

Enclosed is a presentation delivered by Jules Pipe (Deputy Mayor for Planning, Regeneration and Skills) and Gerard Burgess (Senior Strategic Planner, GLA) at agenda item 5 (The London Plan) for the West London Economic Prosperity Board held on Wednesday 21 September 2016 at London Councils

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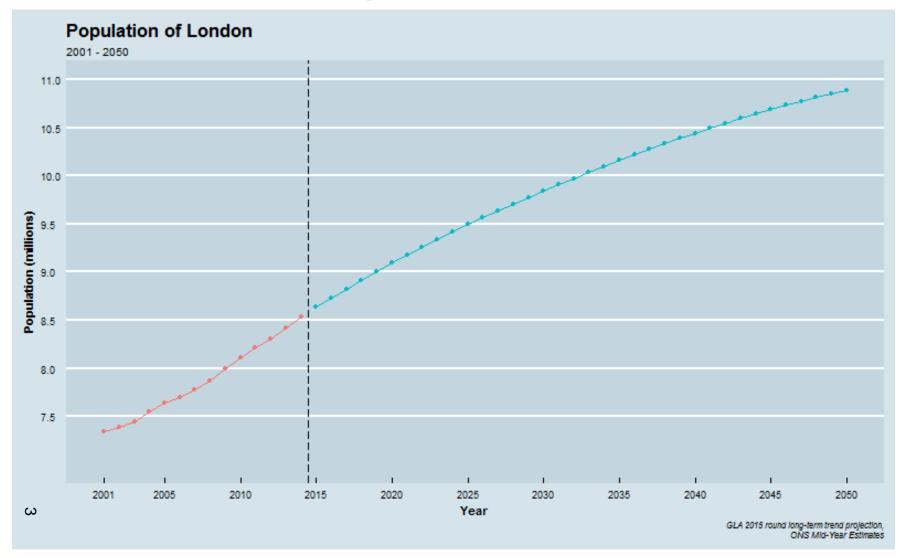
Key priorities:

- Housing and affordable housing
- Transport and infrastructure
- Making London safer
- Pro-business and culture
- Action on air quality
- Setting up Skills for Londoners
- Tackling low pay
- Challenging gender inequality
- Making cycling and walking safer
- Making London fairer, open and accessible to all



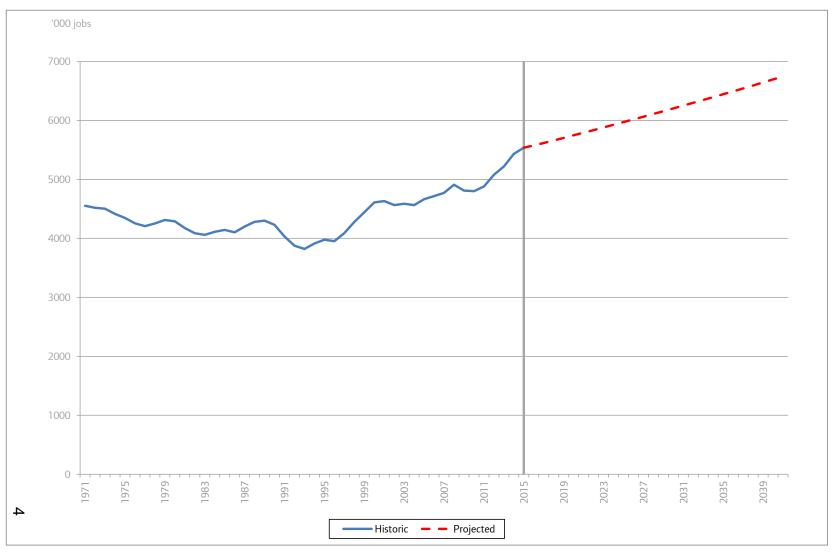
London Plan: drivers of change

Population projected to grow from 8.6 mll in 2015 to 10.5 mll in 2041 (average of 72,000 per annum)



London Plan: drivers of change

Employment projected to grow from 5.5 mll in 2015 to 6.7 mll in 2041 (46,000 per annum)



Manifesto policy topics: economic

Prevent the <u>loss of business space</u>, by working with local authorities to stop the excessive conversion of commercial space under permitted development rights.

Strengthen planning protections for small industrial and creative workspaces.

Promote the provision of small business and start-up premises in housing and commercial developments through the London Plan.

Deliver new spaces for <u>small</u> <u>businesses</u>, the <u>creative</u> industries, <u>artists</u> and the <u>fashion</u> industry within new residential and mixed-use developments.

Improve <u>connectivity</u>, making it a priority to tackle London's 'notspots', ensuring better access to public-sector property for digital infrastructure.

Protect London's <u>live music venues</u>, <u>clubs</u> and <u>pubs</u> by introducing an 'Agent for Change' rule so new developments next to existing venues meet soundproofing costs.

Manifesto policy topics: housing

Support councils to enforce clear, new rules to maximise the affordable housing in new developments, with greater transparency around viability assessments, and the option to set local affordable housing targets.

Support 'tenure-blind' development, avoiding the use of 'poor doors', so that the access and communal areas for affordable housing are indistinguishable from those serving other homes

Set clear guidelines for which developments the Mayor will 'call in', including where planning has stalled, and where opportunities to deliver more new or affordable homes are being missed.

Retain in the London Plan targets for all new homes to meet <u>Lifetime Homes</u> standards and 10 per cent of new homes to be <u>wheelchair</u> accessible.

Exercise 'use it or lose it' powers to make sure developers who have planning permission build homes and do not land-bank.

Amend the London Plan to give greater protection for residents affected by large-scale <u>basement excavation</u> works.

Manifesto policy topics: environment

Restore London's <u>air quality</u> to legal and safe levels, with action to make travel greener and <u>protecting the green belt</u>.

Strengthen protections for open spaces within the London Plan, including playing fields, Metropolitan Open Land, and our Sites of Importance for Local Nature Conservation and nature reserves.

Embark on a major tree-planting programme across London, in partnership with businesses and the public sector, with a particular focus on schools and colleges.

Complete the <u>Thames Path</u>, working with boroughs, landowners and business.

Commit London to an ambitious target of becoming a <u>zero carbon</u> <u>city</u> by 2050.

Lead on reducing the city's <u>waste</u> <u>footprint</u>, working to increase recycling and cut the amount London sends to landfill.

Promote initiatives that <u>reduce</u> water consumption in London, including the roll out of, and more public information about water metering.

Manifesto policy topics: transport

Make <u>cycling and walking safer</u>, and continue the <u>Cycle Superhighway</u>
<u>Programme</u>, and deliver more <u>cycle</u>
<u>storage</u> and parking

Plan for the long term – securing

<u>Crossrail 2, Bakerloo line and London</u>

<u>Overground extensions as well as new river crossings, and move to discussions about <u>Crossrail 3</u> and new orbital links</u>

Ensure London's transport system is <u>accessible</u> to all users, with the next fleet of buses designed with sufficient space for wheelchair users, and a more ambitious approach to <u>step-free access</u> in London Underground and TfL-run stations.

Maintain the <u>Congestion Charge</u> at its current level, support <u>Car Clubs</u> and introduce <u>Clean Bus Corridors</u>.

Work with businesses, local authorities and freight companies to reduce the number of large lorries on the city's roads, particularly at the busiest times.

Put spare TfL land to better use, while building affordable and market homes, as well as commercial space, generating a long-term and secure revenue stream.

Support <u>new aviation capacity</u> for London, backing a second runway at <u>Gatwick</u>

London Plan - Timescales

Informal consultation, iterative policy development, research: autumn/winter 2016/17

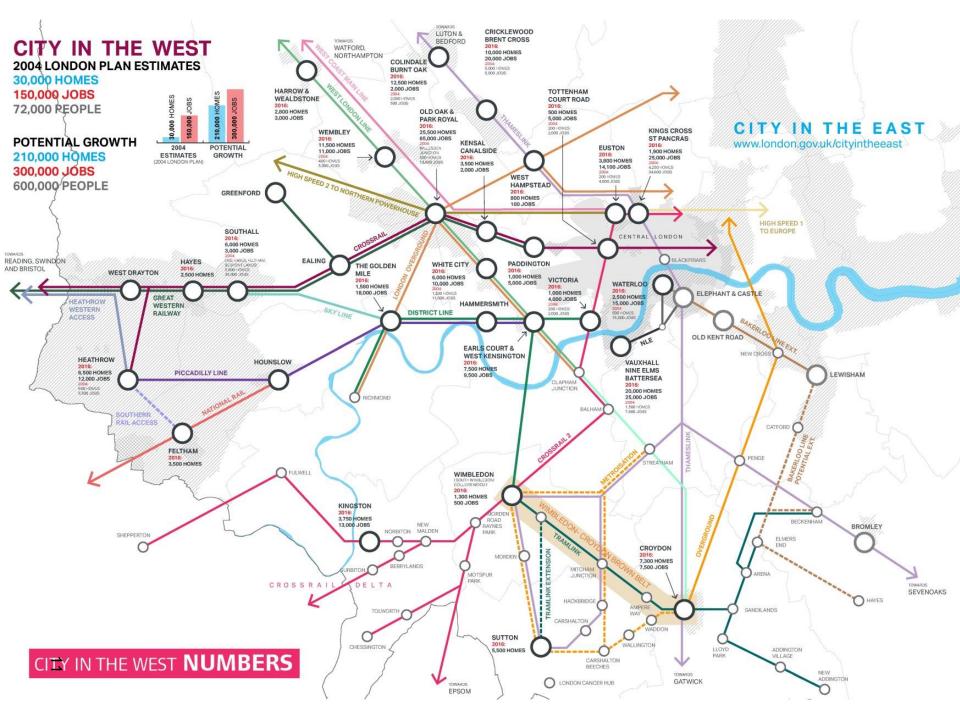
SHLAA, viability assessment, policy drafting: spring/summer 2017

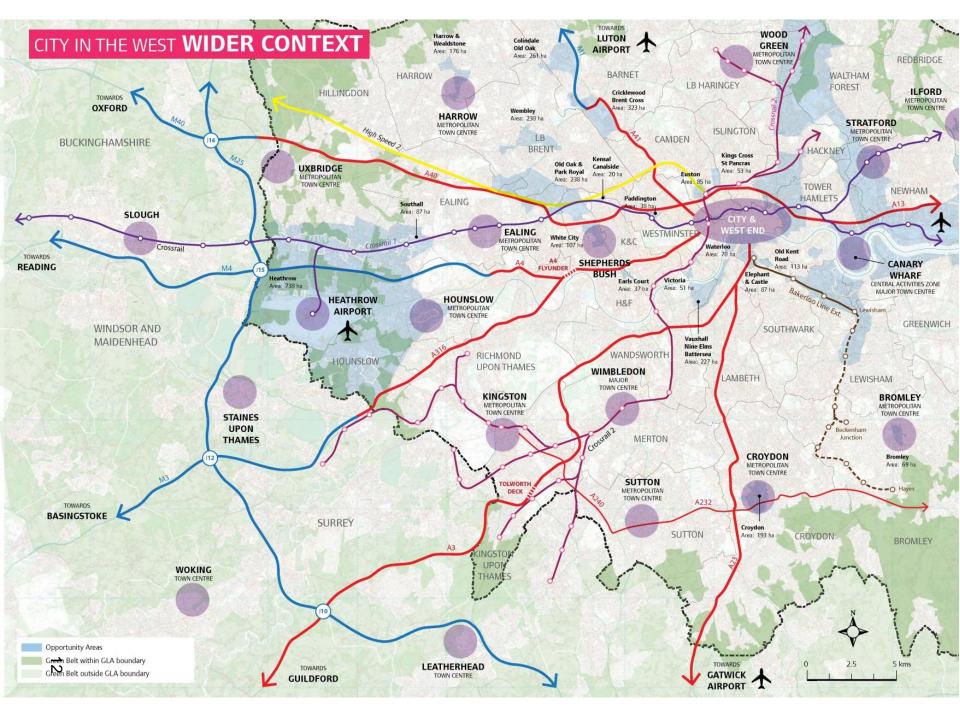
Consultation on full draft: autumn 2017

Examination in Public: summer/autumn 2018

Adoption/publication: summer/autumn 2019

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Mayoral priorities on skills

"making sure businesses and Londoners get the skills they need to succeed"

Skills for Londoners

Improving careers IAG

Establishing a construction academy scheme

Creating high quality apprenticeships

Ensuring more responsive provision incl. via the Area Review

Encouraging take up of Learner Loans

Supporting those with health conditions to develop new skills

Developing a tech talent pipeline

Securing a skills devolution deal

Skills devolution: timeline

March 2014: LEP Growth Deal

New levers and influence over skills to "improve public service provision, drive new growth and secure better outcomes for London"

March 2015: Budget

"Government is devolving further powers to the Mayor of London including over skills."

Sept 2015: London Govt. Devolution Proposition

"The Mayor, London's boroughs and LEP are ambitious about reforming London's post-16 skills and education system."

Sept 2016: Ongoing negotiations with government

No formal deal signed but London is being treated as a shadow devolution area

Skills devolution: ask

In the London Proposition, London government asked for:

- Devolution of adult skills funding (19+)
- Devolution of 16-19 skills funding
- Ring fencing of unspent apprenticeship levy contributions by London employers to support apprenticeship creation
- Devolution of careers budgets and responsibilities
- Cooperation with govt. to promote take up of Advanced Learner Loans

Skills devolution: offer

Post CSR, Govt. officials indicated that any skills devolution deal for London would be along similar lines to those agreed with other devolution areas, i.e.:

IN SCOPE

- Adult Education Budget:
 - Adult Skills Budget (excl. Apprenticeships)
 - Community Learning
 - Discretionary Learning Support

OUT OF SCOPE

- Apprenticeship levy
- Advanced Learning Loans
- 16-19 funding
- Careers

It would be subject to **readiness conditions** (incl. sharing financial risk)
It would include **restrictions** on how the funding could be used
It may not be accompanied by any **administrative budget**

Skills devolution: next steps

London is revisiting its initial asks via a twin track approach:

- 1.Renewed joint devolution asks across the board from the Mayor and London Councils to HMT, seeking a deal in the Autumn Statement
- 2. Skills responsibilities to be transferred as part of the additional responsibilities to be taken on alongside the localisation of Business Rates.

