

<b>Executive Decision Individual Decision Notice</b>	 <b>TOWER HAMLETS</b>
<b>Decision Maker:</b> Cabinet, 28 Jul 2021	<b>Classification:</b> Unrestricted
<b>Adoption of the Central Area Good Growth Supplementary Planning Document</b>	

Under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 – notice is required to be given of the intention to take Executive Key Decisions.

Notice is given either through an Individual Decision Notice or through the Forward Plan. Notice must normally be given 28 Days' before the decision can be taken.

<b>Key Decision?</b> Yes	<b>Ward(s)</b> Bethnal Green; Bow East; Bow West; Bromley North; Bromley South; Lansbury; Limehouse; Mile End; Shadwell; St Dunstan's; St Katharine's & Wapping; St Peter's; Stepney Green
<b>Summary of Decision</b>	<p>The Central Area Good Growth SPD provides supplementary guidance on the design of residential developments on small sites that respect and enhance the well-established character of the Central Area, as set out in the Tower Hamlets Local Plan 2031 (adopted January 2020), in particular policies S.DH1- Delivering High Quality Design, S.H1: Meeting housing needs and D.H3: Housing standards and quality. The SPD also provides supplementary guidance on achieving the vision set out by the Local Plan for the sub-area: Central. Furthermore, the SPD seeks to help to deliver the Mayor's manifesto pledges to improve the quality and fairness of housing and make development work for local people.</p> <p>The Central Area Good Growth SPD has been through an extensive preparation process that included evidence-base gathering - including mapping and compilation of existing small sites in the Central Area, early-stage online survey, workshops With Council services and industry professionals –(July-December 2020); preparation of draft document (March 2020-December 2020) and public consultation (January-February 2021). A wide range of community groups, residents, architects, developers and other stakeholders engaged with the Central Area Good Growth SPD and made formal responses as part of the consultation process.</p> <p>It is now necessary to adopt the Central Area Good Growth SPD to further enable clear and robust guidance to inform and be implemented in development proposals which will ensure that existing character is respected and enhanced and by new residential developments and that these have high-quality</p>

	standards to meet existing and future needs in accordance with corporate and Council objectives and the development Plan (Local Plan and London Plan).
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<b>Community Plan Theme</b>	<b>A borough that our residents are proud of and love to live in</b>
<b>Cabinet Member</b>	Cabinet Member for Planning and Social Inclusion (Job Share) - Lead on Planning (Councillor Eve McQuillan), Cabinet Member for Planning and Social Inclusion (Job Share) - Lead on Social Inclusion (Councillor Mufeedah Bustin)
Who will be consulted before decision is made and how will this consultation take place	See Appendix 2  The Central Area Good Growth SPD ran a public consultation between 11th January and 21st February 2021. This extended beyond the required four-week consultation period. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, no in-person events could be held during the consultation period, but a series of online workshops and Q&A sessions were held, an online survey and interactive map were set up on the consultation page, as well as leaflets announcing the consultation were delivered to every household within the Central Area, and the statutory consultees were contacted. A copy of the SPD was made available on the council's Let's Talk Tower Hamlets website, and printed copies were made available in Idea Stores. Details of the consultation activities (including activities undertaken at earlier stages of the SPD development process) can be found in Appendix 2 – Consultation Statement.
Has an Equality Impact Assessment been carried out and if so the result of this Assessment?	Screening Tool carried out 03/03 and repeated at the end of this form, no further assessment needed
Contact details for comments or additional information	Jennifer Peters (Divisional Director, Planning and Building Control, Place) <a href="mailto:Jennifer.Peters@towerhamlets.gov.uk">Jennifer.Peters@towerhamlets.gov.uk</a>
What supporting documents or other information will be available?	Appendix 1 – Central Area Good Growth SPD Appendix 2 – Consultation and Engagement Report Appendix 3 – SEA/HRA Screening Determination Letter Appendix 4 – Equalities Impact Assessment Screening
Is there an intention to consider this report in private session and if so why (Paragraph number – see notes section)?	No, Unrestricted

## NOTES

### **Advance notice of Key Decisions**

Key decisions are all those decisions which involve major spending, or savings, or which have a significant impact on the local community. The precise definition of a key decision adopted by Tower Hamlets is contained in Article 13.03 of the [Constitution](#). Key Decisions are taken by the Mayor, or the Mayor in Cabinet.

Individual notices of new Key Decisions will be published on the website as they are known, whilst a Forward Plan collating these decisions will be published 28 days before each Cabinet meeting. The Forward Plan will be published on the Council's website and will also be available to view at the Town Hall and Libraries, Ideas Centres and One Stop Shops if required. [The Committee pages](#) on the Council website include copies of the Forward Plan, Cabinet and other meeting dates and the publication dates of the Forward Plan.

If, due to reasons of urgency, a Key Decision has to be taken where 28 days' notice have not been given. Notice will be published (including on the website) as early as possible and Urgency Procedures as set out in the Constitution will have to be followed.

The most effective way for the public to make their views known about the issues listed in the Forward Plan is to examine the consultation column of the Forward Plan, and/or contact the report author or Cabinet Lead Member as soon as possible, and no later than 10 working days before the decision is expected to be taken.

Reports, appendices and background papers will be available on the Council's website 5 clear working days before the Cabinet meeting. For all other information or to submit documents in relation to any issue, please contact the relevant officer.

### **Notice of Intention to Conduct Business in Private**

**The Council is also required to give at least 28 days' notice if it wishes to consider any of the reports on the agenda of an Executive meeting (such as Cabinet) in private session. The last row of each item below will indicate any proposal to consider that item in private session.** Should you wish to make any representations in relation to an item being considered in private please contact Democratic Services on the contact details listed below. Note that this applies to Cabinet but not to Individual Mayoral Decisions outside of Cabinet.

The notice may reference a paragraph of Section 12A of the 1972 Local Government Act. In summary those paragraphs refer to the following types of exempt information (more information is available in the Constitution):

1. Information relating to any individual
2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority handling the information)
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matters arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under, the authority.
5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings.

6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes:-
  - a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
  - a) to make an order or direction under any enactment.
7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.

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