation
- Don’t ignore tables, annexes
- May need to consult supporting documents – see [justspace.org.uk](http://justspace.org.uk)

## Ensuring equal life chances for all

### POLICY 3.1 ENSURING EQUAL LIFE CHANCES FOR ALL

#### Strategic

- A The Mayor is committed to ensuring equal life chances for all Londoners. Meeting the needs and expanding opportunities for all Londoners – and where appropriate, addressing the barriers to meeting the needs of particular groups and communities – is key to tackling the huge issue of inequality across London.

#### Planning decisions

- B Development proposals should protect and enhance facilities and services that meet the needs of particular groups and communities. Proposals involving loss of these facilities without adequate justification or provision for replacement should be resisted.

#### LDF preparation

- C In preparing DPDs, boroughs should engage with local groups and communities to identify their needs and make appropriate provision for them, working with neighbouring authorities (including on a sub-regional basis) as necessary.
- D Boroughs may wish to identify significant clusters of specific groups (such as those who experience particular disadvantage and social exclusion) and consider whether appropriate provision should be made to meet their particular needs such as cultural facilities, meeting places or places of worship.

- 3.2 London’s diversity is one of its greatest strengths and one of the things its residents most appreciate about living

**CHAPTER ONE**  
**CONTEXT AND STRATEGY:**  
**Population, household and**  
**employment projections for FALP**

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# What prompted the GLA to propose these alterations?

London population 2001 (revised):7.34 mil

London population 2011 (Census):8.17 mil

= 83,000 pa

increase

BUT

London Plan 2011 – 2031 assumes 51,000pa

AND

new GLA trend projection 2011 – 2036 suggests 76,000 pa, and over 100k in earlier years....

# What is proposed to be altered?

**'Context'** looks forward to 2036.

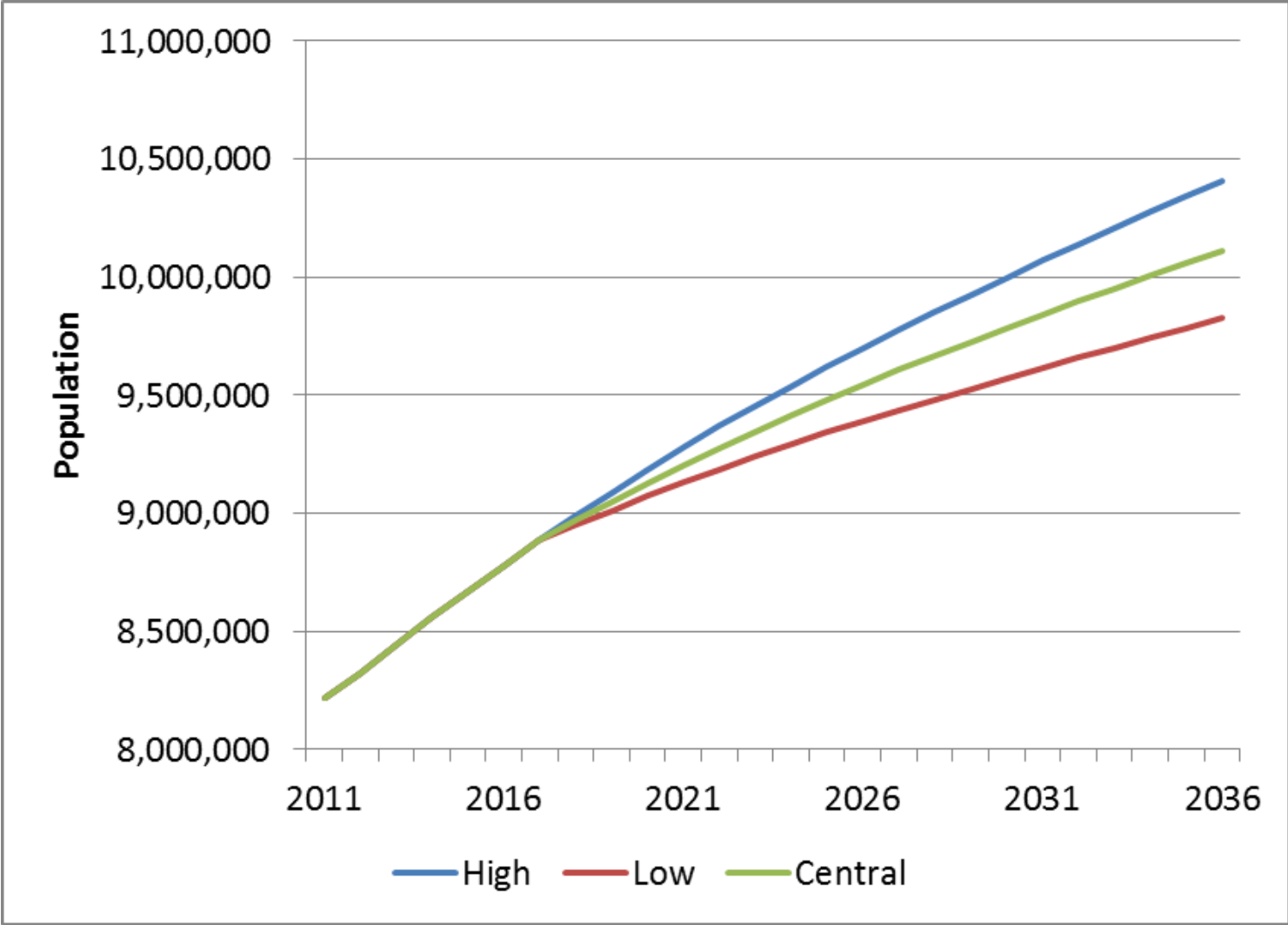
**'A growing population'** because of .....the 2011 census figures  
and the new population projections.

**'A changing population'** .....changing age structure  
of the projected population.

**'More households'** ..... the new household  
projections.

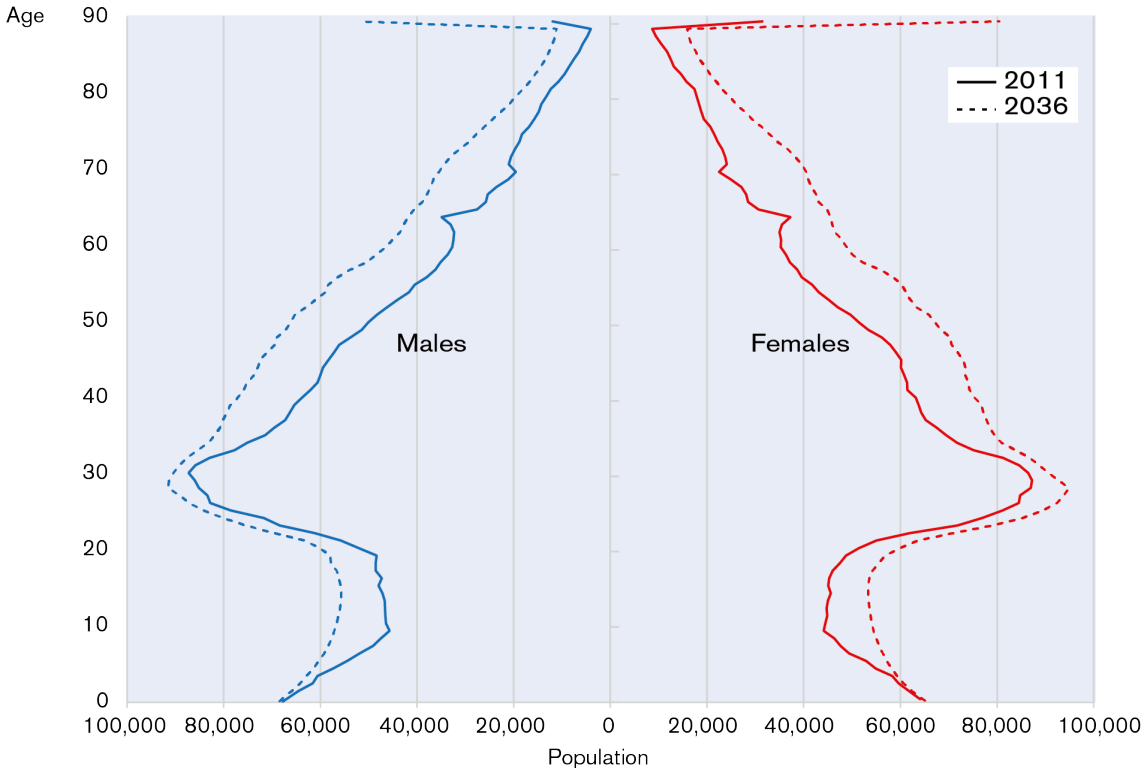
**'A growing and ever changing economy'** updated.

# Projection/Scenario results





# Age structure change 2011 - 2036

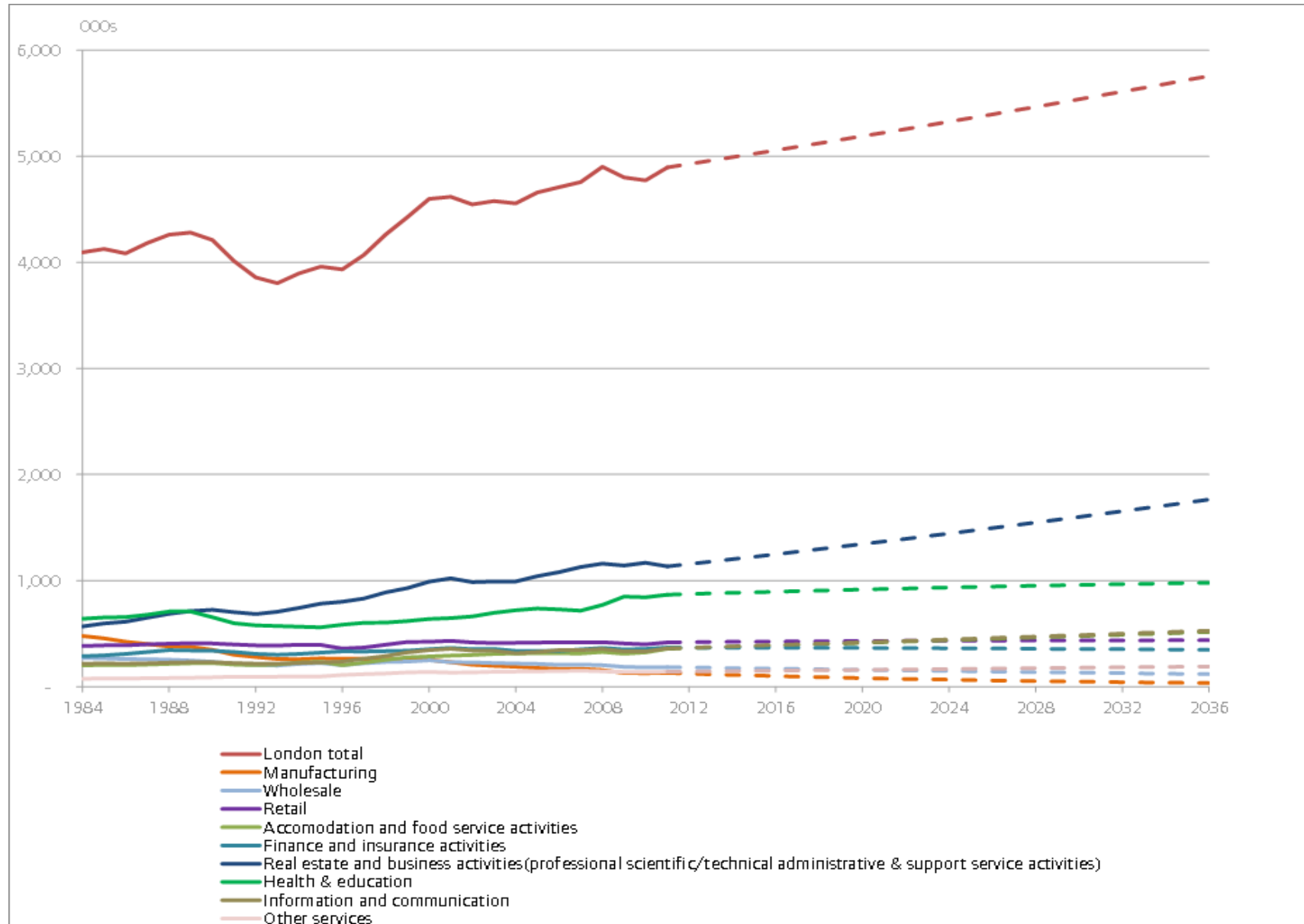


source: Greater London Authority, 2013 round of population projections

## **Purpose of the Further Alterations**

- The ‘London expression of the National Planning Policy Framework’;
- Incorporate the Mayor’s 2020 Vision document;
- Provide robust, interim planning framework until the long term implications of these are clear;
- Minor changes in terms of fact; changes in national policy; support for the Mayor’s Housing and other strategies and take on board relevant advice.

# London's employment growth



# How to comment/object

- Deadline 5.00pm Thursday 10 April
  - post to reach City Hall or email [mayor@london.gov.uk](mailto:mayor@london.gov.uk) with 'Further alterations to the London Plan' in the subject box.
  - details via [justspace.org.uk](http://justspace.org.uk)
- You can comment ONLY on the alterations – the blue
- Submissions can be short but should
  - say who you are / your group
  - explain your objection, give Policy & para numbers
  - back up with numbers if possible **and stories**
  - specify the **changes you want to text and policies**
- Your submission will be public
- please send a copy to Just Space so we can put on our web site [richardlee50@gmail.com](mailto:richardlee50@gmail.com)

~~proactively~~ the changing roles of centres, especially those with surplus retail and office floorspace, considering the scope for consolidating and strengthening ~~them~~ centres identified as being in decline by encouraging seeking to focus a wider range of services;; promoting diversification, particularly through high density, residential led, mixed use re-development; and improving environmental quality; ~~facilitating~~ site assembly, including through the Compulsory Purchase process and revising the extent and/or flexibility for non-A1 retail uses in

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# Timetable

- Examination in Public (EiP= hearings) planned for (August or) September 2104.
- 10 April: planning inspector starts reviewing submissions
- *?date* June: inspector's draft list of "matters and participants"
- *?date* we can make comments and objections on the draft
- *?date* list of matters & participants (programme)
- Opportunity for those who submitted in April to submit fresh statements, responding to the Inspector's "matters" and questions, before the EiP opens
- EiP itself, after which inspector reports to Mayor
- The intention is that the FALP is published (i.e. adopted) by March 2015 incorporating changes the Mayor accepts.