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## Wandsworth Local Plan Schedule of Main Modifications

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for allowing Thames Water Utilities Ltd (Thames Water) to comment upon the above.

LB Wandsworth and Thames Water/Thames Tideway agreed a Statement of Common Ground on 20/10/22. The Main Modifications have been reviewed to compare them to Statement of Common Ground. While in general the Main Modifications follow the spirit if not the precise text of the Statement Thames Water remains content with the exception of one departure which is not agreed.

The Statement of Common Ground agreed the following for para 5.30.

"5.30 Proposals to the north of the cluster in <u>at</u> the Kirtling Wharf and Cringle Dock sites (NE9, NE11) will be required to provide <u>appropriate public</u> open space that connects to the proposed Nine Elms Pimlico Bridge, <u>and</u> the Thames Path <u>subject to the operation and</u> <u>maintenance requirements of</u> and the open space above the Thames Tideway Tunnel access shaft."

The Main Modifications have reverted to text closer to the original Reg 19 consultation:

'5.30 Open Space Public Realm – Proposals to the north of the cluster inat the Kirtling Wharf and Cringle Dock sites (NE9, NE11) will be required to provide a publicly accessible landscaped area open space that connects to the proposed Nine Elms Pimlico Bridge, the Thames Path and subject to operation and maintenance requirements, the open space above the Thames Tideway Tunnel access shaft. It will need to consider the Nine Elms Pimlico Bridge structure, its future access and maintenance requirements, the users of the bridge, the river walk as well as providing a welcoming gateway to the area that takes into account views to and from the bridge. Proposals will be required to comply with the London Plan Policy SI15 Water transport and public realm landscaping should not conflict with the safeguarded wharf use.'

Thames Water remains concerned that access and maintenance requirements of Thames Tideway infrastructure is not at all fettered and also that any publicly accessible open space is able to be brought forward independently at NE9 and NE11 so is requesting an amendment to paragraph 5.30 in the Main Modifications to:

'5.30 Open Space Public Realm – Proposals to the north of the cluster inat the Kirtling Wharf and Cringle Dock sites (NE9, NE11) will be required to provide a publicly accessible landscaped areas <u>of</u> open space that connects to the proposed Nine Elms Pimlico Bridge, the Thames Path <u>and the open space above the Thames Tideway Tunnel access shaft</u> and <u>all</u> subject to operation and maintenance requirements of the Thames Tideway Tunnel, the open space above the Thames Tideway Tunnel access shaft. It <u>They</u> will need to consider the Nine Elms Pimlico Bridge structure, its future access and maintenance requirements, the users of the bridge, the river walk as well as providing a welcoming gateway to the area that takes into account views to and from the bridge. Proposals will be required to comply with the London Plan Policy SI15 Water transport and public realm landscaping should not conflict with the safeguarded wharf use.'

This proposed amendment applies to references 4.1, 4.5 and 4.13 of the Statement of Common Ground.

We trust the above is satisfactory, but please do not hesitate to contact Vincent Bartlett on the above number if you have any queries.

Yours faithfully,

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