

Draft Further Alterations to the London Plan:

Issues of concern to the London Forum:

- Meeting London's housing needs
- Transport Strategy and Economic Development Strategy are out of date
- Infrastructure requirements not clear
- Population and household forecasts need unpacking, including assumptions about changing household size

London's Places:

- Duty to cooperate
- Olympic legacy
- Outer London – dependence on the car and flexible approach to car parking standards
- Affordable workspace – Outer, Inner and Central London – impact of redevelopment
- Opportunity Areas – increasing densities – no justification for exceeding the top of the appropriate density range – need to meet target of 95% of developments within appropriate density range
- Town centres – scope for/likely contribution of increased housing densities not clear
- Role of local/neighbourhood centres in supporting lifetime neighbourhoods – greater support needed
- Lack of a strategy to support medium-sized centres
- Release of Strategic Industrial Areas – scope not clear
- Open space – need more support.

London's People

- London's housing requirements – can they be met?

- Quality and design of housing – include basements (see also sustainability issues)
- Density – abuse of the density matrix – failure to meet Key performance indicator target
- Meeting the needs of older households
- Affordable housing
- Social infrastructure – need for sequential approach for disposal
- Greater clarity about local social infrastructure

London's Economy

- Forecast need for office space – should reflect recent trends for reduced space/worker
- Need for small offices/affordable work space
- Offices are a key town centre use
- Importance of pubs – especially at neighbourhood/social cohesion level

London's Response to Climate Change:

- Sustainable Design and Construction – apply to basements
- Electricity and gas supply – new infrastructure
- Adaptation - Surface water flood risk
- Waste

London's Transport:

London's Living Space and Places

- Strengthen role of neighbourhood centres
- Tall buildings must make a positive contribution, not just avoid unacceptable harm.

- Air quality
- Role of Blue Ribbon network