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Attn Mr Robottom

Please find attached the Deadline 1 Submission from the London Borough of Newham in relation to the Application by Transport for London (TfL) for an Order Granting Development Consent.

The documents are as set out within the covering letter hereby attached.


Annex 3 - The Statement of Common Ground between Transport for London and the 'Host Boroughs' (London Borough of Newham and Royal Borough of Greenwich) and London Borough of Tower Hamlets has not been provided with this email. Despite requesting a final draft from TfL, none has been provided at the current time. The Council expects that the latest agreed draft to be submitted to you under separate cover by the applicant.

I trust all else is in order, but if you have any further requests please don't hesitate to contact me on the details provided below.

Kind regards,

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**Planning Act 2008 (as amended)
Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (as amended)**

Application by Transport for London (TfL) for an Order Granting Development Consent for the proposed Silvertown Tunnel

I write in response to your letters dated 18th October & 9th of November 2016 which set out the examination timetable, procedure and notification of hearings and requested further information from the London Borough of Newham ('the Council').

In accordance with Item 5 of the Timetable for Examination of the application (Deadline 1) due 15th of November 2016, please find attached with this correspondence the following documents:

- Local Impact Report of the London Borough of Newham (Annex 1)
- Written Representation of the London Borough of Newham (Annex 2)
- Statement of Common Ground between Transport for London and the 'Host Boroughs' (London Borough of Newham and Royal Borough of Greenwich) and London Borough of Tower Hamlets (Annex 3)
- Responses to the Examining Authority's First Written Questions (Annex 4)

In addition to these documents, further matters requested within Deadline 1 are set out under headings below.

Comments on Revised Application Drawings:

The Council acknowledges Examining Authority's decision to accept the following additional and amended documentation from the applicant:

- Update Report October 2016

- Updated Code of Construction Practice
- Updated Environmental Statement – Chapter 6 – Air Quality
- Updated Environmental Statement Appendix 16.A – Flood Risk Assessment
- Updated Environmental Statement Appendix 6B Model Verification V2
- Updated Environmental Statement Drawing 6.10 Local NO2 Results
- Updated Environmental Statement Drawing 14.6

The Council does not wish to make any particular comments on these documents in isolation, but can confirm that each of these documents were considered in preparation of the Written Representation, Local Impact Report, Statement of Common Ground, and responses to the Examining Authority’s First Written Questions (Annexes 1-4 attached).

Notifications in respect of hearings and the Accompanied Site Inspection

With respect to Item 7 of the Timetable for Examination of the Application, the Council welcomes the opportunity to host the Examining Authority, Applicant, and other interested parties at site inspections in the Borough. To that end, a schedule of suggested locations and justifications is provided in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Suggested Locations		
No.	Location	Justification
1	Northern Portal Site, Encompassing Silvertown Way, Tidal Basin Road, Dock Road, Lower Lea Crossing.	While it is noted that the Hoola Development and the nearby road network was examined by the ExA at an unaccompanied site inspection on the 11 th of October 2016, the Council takes the view that these locations should be revisited as part of the ASI. Council officers will be well positioned to provide context and local knowledge to the ExA when required.
2	Woolwich Ferry Site, Pier Road.	The Council considers that it is necessary to visit the Woolwich Ferry site, so that the impact of any increased queueing at this site can be fully understood.
3	Gallions Reach, Former Thames Gateway Bridge Site.	The Council’s position is that a package of River Crossings is required in the East and South-East Sub Region and alternative locations should be fully understood.

Please also take this correspondence as notice that the Council intends to be represented, and anticipates making oral representations with respect to the following matters, as listed within the Timetable for Examination of the Application:

- Item 8: Issue specific hearing on traffic / transport modelling on Wednesday 7th December 2016
- Item 13: Issue specific hearing on traffic/transport modelling, forecasting and user charging and economic issues on Tuesday 17th January 2017
- Item 14: Issue specific hearing on air quality, noise and other environmental issues on Wednesday 18th January 2017

- Item 15: Issue specific hearing on the dDCO on Thursday 19th January 2017
- Item 22: Issue specific hearing on dDCO and any other outstanding issues, with time reserved for open floor hearing and compulsory acquisition hearings (if required) on Tuesday 28th March 2017 and Wednesday 29th March 2017

In addition to the above, and pending the outcome of discussions with TfL, the Council intends to be represented, and anticipates making oral representations with respect to the following matters, as listed within the Timetable for Examination of the Application:

- Item Number 9: Compulsory acquisition hearing on Thursday 8th December 2016
- Item Numbers 16 & 17: Compulsory acquisition hearing & accompanied site visit on Friday 20th January 2017

Further Information Request

In response to your letter dated 9th of November 2016 requesting further information from the Council, responses to Questions are set out within Table 2 below:

Table 2: Further Information Request		
Ref.	Question	Response
2.1	Are there any impacts of the Judgement's conclusions in relation to your own Borough's Air Quality Management Areas and air quality target timescales?	The conclusions indicate that modelling has underestimated future air pollution levels this could delay the date of compliance but without running the air quality model it would not be possible to confirm the impact and whether the impact was significant enough to delay overall compliance.
2.2	Would the proposed Silvertown Tunnel development affect the ability of a non-compliant area to achieve compliance within any updated timescales for compliance?	Notwithstanding the lack of confidence in modelling presented, and therefore the precise local impact of the Scheme as set out in the Local Impact Report (Annex 2) it is clear that there would be some worsening of pollution in relation to receptors within the Borough. The ability of the Borough to achieve compliance by whatever timescale will therefore be made more difficult.

The views of the Council as presented within this correspondence are considered to be both "important" and "relevant" pursuant to the determination of the Secretary of State under the Planning Act 2008 (as amended).

Yours sincerely,



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Director of Regeneration & Planning