


Response Form for Regulation 19 Consultation.

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|  | Local Plan Publication Stage Response Form | Ref: (For official use only) |
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**Name of the Local Plan to which this representation
relates:**

Newham Draft Submission
Local Plan
Abbey Mill N7 SA1

Privacy Notice

Who we are

London Borough of Newham (LBN) is registered with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) as a 'Data Controller' This privacy notice applies to you ('the service user') and LBN ('the Council'). The Council takes the privacy of your information very seriously.

This privacy notice relates to our functions relating to the Newham Local Plan Review Consultation (Regulation 19). It also provides additional information that specifically relates to this particular consultation, and should be read together with our [general privacy notice](#), which provides further detail.

What data do we collect and process

We collect your name, contact details, email address, job title and organisation if applicable and demographic equalities data if you choose to share it.

Why we collect your data

The consultation is a requirement of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012. We collect your data so that we can get your views on the legal compliance or soundness of the Local Plan, as well as its compliance with the duty to co-operate.

The lawful basis for processing your data

The lawful basis we use to process your data as set out in UK data protection legislation is:

Article 6 (a) Consent: the individual has given clear consent for us to process their personal data for a specific purpose.

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We will only process personal data where we have consent to do so, and you can withdraw your consent at any time. By submitting your personal data in the response form you are consenting for us to process your data and/or consenting to be added to the database. If added to the database, they can be removed upon request.

You can withdraw your consent at any time.

How we use your data

This data is collected, collated and then submitted to the Secretary of State, who will appoint an Inspector to conduct an independent examination of the Local Plan. Demographic data will be processed anonymously to assess the effectiveness of our consultation.

Where you have consented, your contact details will be added to our consultation database for future consultations and updates on the Examination in Public.

At submission representations will be made public on the council's website, including name of person and organisation if applicable making representation. Other personal information will remain confidential.

Representations, in full, submitted along with the Local Plan, evidence base and documents Submission Draft Newham required by legislation to the Planning Inspectorate and to the person the Secretary of State appoints as the Planning Inspector. Contact details will be made available to the Inspector and Programme Officer so they can contact individuals to participate in the Examination.

Consultation database is stored on Mailchimp and accessed by planning policy team only. Mailchimp stores names and email addresses of those on the consultation database in line with Mailchimp policies, particularly its [data processing addendum](#). Please be aware they may store personal data external to the UK specifically in the USA and/or EU.

Who we will share your data with

We will only share your data with the Planning Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State, the Programme Officer appointed by Newham, and within the planning policy team. Your name and organisation (if applicable) will be published on our website along with representations upon submission. Demographic data is not shared with the Planning Inspector or the Programme Officer.

We will not share your personal information with any other third parties unless you have specifically asked us to, or if we have a legal obligation to do so.

How long we will keep your data

We will keep your data safe and secure for a period of 15 year(s) in line with our retention Schedule. After this time, it will be securely destroyed.

How do we protect your data

We comply with all laws concerning the protection of personal information and have security measures in place to reduce the risk of theft, loss, destruction, misuse or inappropriate disclosure of information. Staff access to information is provided on a need-to-know basis and we have access controls in place to help with this.

See the [Planning Inspectorate Customer Privacy Notice](#) for details on how they keep your data safe and secure.

Know your rights

We process your data in accordance with the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and the Data Protection Act 2018. Find out about your rights at [Your rights – Processing personal data privacy notice – Newham Council](#) or at <https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters/> If you have any queries or concerns relating to data protection matters, please email: dpo@newham.gov.uk

Response Form

For guidance on how to complete this representation form please view the Regulation 19 Consultation Guidance <https://www.newham.gov.uk/planning-development-conservation/newham-local-plan-refresh>.

This form has two parts –

Part A – Personal Details: need only be completed once.

Part B – Your representation(s). Please fill in a separate sheet for each representation you wish to make.

Part A

| 1. Personal Details* | | 2. Agent's Details (if applicable) |
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| <i>*If an agent is appointed, please complete only the Title, Name and Organisation (if applicable) boxes below but complete the full contact details of the agent in 2.</i> | | |
| Title | <input type="text" value="Mr"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| First Name | <input type="text" value="Omarji"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Last Name | <input type="text" value="Ahmed"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Job Title (where relevant) | <input type="text" value="Trustee"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Organisation (where relevant) | <input type="text" value="Madrassah Talimul-Islam"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Address Line 1 | <input type="text" value=""/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Line 2 | <input type="text" value=""/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Line 3 | <input type="text" value=""/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Line 4 | <input type="text" value=""/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Post Code | <input type="text" value=""/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Telephone Number | <input type="text" value=""/> | <input type="text"/> |
| E-mail Address (where relevant) | <input type="text" value=""/> | <input type="text"/> |

Part B – Please use a separate sheet for each representation

Name or Organisation:

3. To which part of the Local Plan does this representation relate? (Please be as specific as possible)

Policy

S11, S12, S13

Implementation Text

Paragraph

455, 456

Policies Map

N7 SA1, Abbey Mills

4. Do you consider the Local Plan is :

4.(1) Legally compliant

Yes

☐

No

X

4.(2) Sound

Yes

☐

No

X

4 (3) Complies with the
Duty to co-operate

Yes

☐

No

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Please tick as appropriate

5. Please give details overleaf of why you consider the Local Plan is not legally compliant or is unsound or fails to comply with the duty to co-operate. Please be as precise as possible.

If you wish to support the legal compliance or soundness of the Local Plan or its compliance with the duty to co-operate, please also use this box to set out your comments.

The Local Plan proposed by the London Borough of Newham does not adequately address the pressing needs of the local community, particularly with regard to religious and communal infrastructure. Below are the reasons why I believe the Local Plan is unsound and may not comply with the duty to co-operate:

1. **Inadequacy of Existing Facilities** The current facilities used by our community are grossly insufficient in meeting the day-to-day requirements of worshippers, particularly women and children. The structure is too small to cater to the diverse needs of our congregation, which restricts participation and inclusivity. A failure to address this in the Local Plan undermines the community's ability to gather for religious and social purposes, which is crucial for fostering community spirit and cohesion.
2. **Failure to Consider Actual Community Needs** The proposal to retain or replace the existing structure with one of a similar size demonstrates a lack of understanding of our growing community's needs. Any replacement facility should be scaled to meet the current and future demands of the congregation. The failure to adequately size the proposed facility makes the plan unsound because it does not address the actual infrastructure needs of our diverse community.
3. **Encouraging Fragmentation of Worshippers** Due to the limitations of the existing facilities, many worshippers are forced to seek alternative locations to practice their religion. This situation weakens the sense of community and belonging that is essential for social cohesion. By not planning for an appropriately sized facility, the Local Plan fails to create an environment where the community can thrive together in a central, inclusive space.
4. **Lack of Diverse Infrastructure in a Diverse Borough** Newham prides itself on being a borough that celebrates and supports diversity. However, this commitment is not reflected in the Local Plan's approach to community infrastructure. The Local Plan does not sufficiently consider the diverse religious and cultural needs of the residents, making it unrepresentative of the borough's values. This lack of incorporation undermines the soundness of the plan, as it does not meet the local community's demand for adequate religious and social facilities.
5. **Failure to Comply with the Duty to Co-operate** In order to comply with the duty to co-operate, the Council must work collaboratively with local communities and ensure that their needs are represented in the Local Plan. The current proposal suggests that sufficient consultation with key stakeholders within the community has not been conducted or acted upon. The failure to address our community's growing need for larger, inclusive facilities suggests a breakdown in the duty to co-operate and an absence of genuine collaboration.

In light of the above points, I believe the Local Plan is unsound as it does not adequately reflect the needs and demands of the local community, particularly with regard to religious infrastructure. Additionally, it fails to incorporate the diverse infrastructure required to support Newham's multicultural population, and it does not comply with the duty to co-operate as per the requirements of the planning process. I urge the Council to reconsider its approach and engage more deeply with local community groups to ensure the Local Plan is more representative, equitable, and inclusive.

(Continue on a separate sheet /expand box if necessary)

6. Please set out the modification(s) you consider necessary to make the Local Plan legally compliant and sound, in respect of any legal compliance or soundness matters you have identified at 5 above. (Please note that non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination). You will need to say why each modification will make the Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

In order to make the Local Plan legally compliant and sound, I propose the following modifications:

1. Collaboration with Stakeholders

- **Proposed Modification:** The Local Plan should explicitly require collaboration between the Council, landowners, and the local community to ensure that any proposed replacement facility is appropriately sized and tailored to meet the actual needs of the community. This should be done through a formalized engagement process, including workshops and consultations with key stakeholders.
- **Reasoning:** Engaging in meaningful collaboration ensures that the final development reflects the needs of the community and benefits all parties involved. This will address the community's growing demands while aligning with the Council's long-term objectives for sustainable development and inclusivity.

2. Needs Assessment for Facilities

- **Proposed Modification:** A policy should be added to the Local Plan requiring a comprehensive needs assessment to be conducted prior to determining the size and scope of any new community or religious facility. This assessment should take into account the demographic trends, current facility use, and future needs of the local population, particularly underrepresented groups such as women, children, and the elderly.
- **Reasoning:** A needs assessment will ensure that any replacement facility is appropriately scaled and fit for purpose. The current policy's one-size-fits-all approach does not account for the dynamic needs of the community. Conducting a needs assessment will ensure that the Local Plan is sound by ensuring it meets the real and evolving needs of the population.

3. Facilities for Disabled and Elderly Members of the Community

- **Proposed Modification:** The Local Plan should include a specific provision for the construction of purpose-built facilities for disabled individuals and socially isolated elderly members of the community. This could include dedicated spaces for community activities, accessible worship areas, and communal gathering spaces.
- **Reasoning:** There is a growing demand for infrastructure that addresses the needs of the elderly and disabled within the community. The current proposal does not adequately reflect this, rendering the plan incomplete and unsound. Modifying the plan to include such provisions would ensure that all members of the community, regardless of physical ability, are supported.

4. Optimizing Land Use for Housing and Community Facilities

- **Proposed Modification:** The policy should be modified to fully explore the potential of the site to deliver both much-needed housing and larger community facilities. Consideration should be given to acquiring privately-owned land adjacent to the site to expand the project, ensuring that both housing and community needs are met. This approach has been successfully implemented in other parts of London and should be adopted in Newham.

- **Reasoning:** The current draft does not make full use of the land's potential, especially for affordable housing and larger community spaces. By acquiring additional land and expanding the scope of the development, the Local Plan can better address housing shortages and support the community's future needs. This will align the plan with broader goals for economic growth and housing provision, making it sound.

5. Economic Growth and Employment Opportunities

- **Proposed Modification:** The Local Plan should integrate specific targets and strategies for utilizing the development to contribute to local economic growth. This includes ensuring the construction sector benefits from the development and creating local employment opportunities, especially for underrepresented groups.
- **Reasoning:** A well-planned development that prioritizes local employment opportunities will foster economic growth in the area. This also helps build stronger community ties by allowing local residents to benefit directly from the development. By aligning the development with economic goals, the plan becomes more holistic and sound.

Conclusion: In summary, these modifications would ensure that the Local Plan is legally compliant and sound by addressing the actual needs of the community, optimizing land use, promoting inclusivity, and contributing to local economic growth. These changes will also ensure that the plan aligns with the values of diversity and sustainability that Newham prides itself on.

(Continue on a separate sheet /expand box if necessary)

Please note In your representation you should provide succinctly all the evidence and supporting information necessary to support your representation and your suggested modification(s). You should not assume that you will have a further opportunity to make submissions.

After this stage, further submissions may only be made if invited by the Inspector, based on the matters and issues he or she identifies for examination.

7. If your representation is seeking a modification to the plan, do you consider it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s)?

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No, I do not wish to participate in hearing session(s)

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Yes, I wish to participate in hearing session(s)

Please note that while this will provide an initial indication of your wish to participate in hearing session(s), you may be asked at a later point to confirm your request to participate.

8. If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please outline why you consider this to be necessary:

Please note the Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate in hearing session(s). You may be asked to confirm your wish to participate when the Inspector has identified the matters and issues for examination.

9. Do you wish to be notified about:

a. the submission of the local plan for independent examination

Yes ☒ No ☐

b. the publication of the Inspector's report

Yes ☒ No ☐

c. the adoption of the Local Plan

Yes ☒ No ☐

10. Would you like to be added to our consultation database to be notified about future planning policy consultations?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Please return to London Borough of Newham by 5pm 6th September 2024

Sara Chiong

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To: Local Plan
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Regards,
Omarji Ahmed