

**Appendix:
Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Forum Redesignation
Consultation Statement
January 2023**

Introduction

1. On 18 August 2022, the Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Forum applied to the Council to redesignate the Forum as the Neighbourhood Forum for the Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Planning Area. The application was assessed to be in keeping with the relevant regulations, and in accordance with Regulation 9 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 an eight week public consultation period was held between 17 November 2022 and 12 January 2023.
2. This document provides a summary at the level of representation of matters raised during the consultation period. The report takes account of relevant planning matters in representations submitted to the London Borough of Tower Hamlets. This paper has been prepared for public information and to inform the Council's decision making process – it is not intended to address any of the issues raised during the consultation period.

Consultation activities undertaken by the Council

3. Consultation activities undertaken by the Council were carried out in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations and the principles expressed in the Council's Statement of Community Involvement. The activities undertaken were as follows:
 - The Roman Road Bow Neighbourhood Planning Forum application form and map were placed on the Council's website
 - An email announcing the consultation and explaining where the relevant information could be found was sent to everyone on the Plan Making Team's consultation database
 - A public notice was published in the Docklands & East London Advertiser

Approach to categorising representations made

4. During the public consultation period, members of the public are able to make representations to the council regarding the redesignation of the Neighbourhood Forum.
5. The purpose of this consultation is to allow any other groups or individuals to object to the redesignation of the Neighbourhood Forum. Reasons for objecting may include the existing Neighbourhood Forum not being representative of the area. Objectors may also wish to form an alternative neighbourhood forum for the Neighbourhood Planning Area or part thereof.

6. This document presents representations in no particular order. Representation figures calculate submitted responses and as such do not limit representations to one per household or one per business. The following categories have been used to categorise representations:

Support	Have stated explicit support, or support has been inferred from the contents of the representation
Object	Have stated explicit objection, or objection has been inferred from the contents of the representation
Neutral	Have offered comments but not determined if they object or support the application
Petition	A written objection signed by multiple signatories
No comment	Where no comment has been made and no position on the matter can be inferred
Concerned	Do not state they object but highlight areas of concern

7. The following summaries have been derived from an analysis of the consultation responses. Please note, representations did not always specify support or objection to the area and Forum. The summary of responses paraphrases comments made by representors and, to avoid repetition, makes reference to the same matter once only.
8. When analysing the representations, regard is given to legislative requirements related to the Forum and Area proposals.

Summary of representations

Number of representations received:

Support	Objection	Neutral	No comment	Petition	Concerned	Total
1	0	1	5	0	0	7

9. A total of 6 responses were received to the consultation.
10. The following organisations responded to state that they had no comment to make on the application: Environment Agency, Sport England, Natural England, Historic England and the Port of London Authority.
11. One response from a resident of the Neighbourhood Planning Area was in support of the redesignation.
12. A response was received from the Canal and River Trust that made comments on the Neighbourhood Planning Area but did not include any comments in support of or against the redesignation of the Neighbourhood Forum and has been classed as 'neutral'.