

**LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS**

**DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**12<sup>th</sup> March 2014**

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**UPDATE REPORT OF HEAD OF PLANNING AND BUILDING CONTROL**

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**PLANNING POLICY AND GUIDANCE UPDATE**

**National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG)**

1. On 6 March 2014 the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) published National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) which brings together planning practice guidance for England in an accessible and usable way.
2. The NPPG replaces and updates planning guidance previously contained in a number of topic based Government Circulars, technical notes and annexes to former Planning Policy Statements or Guidance. The NPPG sits alongside the National planning policy Framework (NPPF) published in 2012. The NPPG is not planning policy but it does explain how to implement policy or interpret legislation and is therefore a material consideration.
3. The recommendations on this committee's agenda have been reviewed in the light of the NPPG publication and officers are satisfied that this does not introduce any further material considerations or alter the nature of the recommendations set out in the reports.

**Draft further alterations to the London Plan 2014**

4. On 15 January 2014, the London Mayor published Draft Further Alterations to the London Plan (FALP) for a twelve week period of public consultation. The FALP have been prepared primarily to address key housing and employment issues emerging

from an analysis of census data released since the publication of the London Plan in July 2012, and which indicate a substantial increase in the capital's population.

5. The Council is preparing its response to the FALP consultation. In terms of decision making on planning applications, the draft alterations should be afforded some limited weight, but only the minimum weight in relation to the adopted policies.
6. The recommendations on this committee's agenda have been reviewed in the light of the draft FALP publication and officers are satisfied that this does not introduce any further material considerations or alter the nature of the recommendations set out in the reports.

### Recommendation

7. That the Committee notes the advice set out above.

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<b>Reference number:</b>	PA/13/02773
<b>Location:</b>	Units 24 - 32 (even) Mastmaker Road, London, E14 9UB
<b>Proposal:</b>	<p>Application to vary Condition 6 (hours of operation) attached to planning permission dated 15/10/2013 ref: PA/13/01647, which varied conditions 5 and 6 of the planning permission dated 10/07/2013 ref: PA/13/00116 which allowed a change of use of the existing light industrial units to a secondary school (Use Class D1) offering a range of vocational subjects for 14-19 year olds.</p> <p>The amendments seek to vary the arrival times for Teachers and Staff of the school and to extend the operation times for the social enterprise units as follows:</p> <p><b>Teachers &amp; staff</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mondays to Saturdays - 6.30 - 23:00 hours</li> </ul> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">14 - 16 year old students</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 09:30 - 15:00 (as approved under PA/13/01647)</li> <li>• 16 - 19 year old students - 10:00 - 15:30 (as approved under PA/13/01647)</li> </ul> <p><b>Nursery/Family Centre</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monday to Friday - 07:00 - 20:00 hours</li> <li>• Saturdays 08:00 - 18:00 hours</li> </ul> <p><b>Café/Restaurant use</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mondays to Fridays - 07:30 - 22:00</li> <li>• Saturdays - 10:00 - 22:00 hours</li> <li>• Sundays - 10:00 - 21:00 hours</li> </ul> <p><b>Gym/Sports Hall</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mondays to Fridays - 06:30 - 22:00</li> </ul>

**1.0 CLARIFICATIONS AND CORRECTIONS**

- 1.1 Members should note since publication 48 letters of support have been received commenting on the benefits of the extending hours of the approved use for the local community.

**RECOMMENDATION**

- 1.2 Officers' recommendation remains as outlined in the main report

