

Full Council, 30 January 2018

Agenda item 14.3 – Amendment in the name of Cllr Jim Tierney

Administration Motion in the name of Cllr Melvin Cohen - The London Mayor's Draft London Plan is bad for Barnet and bad for London

Delete all and replace with (additions in bold):

Council **notes Cllr Melvin Cohen's** grave reservations about the content of the London Mayor's Draft London Plan and its implications for Barnet.

Council **notes Cllr Cohen's view** that "it is another example of this Mayor imposing inner London solutions on outer London problems".

Council does not share his view, and wishes to point out that Barnet Council and other Conservative Groups have consistently asked the Mayor to take action to increase the number of affordable homes.

Council notes that the draft London Plan:

- **Will increase housing to 65,000 new homes a year without building on the green belt, and with no net loss of green space**
- **Strengthens requirements for all new homes to meet high quality and safety standards, including minimum space standards**
- **Emphasises the importance of good design when building at higher densities that we all agree is needed**
- **Means it is homeowners, not developers, who can apply to build on their gardens – something that they have always been able to do with the right planning permission – but now any green space lost must be replaced by the same amount of green within the development or right next to it**
- **Removes outdated constraints and rigid density guidelines to give a significant boost to the number of new and affordable homes given planning permission**
- **Says boroughs should set out requirements for much needed family sized housing for low cost rent – in stark contrast to Boris Johnson's plans that made no mention of targets for family sized affordable housing.**

Council calls on the Leader of the Council and the Leader of the Opposition to write to the Mayor of London welcoming the draft London Plan.

[Under the relevant FCPR I request that my motion is voted on at the meeting.]