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For Information	Wards Affected: ALL
<b>DRAFT REVISED LONDON PLAN – PUBLIC CONSULTATION BY THE MAYOR OF LONDON</b>	

## 1.0 Summary

- 1.1 This report explains that the Mayor of London's draft new London Plan has been published for public consultation. Officers will provide a verbal report to Committee and will circulate a brief summary of the key issues to Members.

## 2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That the Planning Committee notes the key points made by the Mayor in proposing changes in strategic planning in London.

## 3.0 Detail

### Introduction

- 3.1 On Monday October 12th 2009 the Mayor of London published a draft revised London Plan. This proposes a new spatial development strategy and it is one of three key documents (alongside the Mayor's Transport Strategy and Economic Development Strategy) that set out his strategy for development in London. As well as being the overall strategic plan for London, providing the strategic context for Brent's own plans (Local Development Framework) and for the Mayor's own decisions on strategic planning applications, it also legally forms part of the development plan for each London borough and has to be taken into account in determining planning applications. A full copy can be viewed on the Mayor's website at:

<http://www.london.gov.uk/mayor/publications/2009/05/london-plan-.jsp>

- 3.2 It is important that the Council responds to the consultation, either in support of aspects of the Plan that will benefit the borough or with objections where conflicts with Brent's objectives have been identified.

It is intended that a report setting out Brent's proposed response be brought to Planning Committee for approval on 10<sup>th</sup> December.

#### **4.0 Financial Implications**

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report, although a review of London-wide planning policy is likely to require a review of Brent local development plan policy, with its associated costs, in the longer term.

#### **5.0 Legal Implications**

- 5.1 The London Plan, called a Spatial Development Strategy, forms part of the development plan for the borough and must be taken into account in determining planning applications. When a revised London Plan is adopted, estimated to be early 2012, it will mean that Brent's own LDF will have to be in general conformity with it, and may necessitate a review of any Development Plan Documents adopted by Brent by that time. In the meantime the London Plan as adopted in February 2008 remains, along with Brent's UDP, the statutory basis for determining planning applications.

#### **6.0 Diversity Implications**

- 6.1 Full statutory public consultation will be carried out by the Mayor on the review of the London Plan and it is likely that the review will include an Equalities Impact assessment.

#### **Background Papers**

Planning for a Better London, July 2008

The London Plan (Consolidated with Alterations since 2004), Feb 2008

A new plan for London, April 2009

#### **Contact Officers**

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