

## Public Examination of the Development Management Local Plan

### London Borough of Lewisham response on the Inspector's Omission issue: Strategic views

*Strategic views are dealt with in CS policy 17. Does soundness require further coverage of these topics as sought by the GLA.*

(Note a complete list of all the Inspector's initial questions are on the Examination website and can be accessed via the following link:

<http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/planning/policy/LDF/development-policies/Documents/DMLPInitialQueries.pdf>)

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#### Council response

- 1.1 The Council considers that this issue is dealt with fully in Core Strategy Policy 17 and has not chosen to repeat the detailed guidance on the protected vistas and panoramic views contained in the London View Management Framework which is Supplementary Planning Guidance to the London Plan.
- 1.2 However, DM Policy 30: Urban design and local character sets out detailed principles to support good urban design in the borough and for ease of reference and for the sake of completeness, in reference to the type of view examined in the London Plan, the Council suggests the following amendment to point 5(a), with new text underlined in bold :

The creation of a positive relationship to the existing townscape, natural landscape, open spaces and topography to preserve and/or create an urban form which contributes to local distinctiveness such as plot widths, building features and uses, roofscape, open spaces and views, **panoramas** and vistas **including those identified in the London Plan**, taking all available opportunities for enhancement.

- 1.3 The Council also suggests that a cross reference to CS Policy 17 should be included in the justification to the DM Policy 30 at the end of para. 2.242 as follows:

Additional sentence:

**Core Strategy Policy 17 also refers to the protected vistas, and the London Panorama identified in the London Plan. These will be managed in accordance with the London Plan policies and the London Plan Supplementary Planning Guidance London View Management Framework.**