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Dear

Further to your letter of 29 November 2009, the Council is able to confirm that the ongoing use of the Edmonton Eco Park site for waste management is consistent with the adopted UDP and emerging LDF Core Strategy. Given the advanced stage of the Core Strategy the relevant policy for the site is summarised below.

Enfield's Pre Submission LDF Core Strategy was approved by the Council on 11th November and will be published for pre submission consultation 14th December 2009. It is anticipated that the Core Strategy will be submitted to the Secretary of State in February 2010 and will be subject to an examination in public in spring/early summer 2010.

Core Policy 22 sets out the Council's strategic planning policy to support sustainable waste management. In particular it supports the continued use of the Edmonton Eco Park as a strategic waste site and sets out the Council's intention to work with the NLWA and London Waste to secure a more sustainable and efficient use of the site. This includes exploring opportunities for local energy provision to support new development at Meridian Water, a strategic growth area with the potential for the development of 5,000 new homes and 1,500 jobs by 2030, to the south.

Although the policy refers to the use of the site 'after the current incinerator is decommissioned', the intent of the Council's policy is to support the phased delivery of new more sustainable and efficient waste management facilities at the Edmonton Eco Park site, which could come forward prior to the decommissioning of the incinerator but would need to include a phased decommissioning programme, where applicable. There is an opportunity as part of the forthcoming consultation on the Pre-Submission Core Strategy, for the NLWA to propose clarification of the wording of the current policy to confirm that development of more sustainable and efficient waste management facilities on the site is not precluded prior to decommissioning of the incinerator.

To help deliver this policy, future developments, including any proposals for intensification of the use of the site, would need to be considered in the context of a masterplan. The Council would support working with the NLWA to develop a masterplan that sets out the proposed

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future use of the site, including intensification of the existing waste operations. The Council would support this approach and advises that any masterplan should address the potential impact of development and any mitigation measures that would be required. The masterplan would need to consider the following issues:

- Opportunities to improve the vehicular access/egress of the site, improvements to public transport accessibility for employees
- High quality /exemplar and sustainable buildings and structures with particular regard for the waterfront following the approach taken for the Olympics.
- Ongoing R&D element to the activity driving innovation
- Access to the jobs by local people working with partners to ensure the projected skills are embedded in training opportunities for local people.
- Enhanced visitor /education facility
- Phasing of development
- Opportunities to contribute to local heat network/s including links with the development at Meridian Water.

I trust the above is of assistance, however, should you require further details please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Principal Planning Officer South Team



