Note From the Council to the Inspector in Response to Matter 1

In response to the point raised by the Inspector during Matter 1 hearings, regarding where in the Local Plan a complete definition could be found of the terms Agent of Change, Good Growth and Managed Intensification, the Council concede that such terms would benefit from additional signposting within the document. As such, and alongside definitions for Managed Release and Managed Transition for completeness, the following additions to the Glossary section of the Plan are proposed, as minor modifications.

Agent of Change Principle: Denotes that it is the responsibility of any new development (i.e. the agent of change) seeking to locate to an area, to mitigate any adverse impacts from any existing uses. This is to ensure that occupants of the new development are protected from adverse impacts and existing uses are protected from complaint. Similarly, any new development likely to generate adverse impacts (for example a music venue) would need under the principle, to put in place measures to mitigate impacts on any existing development close by.

Good Growth: Growth (and development) that is socially, economically and environmentally sustainable, whereby growth:
- in housing numbers and population is balanced against that of the infrastructure and jobs needed to support it;
- is not at the expense of the environment / resources;
- does not result in compromises in quality; and
- is optimised in relation to strengths and opportunities, for the benefit of new and existing residents.
Good Growth forms the overarching Objective 3 of this plan, and is established in policy by S1 1c).

Managed Intensification: is the [conditional] process of intensifying employment uses on identified areas of designated employment land, in accordance with the criteria in policy J2:3b, such that capacity is increased but the spatial footprint or spatial impact of employment land is reduced (ensuring no net loss of functionality), as part of a plan-led and managed approach to employment land that supports economic growth.

Managed Release: is the [conditional] process of releasing identified areas of designated employment land, in accordance with the criteria in policy J2:3a, as part of a plan-led and managed approach to employment land that supports economic growth.

Managed Transition: is the [conditional] process of managing the transition of identified areas of designated employment land to ‘lighter’ employment generating uses (often from more traditional heavier industries) that are more compatible with residential development, in accordance with the criteria in policy J2:3a, as part of creating a mixed use borough and the securing of employment land that is better aligned with contemporary business needs.