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Dear Planning Team

The NEWHAM faith group congregation consists of many mosques, who recently last week resorted to engaging amongst themselves to discuss the draft local plan impact the Abbey Mill N7 SA1 users will have on Newham faith communities; therefore, consultative comments of the community had been compiled and collated on the attached from the Newham citizen faith congregation.

Discussion from the brief hundreds of documents policy submission containing over approx 340 pages with inadequate time frame upload within a very short period of time.

Additionally there had been no documents for the bilingual communities.

These comments are from the hard-to-reach grass-roots communities who find the cooperative structure of engagement too complex to understand and find it very insidious as it is designed for the professionally motivated interest group section of the communities.

Considering the needs by the Newham Mosque Faith citizen Assemblies congregation and the overall needs of the communities to facilitate, the purpose-built mosques for the male and female with housing, some retail.


It is desirable that solution-orientated engagement with the site owners who are working in interest of its members and should have been notified rather than draft proposal decided by others who do not have ownership to faith community interest.

Westham has exceptionally very good transport links for ease of accessibility for the wide and varied section of the Newham communities.

Some interest group may have had involvement in drafting the plan but had not considered the wider impact it will have on existing community users of the said site now and in future demand within town planning.

Therefore, take these Newham faith leaders self engaged congregation comments into consideration in to your draft local plan.

Response Form for Regulation 19 Consultation.

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

Newham Draft Submission
Local Plan

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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)

**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.*

Title	<input type="text" value="Mr"/>	<input type="text"/>
First Name	<input type="text" value="Imtiaz"/>	<input type="text"/>
Last Name	<input type="text" value="Khankhara"/>	<input type="text"/>
Job Title (where relevant)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Organisation (where relevant)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Address Line 1	<input type="text"/>	<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"/>	<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 associated policies on N7SA1

Implementation Text

Paragraph

Policies Map

4. Do you consider the Local Plan is :

4.(1) Legally compliant

Yes

No

No

4.(2) Sound

Yes

No

No

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

Yes

No

No

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.

Local Plan Title : Abbey Mill N7 SA1

Failure to Co operate and engage with land owner and members of the grassroot faith communities who regularly, use this Land as only place of worship in Westham and Stratford and from within in Newham.

As a user of this Abbey Mill site I am impacted by equality Act 2010 and my right to Social Well Being Act.

Local Authority Study suggests adjoining area to Three Mill and Manor Road Area suggests deficiency in place of worship, but need study fails to define currently in use as a mosque at Westham Abbey Mill N7 SA1.

Westham is situated in proximity to the Three Mill as an existing place of worship in use within catchment to the Three Mills and Manor Road and Westham station as a community opportunity area.

The whole wider densely populated area is currently deficient in purpose-built mosques, but the local plan had allocated only small-scale faith use at Abbey Mill Site despite evidence-based needs.

Major convergence taking place with in Newham, tall tower housing development buildings in surrounding currently under construction and future proposals of housing development needs throughout Newham.

Convergence impact is inevitable, it will add additional pressure on the existing social infrastructure, which is already far reaching for the vast majority of community residents who do not have faith mosque facilities (social infrastructure) in the borough.

There is already planning consent awarded to the Tall Tower housing construction underway which is obscuring Grade 2 listed pumping station adjoining westham Station.

As to Abbey Mill site grade 2 listed pumping station is obscured from greenery - westham station - Channel Sea building and tall tower currently under construction so it is not of the relevance to visual impact as an evidence, but planning design mechanism can be taken in to consideration when site owners are given opportunity.

As to the opportunity area of Stratford tourist shopping attraction and housing convergence growth.

Abbey Mill is strategically located to serve business employees of the catchment town centre of DLR Stratford Dockland to Custom House and Canning Town.

With a growing Muslim community and a very good transport link.

I myself and the community will be denied the opportunity to enjoy much-needed purpose-built large facilities at Abbey Mill Mosque as a future place of worship for spiritual well-being retreat for a healthier mental mind.

Therefore, it is imperative that the draft local plan reflect this need of the vast majority of the Muslim population, as there are no alternative larger sites available in Newham to cater to the needs.

Fridays and Eid Prayers are oversubscribed as people from far within Newham Borough regularly utilise places of existing faith in Eastham - Forest Gate - Manor Park Area.

Therefore, the draft proposal for Abbey Mill N7 SA1 should be reconsidered on the local plan land use for larger Faith Facilities, similar capacity in nature to Regents Park's existence at West London Borough.

Owners are proposing for the land use at Abbey Mill with Larger Mosque with additional steps to accommodate with some housing for Newham East London too, and land use on planning should be allocated for Abbey Mill N7 SA1 local plan.

Once it is developed due to the very good transport link and greenway cycle and walk route, it will be a focal point to borough for diversity vision (admiration) not only for the Muslim community, but for the tourists and visitors to the international city of London, which will add economic growth and employment for the borough and surrounding area.

Westham and Stratford City are already adapted to the international standard, and the Abbey Mill site will further enhance the diversity image nationally and internationally.

Therefore, I object to the draft land use proposal on the local plan proposal, and it should be reconsidered to allow a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to have this site allocated to a large social community infrastructure mosque with much-needed housing as well.

The private landowners of the site are aspiring to redevelop the Abbey Mill N7 SA1 land site, and there has been no engagement to fulfill this private land use aspiration to be used by the local residents community of Newham.

In addition, the local plan had outlined Key Route through to the prime land location, and I strongly object as this proposal is impacting the future use of this privately owned land facility for the use by the community.

Additionally, it will devalue this land site and reward other cooperative land sites surrounding (Abbey Mill) at the expense of privately owned land if the key route is not contested.

LA town centre planners failed to approach for the feasibility of this key route for an alternative negotiated approach with the owner, which I had enquired about as I hold interest in this site as a Newham resident. The community is currently using the site as a social infrastructure.

As to flooding risk assessment, it is for the Thames Water responsibility to put in place adequate flood defence mechanisms.

There has never been an occurrence of flooding at this land site while ownership of privately owned land

Modern scientific architecture is well equipped to deliver design models if deemed necessary.

Newham had already allocated purpose-built religious sites to other faith communities within the borough of Newham to enjoin.

Mechanism of Citizen Assembly engagement approach for local Plan development would not be independent as it's citizen are made up of beneficiary of Section 106 development, rather wider community and land owners would be appropriate channel of engagement in formation of local plan design for this site.

The private sector is meant to promote diversity and exercise the Equality Act, which I believe on merits it fails to meet equality assessment on the local plan draft proposal.

Public sector equality requires public bodies to have due regard to the need, advance equality of the opportunity, and foster good relations between the community and people of all backgrounds when carrying out activities.

I believe the local plan is impacting equality act 2010 and well being Act for myself and the wider community.

Abbey Mill catchment enjoys 0 (zero) Muslim community social infrastructure, enjoined by other boroughs of the vibrant city of London.

There had been extensive policy proposals by external stakeholders and faith partners conducted in 2015 by the university in conjunction with RTP1 to ensure that planning challenges faced by the faith community should be part of town centre planning proposals recommended by RTP1 to town centre planners to adopt with care and due diligence.

(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.

The pandemic has highlighted that a faith space isn't just a place where people go to worship.

Most places of worship have opened up

Provided Funerals and volunteers and community engagement and p other activities.

Provision of purpose built facilities, services and future need should be considered to accommodate large growing muslim population census 2021 approx 122.000.

- The faith community is very varied with varied needs and characteristics and very diverse no facility exist female sex to enjoy spiritual needs due to the lack of large land facilities available in newham needs.

There is a need for mutual specific types of spaces facilities required to perform large funeral Prayers

members of community.

- Stratford and Westham Neighbourhood has a huge for purpose built Mosque and and much needed Housing at Abbey Mill Inc multi use mosque facilities for

places of worship fir male and female, in particular the Muslim

Muslik community who require space throughout the Day on Friday abd Eid Prayers and ramdhan,therefore modern capacity mosque is required exist in other borough despite lesser population in city of London.

Faith groups are primarily located

between Barking and Romford Road – lots of people live in those spaces but not many facilities at Stratford abd westham with good transport link so spill over on to existing mosques during Fridays and Eid and weekdays can be minimised with in these boundaries.

- local communities travel 30-60 minutes on average to reach places of worship abd find that there are no space available on Fridays and during celebration days.

- Many deferent types of community facility are being re-purposed and used by faith groups not just for worship but to host a range of community services and activities. Education spaces have been fully utilised.there are oversubscribed children evening islamic education at every single exsiting mosques in Newham being used 6 days a week in evening and weekends.

Finally thee had been no bilingual literature available for hard to reach section of community.

(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

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:

I hold faith community interest as I represent faith community at Safer Neighbourhood Team on behalf of the community and many faith members attend these meetings.

I rely on community support for the attendance of faith community meetings part of my outreach to faith community engagement

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