Aberfeldy Village Masterplan Environmental Statement Volume 3: Technical Appendices

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Aberfeldy Village EIA Scoping Opinion Response

This EIA Scoping Opinion Response document constitutes the response of the Applicant to the EIA Scoping Opinion received from the London Borough of Tower Hamlets (LBTH) on the 8th September 2021 relating to the EIA for the redevelopment of the Aberfeldy Village. This document is structured as follows in accordance with the structure set out within the LBTHs' Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Scoping Opinion:

- Table 1 EIA Scoping Opinion Response, Section 2 EIA Process Requirements;
- Table 2 EIA Scoping Topics Scoped In; and
- Table 3 EIA Scoping Topics Scoped Out.

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The document only responds to any areas where further clarification or justification has been considered necessary by the Applicant's EIA Team, all other comments raised in the scoping opinion have been addressed directly through the ES (Volumes 1 and 2).

Table 1: EIA Scoping Opinion (SO) Response, Section 2 EIA Process Requirements

SO Section	Comment Within the LBTH Scoping Opinion	Applicant's EIA Team Re
Ref.		
2.0 The Propo	sed Development	
2.2 General Comments	Where different floorspace measurements are used e.g. Gross External Area (GEA), General Internal Area (GIA) and Net Internal Area (NIA), the ES should clearly identify how these have been calculated, based on which drawings and how the figures relate to one another.	This information is presented within ES Volume 1, Chapter 4: The appropriate within ES Volume 1, Chapter 5-14
	The ES should ensure consequential effects of plant are assessed as required, in terms of flue location and noise.	This has been assessed within ES Volume 1, Chapter 8: Air Qu and Vibration.
	Soft landscaping should be prioritised within the Proposed Development which, where possible, should incorporate dual uses e.g. biodiversity benefits, flood attenuation/Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS), and wind mitigation.	The information is presented within ES Volume 1, Chapter 4: The Air Quality and ES Volume 1, Chapter 10: Noise and Vibratio
	The Applicant should take into account the locations of any utilities within or crossing the Application Site; should these need to be redirected or upgraded as a result of the Proposed Development, consultation should be undertaken with the relevant stakeholders.	The impact of any utilities within or crossing the Site have been of and as appropriate considered within ES Volume 1, Chapter 5 :
2.3 Demolition and	No reference is made within the Scoping Report to the lifespan (or decommissioning) of the Proposed Development. The intended lifespan of the Proposed Development is to be considered in the ES.	Consideration of the decommissioning of the Proposed Developr Regulations relevant to this project, and therefore has not been a in this ES.
Construction	Noting the 120-month construction period and as Paragraph 5 of the Scoping Report states that the Proposed Development would replace Phases 4 to 6 of the OPP, and Paragraph 86 of the Scoping Report refers to a phased construction and occupation of the Proposed Development, the Applicant should consider how a reasonable worst-case scenario can be identified and new sensitive receptors (i.e. residents) assessed and make clear how this has been considered. Any phasing as presented in the ES would then be fixed by planning condition.	A Phasing Parameter Plan has been submitted with the Planning Methodology presents how a reasonable worst-case scenario ha assessments.
	The Proposed Development should include a description of any temporary works (noting the 120-month construction phase) required to facilitate any partial use of the Application Site, prior to completion of the Proposed Development.	No temporary site uses are currently envisaged for the Proposed
3.0 Review of	the Methodology and Scope of the EIA	
3.2 Significance Criteria	Table 3 of the Scoping Report refers to classifying effects as adverse, beneficial, or neutral. LBTH consider that the classification of 'neutral' effects is to be used where there is no meaningful change to a receptor. However, LBTH do not consider it is appropriate to imply that neutral effects can be significant e.g. moderate neutral effect, as this counters the normal use of this word both in general usage and EIA practice. Although LBTH note that the Scoping Report only proposes to use the term neutral with regards to the Townscape and Visual Impact Assessment.	Noted, however, in relation to townscape visual impact effects ar neutral. This is in line with guidance in the GLVIA which states th as to whether effects can be described as <i>…positive or negative</i> paragraph 5.37 in reference to landscape/ townscape, and parage extract is taken) for visual effects). The assessment as beneficial regard to the receptor that is being assessed, there may be both Proposed Development.

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The Proposed Development and as

Quality and ES Volume 1, Chapter 10: Noise

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n considered as part of the Utilities Assessment **: Demolition and Construction.**

pment is not a requirement of the EIA a assessed in the EIA or discussed any further

ng Application. **ES Volume I, Chapter 2**: nas been identified for each of the technical

ed Development.

are assessed as beneficial, adverse, or s that a professional judgement should be made ive (or in some cases neutral)...' (see GLVIA agraph 6.29 (from which the preceding quoted ial or adverse is a 'net equation', since with th positive and negative effects as a result of the

4.12 Cumula	ative Effects		
4.12.2	The cumulative effects assessments (both inter and intra-project assessment) should consider likely effects on specific receptors and or groups of receptors, in addition to general aspects of the environment. Cumulative effects assessments should not just consider whether the magnitude of effects is greater, but also other aspects such as whether the duration of effects on a receptor are increased.	Where relevant the cumulat Proposed Development's pe construction at the same tim A scoping exercise has been	eak ie. i un
	 LBTH have reviewed the list of cumulative schemes provided in Appendix C of the Scoping Report and has identified the following schemes for inclusion / consideration in the cumulative effects assessment: Areas 7 and IC Barking Road, Canning Town - 11/00662/LTGDC (within the London Borough of Newham Planning permission granted) Blackwall Reach - PA/12/02752, PA/14/02480, PA/16/01958/P3 (planning permission granted) and PA/20/02371 (likely to be determined before the Proposed Development); Aberfeldy Estate – PA/11/02716, PA/11/03548, PA/13/01844, PA/15/00002, and PA/15/01826 (planning permission granted); 116-118 Chrisp Street - PA/14/02928 (planning permission granted); Bromley by Bow North - PA/11/02423 (planning permission granted); 43-45 Gillender Street - PA/19/01628 (planning permission granted); 	 at the same time as the Prop within the ES Volume 1, Char The following has been const The likelihood of the Development; The likelihood that the the cumulative scheme The proximity of the surrounding receptors Development being co The amount of inform scoping report and are 	apt side e o e sa es; cu s to onsi
	 Goodluck Hope - PA/19/02773 (likely to be determined before the Proposed Development); 160 Chrisp Street - PA/15/00039 (Planning permission granted); 	These additional schemes considered to be cumulative Scheme	
	 Bow Common – PA/19/02379 (Resolution to grant planning permission); Stroudley Walk - PA/19/02292 (planning permission granted); Blackwall Jetty - PA/21/00288 (likely to be determined before the Proposed Development); 	Mulberry Place - PA/21/01304 (Scoping Opinion requested);	A ir o
	 Mulberry Place - PA/21/01304 (Scoping Opinion requested); Land under the DLR bounded by Scouler Street, Aspen Way and Prestage Way - PA/19/02292 (planning permission granted); Global Switch - PA/21/00986 (Could be determined before the Proposed Development); 	Global Switch - PA/21/00986 (Could be determined before the Proposed Development);	A h g fr w c
	 1 Paul Julius Close (Reuters) - PA/13/01861/A1 (planning permission granted); North Quay - PA/20/01421/A1 (likely to be determined before the Proposed Development); Tower Hamlets College, 112 Poplar High Street - PA/19/02067/NC (scoping opinion issued); 	Tower Hamlets College, 112 Poplar High Street - PA/19/02067/NC (scoping opinion issued);	A ir o
	 Chrisp Street Market – PA/21/01975 (scoping opinion requested); Trinity Buoy Wharf - PA/17/00729 and PA/19/00957 (planning permission granted); and The Silvertown Tunnel Order (2018). 	Chrisp Street Market – PA/21/01975 (scoping opinion requested);	A ir o

schemes assessment considers potential impacts that may arise during the construction period in combination with other developments that are also under

dertaken which has identified cumulative schemes likely to be under construction sed Development. Further details in regard to this scoping exercise is presented ter 2: Methodology.

ered when undertaking the scoping exercise:

- tructed concurrently with the cumulative schemes; and
- erefore not able to be assessed in terms of massing studies.

ve been considered and the below responses relate to those which are not hemes for this Site.

Scheme	Response
Mulberry Place - PA/21/01304 (Scoping Opinion requested);	Although the Scoping Opinion h information available to undertake of this scheme.
Global Switch - PA/21/00986 (Could be determined before the Proposed Development);	Although the scheme is located ne has no cumulative interactions wit generating population or addition from the external plant is conside when considering the noise en cumulative scheme.
Tower Hamlets College, 112 Poplar High Street - PA/19/02067/NC (scoping opinion issued);	Although the Scoping Opinion h information available to undertake of this scheme.
Chrisp Street Market – PA/21/01975 (scoping opinion requested);	Although the Scoping Opinion h information available to undertake of this scheme.

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other cumulative schemes being constructed concurrently to the Proposed

ame or similar HGV traffic routes as the Proposed Development will be used for

imulative schemes to the Proposed Development site and the potential for experience 'in combination' or 'cumulative' effects as a result of the Proposed

on available to be assessed i.e. whether the cumulative schemes only have a

has been submitted, there is insufficient e an assessment of the cumulative effects

nearby, the five level phased external plant vith the Proposed Development as it is not onal sensitive receptors. Noise generated dered too far to lead to an increase in dB environments between the Site and the

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Table 2:	EIA Scoping – Topics Scoped In	
4.1 Air Qualit	У	·
4.1.2 General Comments	The ES is to ensure that realistic background air quality concentrations are used in the assessment, and a robust model verification exercise is undertaken. Any limitations should be clearly stated. It is considered that current baseline and future year projections are to be based on the LAEI (20 m2 grid reference) and Tower Hamlets monitoring data. LBTH notes that in addition to verifying modelling against existing monitoring data in the area, air quality monitoring for nitrogen dioxide will be undertaken at the Application Site (over a minimum period of three months), in order to provide further confidence in the modelled predictions. LBTH considers this to be appropriate.	During the assessment period between March 2020 and Jun by restrictions that were implemented as part of the Governm Consequently this has affected transport movements at the t baseline air quality work in early 2021, it was not considered monitoring. Instead, existing LBTH monitoring data was used
4.3 Daylight,	Sunlight, Overshadowing, Light Pollution and Solar Glare	
4.3.2 General Comments		Light pollution is defined as any light emitting from artificial se as spillage of light from office or commercial buildings onto cause nuisance to the occupants
	It is noted that light pollution is included in the aspect chapter title in the Scoping Report; however, this matter is dealt with in Paragraph 169 of the Scoping Report which provides a discussion proposing to scope out an	The elements of the Proposed Development which are deta are not considered to be a source of light intrusion and therefo uses proposed are not considered likely to results in any s relative distance from sensitive uses and are therefore not as
	assessment of light pollution due to the residential nature of the Proposed Development. LBTH agrees that this is acceptable for the residential element of the Proposed Development; however, LBTH notes that approximately 7,500 sqm GIA of non-residential uses (including restaurant, retail and office (Use Class E(a), E(b) and E(g))) will be provided. Therefore, LBTH expects that a light pollution assessment should be undertaken for the non-residential uses of the Proposed Development or justification should be provided in the ES, if it is considered that such an assessment is not required.	As a mixed-use scheme, there is the potential for the propose meters of commercial buildings and thus considered future However, the non-residential uses of Proposed Developmen proposed in outline and as such no light pollution asses assessment of the light pollution effects relies on the detailed buildings that would emit the artificial lighting and the aperture to the application for the Proposed Development being par glazing, as well as the lighting design, internal layouts and element. As such, a full detailed analysis for solar glare ar stage in respect of the outline element. Any emerging lightin ILP Guidance Notes and will ensure that any significant effect development
	The study area and individual properties assessed should be clearly stated and justified within the ES and shown on a figure for ease of understanding. It is noted that a list of receptors to be considered has been provided in Paragraph 175 of the Scoping Report, however no figure is provided so the exact receptors to be assessed is not known. Reference is made to Aberfeldy Road, which is understood to refer to Aberfeldy Street, and Carndale House, which is understood to refer to Carradale House. Bromley Hall School, Poplar Baptist Church, River Thames and Tidal Tributaries SINC, and receptors on Brion Place should be identified as receptors.	A map of receptors with buildings, clearly identified, with nan Volume 1, Chapter 12: Daylight, Sunlight, Overshadowin Figures 12.1, 12.2 and 12.3. The additional buildings, Bromley Hall School, Poplar Baptist considered in the Sensitive Receptors Section, with the likely Effects Section. The River Thames is south of the Proposed Development ar Creek / River Lea are Tidal Tributaries which are assessed a
4.3.4 Operation	 The Applicant is also required to provide a summary table for daylight, which includes the following: The receptor (i.e. each building); The number of windows / rooms in the receptor tested; The number of windows / rooms which meet the BRE criteria; The number of windows / rooms which do not meet the BRE criteria, split by minor, moderate and major significance, as per the criteria outlined above; The number of dwellings affected; and Commentary on minor, moderate and major sunlight and daylight losses. 	Information about dwellings is not always available and as su option. A summary table has been provided within the ES chapter de and affected per receptor, split by minor, moderate and majo results report on the specific windows and rooms which impa corresponding illustrations whereby the individual effects can
4.5 Health		
4.5.2 General Comments	The Applicant is advised to consider integrating the HIA into the EIA to minimise duplication and facilitate enhanced consideration of health within the EIA as well as meeting the requirements of both the HIA policy and the EIA Regulations.	A table is provided in ES Volume 1, Chapter 2: EIA Metho information on human health located in the ES
	the introductory section of the ES should contain a table which provides a clear cross-reference to where the relevant information on human health is located in the ES, such as within the HIA, wind microclimate (including strong wind occurrences), daylight, sunlight and overshadowing, socio-economics, air quality, noise and vibration, transport aspect, ground conditions, water environment chapters of the ES.	The application is be supported by a detailed Health Impact D.SG3. The scope of the HIA has been agreed with LBTH He

une 2021, travel had been significantly limited nment's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. e time hence at the time of undertaking the ed representative to undertake air quality ed.

sources into spaces where it is unwanted, such to residential accommodation, where this would

tailed comprise primarily residential uses which fore do not require assessment. The commercial v significant light intrusion effects, owing to the assessed.

besed residential elements to be located within 20 re sensitive receptors in terms of light pollution. ment comprising commercial uses are currently sessment can be undertaken at this time. An ed design of the scheme, for both the commercial uses of the proposed residential buildings. Owing partly in outline, the façade materials, including nd room uses are not yet known for the outline and light pollution cannot be undertaken at this ting strategy will be designed with respect to the fects are mitigated as part of the detailed design

aming corrections are provided within **ES** ing, Light Pollution and Solar Glare within

ist Church and receptors on Brion Place are ely significant effects considered in the Potential

and therefore not considered sensitive. Bow as sensitive receptors. such reporting by dwellings is not a viable

detailing the number of windows/rooms tested ajor effects. The daylight and sunlight technical pacts occur, which are mapped on an be identified.

hodology which provides reference to relevant

ct Assessment in accordance with LBTH policy Health Impact Assessment Officer. The HIA will

In accordance with LBTH policy D.SG3, and policy within the NPPF and London Plan, a detailed HIA is to be submitted in support of the planning application. Any likely significant effects identified within the HIA should be further assessed as part of the EIA. It should be noted that the emerging policy requires 'Developments of a scale referable to the Greater London Authority (as set out in legislation) are required to complete and submit a detailed health impact assessment as part of the planning application. Detailed HIAs must be informed by sufficient consultation , in order to identify the relevant health determinants for the Proposed Development and assess their impact. It is noted from Paragraph 221 of the Scoping Report that the scope of the detailed HIA has been discussed with the LBTH's HIA Officer (in May 2021). The required consultation is to also be agreed with LBTH's HIA Officer. The HIA is to be structure around the following key themes, as identified within LBTH's HIA Guidance (2021): Delivering healthy layouts; Promoting neighbourhood cohesion; Enabling active living; and Creating the healthiest of environments. The Applicant is reminded that all likely significant effects must be identified and assessed within the ES. Community engagement will offer a qualitative impact analysis of those who will experience living on or near the Application Site and who might suffer or benefit from its many features and their combined health (as per HUDU checklist), it is therefore important for the Applicant to take into account the experience of the local population. The criteria questions in the Tower Hamlets HIA guidance can help inform consultation on health. HIA has a broad remit to assess a number of determinant of health at building or site level including housing quality and design, access to healthcare and other social infrastructure, access to open space and nature, air quality, noise and neighbourhood amenity, active travel, community safety, access to healthy food, access to wor	include reference to supporting documents (such as ES CH approach as agreed with LBTH Health Impact Assessment Of Any likely significant effects identified within the HIA are inclue The HIA utilises the Sports England's Active Design to eval proposal. The Local Impact Area used in the HIA is commensurate with the significance of effects across the range of health determ local impact areas used in the ES for such purposes.
transport objectives (see p. 56 Sports England's Active Design). Furthermore, the HIA will need to consider the impact not just on the Application Site but on the wider population. The Applicant must identify an impact area in view of the size of the development, the local demographics and existence of local infrastructure around the Application Site.	

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Chapters) to further understand methodology, Officer.

luded in the ES.

valuate the design and layout principles of the

with the appropriate impact areas used to assess rminants and where possible is consistent with

4.6 Socio-Ec	onomics	
4.6.2 General Comments	The Scoping Report does not identify whether the effects on dentists, nurseries, leisure and other community facilities will be considered within the ES. The ES should consider the potential effects on these or provide justification as to why not assessed. The Applicant is reminded it is not acceptable to scope out aspect or matters on the basis of difficulty undertaking the assessments. Table 3 of the Scoping Report provides the matrix to determine effects for the socio-economic assessment. The matrix includes the classification that impacts of medium magnitude on assets of medium sensitivity, will result in a moderate effect. LBTH considers that this classification is proportionate. However, given this is in line with the overall methodology for the ES as set out in Table 2 (page 21) of the Scoping Report, the Applicant should consider the need for repeating matrix in the ES. This assessment will need to include consideration of LBTH's affordable housing target i.e. a minimum of 35% (noting that sites on public land require a minimum of 50% to benefit from the fast track route, in accordance with the London Plan), and required housing mix i.e. 70% rented and 30% intermediate tenure split. Should the Proposed Development not meet LBTH's affordable housing target, this should be assessed as being an adverse effect as the Proposed Development has failed to meet the communities' minimum need. If the affordable housing provision changes after the planning application has been submitted, reassessment may be required a spart of the ES. The assessment should ensure that the new site users have access to sufficient levels of social infrastructure, such as health, and recreation etc. The ES should clearly identify the receptors and study area in relation to socio-economics, surrounding and within the Application Site, and their sensitivity to potential construction and operation works. This should include a map and appropriate descriptors. The ES should clearly set out how all figures have been calculated (e.g. employm	Effects on dentists, nurseries, leisure and community facilitia available, capacity is assessed using local, regional or nation capacity exist, a best-practice assessment has been used to the level of affordable housing has been considered in line with the level of affordable housing has been considered in line with the level of affordable housing has been considered in line with the level of affordable housing has been considered in line with the level of affordable housing has been considered in line with the level of affordable housing has been considered in line with the level of affordable housing has been considered in line with the level of affordable housing has been considered in line with worst-case scenario has been used to assess all receptor including assessment of employment generation. Data sources are fully referenced throughout ES Volume 1, C Whilst it is recognised that the London Borough of Newham is to it is considered the inclusion of London Borough of Newham is sources are fully referenced throughout ES volume 1, C Whilst it is recognised that the London Borough of Newham is git is considered to be a significant physical barrier with current residents (one of which connects directly to a waste manage used by the wider population). Moreover, currently the vast me London Borough of Newham include industrial, commercial a have a permanent resident population. Whilst there may be between the two places, it is considered unlikely that the del any significant or permanent impacts on the population within of Newham. As such, it is considered the inclusion of London impact areas of the Chapter is not appropriate. However, for a radius is used, parts of this may fall within LB Newham – in Consultation emails will be sent out to relevant organ Commissioning Group and LBTH's Education department to latest trends.
4.6.3 Demolition and Construction	LBTH has an above average unemployment level within Greater London. LBTH will seek to ensure that jobs are provided for local people, both in the construction phase of the Proposed Development and by the end- users, where appropriate. When calculating employment figures the Homes and Community Agency's (HCA) Employment Densities Guide should be used. Where there are a range of 'area per Full Time Equivalents (FTE)', information should be provided on why a specific figure has been used. It should be noted that the HCA guide references both GIA and NIA, and therefore the EIA should ensure that the correct figures are used for the correct land uses. Specific consideration should be given to the loss of current employment within the Application Site and the potential disruption of businesses adjacent to and in proximity of the Application Site during demolition and construction. It is noted that Paragraph 240 of the Scoping Report states that the child yield anticipated to arise from the Proposed Development will be calculated based on the GLA Population Yield Calculator. LBTH requires that LBTH's Child Yield Calculator is used inform the socio-economic assessments. The future baseline and cumulative effects will be an important assessment in relation to the socio-economic aspect chapter, and the assessment should ensure that the new site users have access to sufficient levels of social infrastructure, such as health, education, open space and play space on a phase-by-phase basis. Assessments of demand for community facilities should be supported quantitative information including likely population increase from cumulative schemes where possible.	 HCA's Employment Density Guide (2015) has been applied to Development. Consideration has been given to any loss of expotential displacement of business during construction & dem The LBTH Child Yield Calculator has been used to determine Development Assessments of demand for community facilities has been inclincrease from cumulative schemes where possible. Adverse effects are described and appropriate mitigation means

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ities are considered in the ES chapter. Where onal benchmarks. If no published thresholds for o determine assessment conclusions.

with LBTH's targets

area with descriptors and justification. tors within the Socio-economics ES Chapter,

, Chapter 6: Socioeconomics

is geographically proximate to the site boundary, in within the affected impact areas is for the most obsest to the site, aligns with the River Lea which ently only two places for potential crossover of gement service and is considered unlikely to be majority of land uses across the river within the and logistics uses which are highly unlikely to be some commercial activity which could occur delivery of the Proposed Development will have in the area that falls within the London Borough and no Borough of Newham within the assessed or receptors such as primary health care, where in which case this has been taken in to account.

nisations, including Tower Hamlets Clinical o ensure data is up-to-date and consistent with

to estimate employment levels for the Proposed existing employment on-site and if there is any emolition phases.

ne level of children to be generated by Proposed

ncluded in the chapter including likely population

easures have been proposed

Traffic and		
Traffic and	Mitigation measures for buses, especially route 309 and any potential rerouting, should clearly identify how the measures will be secured and acknowledge where mitigation is within the Applicant's control and when it is not. Table 5 of the Scoping Report notes that during demolition and construction, severance and amenity, fear and intimidation will be assessed for local roads only. It also notes that severance, pedestrian and	A Traffic and Transport ES chapter is required to comply with s LA104 and the Guidelines for the Environmental Assessment to be assessed are set out in the standards and are as follow
	cyclist delay, vehicle and bus delay, amenity, fear and intimidation and accidents and safety will be assessed during operation. LBTH consider that pedestrian and cyclist delay, vehicle and bus delay, accidents and safety are to be scoped into the assessment during demolition, and construction. It is agreed that the assessment of hazardous loads can be scoped out of the ES on the basis on hazardous loads would be generated as a result of the Proposed Development.	 Severance Driver Delay Pedestrian Delay Pedestrian Amenity
		 Fear and Intimidation Accidents and Safety
		 Hazardous Loads Specific EIA thresholds for these impacts exist so that the ma impact can be determined in line with DMRB and GEART. How transport passengers can be included as separate receptors as set out above on each of these receptor groups can be determined.
	LBTH considers that rail delay and the effects on public transport should be assessed for operation and, therefore, must be scoped in. As part of the assessment of public transport, station capacity assessments for London Underground and DLR stations, and line loading assessments are to be undertaken and agreed with LBTH and TfL.	Rail delay and "effects" on public transport are not included in these impacts exists. Therefore, they are not be included in t transport demand on the capacity of the public transport netw
	No consideration has been given to junction capacity within the Scoping Report. This matter is considered to be scoped in unless it can be sufficiently justified that significant effects are not likely. The Applicant is advised to consult with LBTH and TfL in this regard.	The Proposed Development will not result in an increase in verthat the proposed closure of the underpass will result in redis a reduction in traffic on B125 Abbott Road will occur as well. microsimulation is underway which will assess the junctions underpass. The result of this modelling informs the driver assessment.
	In addition to the above, appropriate consideration must be given to the timeframe of when Abbott Road diversions will be delivered. For example, if Abbott Road will be closed to vehicular traffic early during the construction phase, then this must also be assessed during construction.	The peak construction traffic is expected to occur in April/May be closed until after the peak construction traffic has taken pl change slightly with the closure of the underpass in future Pha the re provided off-slip and egress from the site via B125 A change in routing is not considered to have a material impact Abbott Road, within other streets of the site or the strategic ne
	 Proposed assessment scenarios set out: Existing baseline year Assessment baseline (do nothing) Assessment with development (do something) Existing baseline plus peak hour construction vehicle movements 	While data from an existing baseline year has been used to e (2031), it has not been assessed separately against severar impact or change of a proposal against a do-nothing baseline is in line with BMRB LA104 and the 1993 IEMA guidelines.
	 Interim scenario with partial occupation and partial construction of the development 	Peak construction in 2026 encompasses construction of Ph phase, the Detailed Proposals (Phase A) of the Proposed Dev the Proposed Development will re-provide parking at a lower expected as a result of Phase A operation and therefore this h scenario. For Phase B construction, construction vehicles A12/Lochnagar Street junction. The Interim scenario year of 2 partial occupation and partial construction.
	The detailed assessment methodology for this aspect chapter and the TA should be agreed in consultation with transportation officers at LBTH and TfL. Details of the consultation undertaken should be set out in the ES. The Applicant is advised to agree the trip generation and any modelling scope with LBTH and TfL, prior to submitting the application.	Noted, extensive consultation has occurred and is ongoing with



th specific national guidelines as set out in DMRB nt of Road Traffic (GEART). The specific impacts ows:

magnitude and significance of the environmental lowever, pedestrians, cyclists, drivers, and public rs as part of the assessment so that the impacts determined.

I in national guidance and no EIA thresholds for the ES chapter. However, the impact of public twork, including rail, forms part of the TA.

a vehicle trips on the network. It is acknowledged distribution of traffic on the strategic network but ell. Strategic modelling has been undertaken and ons that will be impacted by the closure of the ver delay and severance environmental impact

lay 2026 during Phase B. The underpass will not place. However the routing of vehicles will only Phases with access from the A12 maintained via 5 Abbott Road junction with the A13. The minor pact on construction traffic volumes along B125 c network.

to establish the assessment future baseline year erance, delay, etc. as EIA is concerned with the ne in the same year. Our proposed methodology

Phase B of the Proposed Development. In this Development would be operational. However, as er level than existing Site no increase in traffic is is has not been explicitly assessed as part of this cles will access and egress the site via the of 2026 has therefore been used to illustrate the

with both LBTH and TfL.

4.8.3 Demolition and Construction	Cumulative impacts will be an important consideration given the location of the Proposed Development in an area of significant growth, particularly considering the cumulative schemes will introduce HGVs and construction traffic onto local streets at the same time as the Proposed Development.	An estimate of construction vehicle flows for nearby developm on publicly available construction flows for those developmen is based on growth of existing traffic and existing traffic a construction around the area, some cumulative construction t
4.8.4 Operation	The ES and TA must contain a multi-modal impact assessment including baseline and future vehicle (car, vans, Light Good Vehicles (LGVs) and Heavy Good Vehicles (HGVs)), public transport (bus, Crossrail, DLR, London Underground and Overground) and pedestrian and cycle trips and the overall mode share. Demand for individual mode of public transport should be assessed, and provide an estimate based on directions; this would enable determination of the need and size of mitigation required. A full multi-modal trip generation should be prepared using relevant data from TRICS and deriving mode share from recent proposals in similar locations.	The TA includes a multi-modal trip generation and capacity vehicle trip generation from the TA to establish environment 1993 GEART.
	Given the Mayoral focus on Healthy Streets, it would be useful to clearly integrate the Healthy Streets principles within the EIA and TA. Improvement measures where identified should be fully funded. Healthy Streets principles should be integrated into the ES. All streets in and around the Application Site should prioritise walking and cycling and, where vehicle access is necessary, streets should be designed for very low speeds where cars are guests. Active freight should be prioritised, and deliveries and servicing consolidated where possible. Bus priority should be improved to help maintain bus reliability and as an intrinsic element in the Healthy Streets Approach.	The TA has been produced in line with the Healthy Streets improvements for the site have been developed in line with th in the ES therefore includes Healthy Streets compliant measu
	All servicing will be expected to take place within the boundaries of the Application Site, minimising the effect on the public highway. The way in which the Proposed Development is to be serviced should be clearly diagrammatised. The ES should also include specific details regarding the proposed delivery to and servicing of the Proposed Development (e.g. the location and capacity of loading facilities for deliveries, and the anticipated increases in Light Goods Vehicles (LGVs)) so that the relevant assessment can be provided and effects identified, where necessary.	The servicing strategy has been discussed with LBTH highwa full as part of the Transport Assessment and Delivery Servici for this data to be repeated as it needs to be produced in line
	LBTH considers a commitment to using electric (or alternative technology) vehicles for servicing and delivery associated with the development should be made as part of the planning application, to be secured via s106 or condition.	The proposals will enable EV delivery and servicing through cycle facilities. However, as deliveries, especially those to ind parcel deliveries, are mostly outside of the developer's cor appropriate.
	Cumulative impacts will be an important consideration	An estimate of construction vehicle flows for nearby develop on publicly available construction flows for those developmen is based on growth of existing traffic and existing traffic a construction around the area, some cumulative construction t
	The ES and TA should include a multi-modal impact assessment.	The TA includes a multi-modal trip generation and capacity vehicle trip generation from the TA to establish environment 1993 GEART.
4.9 Wind Micr	oclimate	
4.9.2 General Comments	Given the height of the Proposed Development, the assessment should consider wind speeds at elevated levels of the Proposed Development, as stated in Paragraph 332 of the Scoping Report. For the avoidance of doubt the assessment is to assess the wind microclimate to be experienced on any balconies, open space and roof terraces as appropriate, including those provided within the Proposed Development, as well as within surrounding buildings as required. The Applicant should review whether any such spaces are within the study area for assessment, and this should be confirmed in the ES.	An assessment of the wind microclimate at all amenity space balconies) within the Proposed Development has been under Elevated amenity levels of surrounding buildings have been i Proposed Development. In the majority of cases, introduction provide shelter to the surroundings, which is particularly appli otherwise very exposed.
		RWDI have reviewed potential impacts to off-site balconie relevant from a Wind point of view are highlighted below:

oment has been included as part of the ES based ents. It is noted that as the future year modelling c already includes some construction flows for on traffic will be inherent to the assessment.

sity impact assessment, while the ES uses the ental effects as set out in DMRB LA104 and the

ets TA guidance and the proposed public realm the Healthy Streets approach. Mitigation set out asures.

ways on several occasions and will be set out in ricing Plan. The EIA is not the appropriate place ne with national DMRB and IEMA guidelines.

gh the provision of EV rapid charging and cargo individual residents of the site such as grocery or control a condition such as this is not deemed

opment will be included as part of the ES based ents. It is noted that as the future year modelling c already includes some construction flows for on traffic will be inherent to the assessment.

city impact assessment, while the ES uses the ental effects as set out in DMRB LA104 and the

ice (including open space, rooftops and dertaken as appropriate.

n included for sites in very close proximity to the on of building massing would be anticipated to plicable to elevated spaces which tend to be

and the figure below shows the ones that are

4.9.3	As stated in Paragraph 335 of the Scoping Report, effects during demolition and construction are to be assessed using professional judgement (qualitatively) within the ES, which is considered acceptable. For the avoidance of doubt, the ES should provide assessment of wind effects during construction utilising the worst-case scenario, such as with cranes in situ. It should be clear where professional judgement has been applied.	Any others are unlikely to be affected by the development as Noted, however, the demolition and construction milestone of worst-case scenario for a specific site. Appropriate judgeme
4.9.4	LBTH consider that City of London (CoL) Microclimate Guidelines (August 2019), should inform the assessment methodology given the location of the Application Site is adjacent to in a significant growth area (as per the site allocation in Tower Hamlets Local Plan 2031: Managing Growth and Sharing the Benefits (2020)). However, it is not considered that Annex A of the CoL Microclimate Guidelines can be applied to LBTH as the guidelines confirm these parameters have been scaled specifically for CoL. LBTH consider that any dining areas should meet the City Lawson Criteria for frequent sitting i.e. 2.5m/s.	The CoL WMG, including the criteria that are applied are de of public realm within the City of London. This may be applied as Canary Wharf (i.e., predominantly office uses with small has a very different environment. It is considered that the s criteria, which already contains an appropriate threshold crit From a technical perspective, a number of the minimum technical already considered in RWDI's wind tunnel methodology.
	LBTH expects an initial assessment of the Proposed Development should be undertaken using Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD), and that the results of the CDF analysis contribute to the design of the Proposed Development and/or the mitigation measures which may be required to achieve suitable conditions for the proposed uses on-site. LBTH expects wind tunnel testing will then be undertaken on the final scheme to inform the wind microclimate aspect chapter. Wind tunnel testing will be undertaken to assess wind conditions at various receptors' location and the suitability of the intended uses. Scenarios to be tested are:	Initial CFD was not undertaken, however early wind tunnels design. The wind assessment has been undertaken based on the ag the illustrative scheme to provide comfort on the outline explanation of this approach is presented within ES Volume
	Baseline (Existing Application Site + Existing Surrounding Context);	
	 Proposed Development (detailed element only) + Existing Surrounding Context; 	
	 Proposed Development (detailed and outline elements) + Existing Surrounding Context; 	
	 Proposed Development (detailed and outline elements + Future Surrounding Context (cumulative schemes); and 	

as they are too far away. e of "with cranes in situ" may not reflect the nents have been applied.

derived specifically for the street-scape and uses licable to a certain extent in areas of LBTH such all street patterns), however the Aberfeldy Estate standard LDDC variant of the Lawson Comfort riteria for sitting use should be utilized.

echnical requirements of the CoL guidelines are

I studies were undertaken to inform the massing

agreed configurations and also an assessment of ne maximum parameters assessment. Further ne 1, Chapter 2: Methodology

	 Future Baseline (Existing Application Site + Future Surrounding Context). 	
	If mitigation measures are required to ensure wind conditions are suitable for their intended use, wind tunnel testing of these measures is to be undertaken and any results provided in the ES. The ES should set out exactly what measures are required for mitigation and how these will be secured. It must be ensured that all mitigation measures and landscaping proposed and tested in the wind microclimate aspect chapter are proposed within the landscaping strategy, as there are often discrepancies where required mitigation measures are not brought forward in other planning application documents.	Mitigation principles and/or broad strategies could be prover remains the case that details associated with the scheme geo would be subject to change to be determined at reserved relements of the Proposed Development will be mitigated.
	The ES should consider whether future monitoring is required to test actual conditions of the Proposed Development.	Monitoring is typically only conducted on localised areas whe on the environment associated with wind have been witness large areas, where pedestrians and/or vehicles would be fre utilising a significant period of statistical wind data also, ther to gather appropriate data could be extensive. Fortunately conducted such manifestations of adverse wind effects are ve no assessment was originally carried out prior to its constr monitoring would be required.
	A study area covering a 450 m radius from the centre of the Application Site will be used, which LBTH considers to be acceptable.	Figures of the intended uses of the Proposed Development h elements (based on the illustrative scheme) and the detail considerations where applicable. Target criteria forms part of
	 The following plans should be included in the ES: The intended uses of the Application Site (e.g. the open spaces, thoroughfares, entrances); What conditions are being targeted (e.g. open space should be suitable for sitting); and The mitigation measures relied upon. 	the accompanying reporting. The mitigation measures to be the ES Volume 1, Chapter 13: Wind Microclimate , notwith with regards to the maximum parameters.
	This allows the reader to understand the basis of the assessment and provides the opportunity to contest the uses and anticipated wind categories. For the avoidance of doubt, results are to be presented for both the windiest season, and summer season.	
	Any spaces that are proposed as part of the Proposed Development, and that are relied upon by the Applicant to provide amenity, should have wind conditions suitable for this use.	Amenity spaces within the Proposed Development have be assessment, with a focus upon summer season conditions used. For these areas, a mixture of standing and sitting cond amenity spaces, and for private balconies, standing is approp these uses must be considered safe with no exceedances a Where seating is specifically provided, conditions suitable f sought.
	The assessment should demonstrate how climate change has been considered within the Wind Microclimate aspect chapter of the ES, noting that the UK Climate Projections 2018 (UKCP18) states "an increase in near surface wind speeds over the UK for the second half of the 21st century for the winter season [is predicted] when more significant impacts of wind are experienced. This is accompanied by an increase in frequency of winter storms over the UK" Whilst it is acknowledged that "the increase in wind speeds is modest compared to interannual variability for the PPE-15", more extreme wind conditions are predicted overall.	In combination climate change effects are presented in ES worth noting that the data used within the analysis does statist the data is collected. As such, consideration of these tremicroclimate assessment included within the ES. UKCP18 scenario, as noted.
4.11 Built Heri	СС С С С С С С С С С С С С С С С С С С	
	The Scoping Report includes a list of the heritage assets most directly affected by the Proposed Development within Paragraph 371 and 372 of the Scoping Report and shown within Figure 10, noting that all heritage assets to be assessed are yet be agreed with LBTH. LBTH consider that a zone of visual influence is provided to inform the heritage assets to be scoped into the assessment. However, from an initial consideration it is considered that the following should also be assessed: • Maritime Greenwich World Heritage Site and Scheduled Monument;	Annex 6 of the ES Volume 2, Townscape Visual Impact A – Part 1 presents the Zone of Theoretical Visibility (ZTV), wh with the potential to be directly affected by the Proposed assessed within the ES are presented within ES Volume 2, Built Heritage Assessment - Part 2
	Three Mills Conservation Area;	
	Limehouse Cut Conservation Area;	
	Lansbury Conservation Area;	
	Naval Row Conservation Area;	

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oven against the illustrative scheme, however it geometry and specific target uses across the site d matters stages. Where required the detailed

where anecdotally, wind issues or adverse effects ssed. It is impractical to conduct monitoring over frequent also. Wind assessments are conducted herefore the timelines associated with monitoring ely, with robust wind assessments having been very rare, and typically occur on schemes where struction. It is therefore not anticipated that any

t have been included within the ES for the outline ailed elements in particular, including seasonal t of the methodology and discussion sections of be relied upon have been clearly outlined within vithstanding the previously mentioned approach

been assessed as part of the wind microclimate as when these spaces are to be most frequently onditions is considered appropriate in more open opriate where no seating is provided. In all cases, as annually of the distress criteria for all seasons. the for sitting (during the summer season) will be

S Volume 1, Chapter 9: Climate Change. It is atistically identify trends over the period for when trends are inherently included within the wind 8 and not UKCP09, informs the climate change

t Assessment and Built Heritage Assessment which has been used to establish heritage assets ad Development. The full list of heritage assets 2, Townscape Visual Impact Assessment and

•	All Saints Church Conservation Area;
•	Northern portal and parapet to the Blackwall Tunnel (Grade II);
•	East India Dock Wall and Gateway (Grade II);
•	Poplar Baths (Grade II);
•	Statue of Richard Green (Grade II);
•	Church of St Saviours (Grade II);
•	Twelvetrees Crescent Bridge (Grade II);
•	Group of Gasholders former Bromley-by-Bow gasworks (Grade II);
•	Northern Ventilation Shaft to the Blackwall Tunnel (Grade II);
•	Dry Dock at Blackwall Engineering (Grade II);
•	Blackwall Pier (Grade II);
•	Trinity House (Grade II);
•	Royal Oak Public House (Grade II);
•	162 St Leonards Road Locally listed building;
•	159-167 St Leonards Road locally listed buildings;
•	Dowgate Wharf, 22 Gillender Street (Grade II) and 21-22 Gillender Street locally listed buildings
•	18 Follet Street locally listed building;
•	Mission House locally listed building;
•	St Freideswide Halls locally listed building; and
•	Heritage assets within the identified Conservation Areas

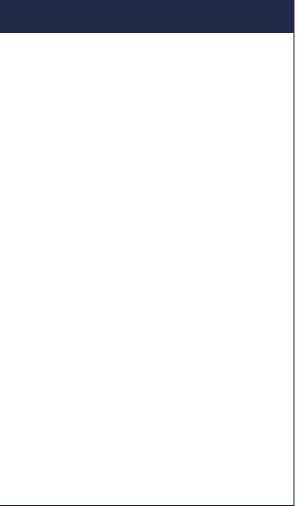


Table 3: EIA Scoping – Topics Scoped Out

5.1 Ecolo	ogy and Biodiversity	
5.1	LBTH notes that the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (PEA) (presented in Appendix E of the Scoping Report and upon which the above justification is based) was undertaken for a site area of 7.35 ha, rather than the 9.69 ha area of the Application Site, with the main section of the Application Site not having been included within the PEA being Jolly's Green. LBTH considers that whilst the wildlife habitat of Jolly's Green is unknown, it is by far the most biodiverse area within the Application Site boundary and the Applicant should note that there have been several recent biodiversity enhancement projects at Jolly's Green, led by Trees for Cities, working with the local community. LBTH considers that the Applicant should update the PEA with the correct Application Site boundary, to enable LBTH to successfully consider whether an Ecology and Biodiversity aspect chapter can be scoped out of the ES. Noting that the Scoping Report does not confirm whether the areas of open space within the Application Site are to be retained as part of the Proposed Development. LBTH therefore, requires an Ecology and Biodiversity aspect chapter to be scoped into the ES , unless the Applicant can provide the updated PEA including Jolly's green and further details regarding the proposals for the areas of open spaces to demonstrate likely significant effects are not likely to occur.	The PEA submitted alongside the scoping report did not include existing Jolly's Green open space is not included within the appli open spaces are to be improved, it is considered that there is no re the ES. The Proposed Development is unlikely to result in signific final red line Site boundary has been prepared and is submitted in
	The Proposed Development has the potential to enhance biodiversity and achieve biodiversity net gain through biodiverse roofs and other biodiversity enhancements, which will be required in accordance with the relevant planning policy. A Biodiversity Net Gain assessment is to be undertaken. Ecological enhancements should contribute to the local biodiversity action plan (LBAP).	The Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment has been prepared a Application.
5.3 Geoe	environmental (ground conditions, groundwater, land take and soils)	
	For the Proposed Development, key mitigation and management controls should form part of a CEMP for the demolition and construction works and it is noted that the Applicant states in Paragraph 217 of the Scoping Report that this would be prepared in advance of any works commencing on-site. This should be presented in the ES to help define the policies, procedures, and management framework for the implementation of any identified specific geoenvironmental management and mitigation controls and monitoring.	An Outline CEMP is appended to the ES within ES Volume 3, Ap 1.
5.5 Proje	ct Vulnerability	
	LBTH does not agree to scope out major accidents and disasters from the ES and that relevant risks of accidents and disasters, such as those referred to above, are to be assessed within the ES. However, it is considered that a standalone major accidents and disaster aspect chapter is not required given the nature and context of the Proposed Development and noting the Health and Safety Executive's consultation response confirms the Application Site does not life within the consultation distance of a major hazard site or major accident hazard pipeline.	A review of the IEMA guidance (2020) 'Major Accidents and Dis and the approach which was followed in the EIA Scoping Report As per the guidance, the Proposed Development has been scree significant effects from major accidents and natural disasters. It is be unlikely to result in significant effects from most major accident winds is considered within ES Volume 1, Chapter 11: Wind Mid considered within ES Volume 1, Chapter 10: Daylight, Sunlight Glare as relevant)
5.7 Wast	e	
5.7	" the Applicant is reminded that IEMA's Guide to: Materials and Waste in Environmental Impact Assessment considers materials to be a sensitive receptor, in addition to landfill capacity. Given that the Scoping Report does not consider materials, unless the Applicant can adequately justify that no likely significant effects will occur on materials during the demolition and construction of the Proposed Development, and once the Proposed Development is operational, LBTH considers that a Materials assessment and aspect chapter	Further justification on this point is therefore provided below: Demolition and Construction: During demolition and construction the Proposed Development will be sourced from the Site, in terr LBTH and London.
	should be scoped into the ES.	In accordance with IEMA's guide to Materials and Waste in Environment considered to be sensitive receptors and include <i>"physical reso development. Examples include concrete, aggregate, asphalt, br</i> Mitigation: IEMA's guide to Materials and Waste in Environment
		 of mitigation measures to prevent or reduce adverse effects relat Primary mitigation measures: are <i>"an intrinsic part of the a action to be taken"</i>³; for example, choosing to refurbish are

¹ Defined by IEMA's guide to Materials and Waste in Environmental Impact Assessment (2020) as 'waste' materials that go through an acceptable recovery process, to lose their status as 'waste' and become materials for other uses. ² IEMA, (2020); IEMA guide to: Materials and Waste in Environmental Impact Assessment.

³ IEMA, (2020); IEMA guide to: Materials and Waste in Environmental Impact Assessment (page 19).



lude the final application site boundary. As the plication site / red line boundary and the existing o requirement for this aspect to be included within ficant effects. An updated PEA which reflects the d in support of the planning application.

for the Site and accompanies the Planning

Appendix: Demolition and Construction – Annex

Disasters in EIA: A Primer has been undertaken, ort is considered to align with this new guidance. reened to determine its potential to result in likely t is considered the Proposed Development would ents and natural disasters. The potential for strong **licroclimate** and any potential for Solar Glare is **pht, Overshadowing, Light Pollution and Solar**

on, it is anticipated that materials for constructing erms of any 'waste for recovery'¹ and within the

nvironmental Impact Assessment², materials are asources that are used across the lifecycle of a bricks, ballast, mortar, glass and timber."

ntal Impact Assessment refers to different types lating to materials and waste:

e development, and do not require additional an existing building, rather than demolish it;

Secondary mitigation measures: are "foreseeable actions brought out by the environmental assessment process, and that have not previously been achieved through primary and tertiary mechanisms"⁴; for example, the implementation of a Procurements Strategy or Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) (or equivalent) or Operational Waste Management Strategy; and

Tertiary mitigation measures: are "those that are in place with or without the iterative EIA process" and include "those that will be undertaken to meet existing legislative requirements, of those that are considered standard practices used to manage commonly occurring environmental effects" 5; for example, sending waste to active and permitted waste management sites, which have to adhere to the requirements of the Environmental Permitting Regulations⁶, whereby carrying out certain types of activity (such as receiving waste for landfill) requires an active and permitted waste management site to hold an environmental permit to do so.

In view of the above, measures will be implemented to reduce the quantity of materials used during the construction of the Proposed Development. The key construction materials will be:

- Recovered from off-site sources (e.g. donor sites) as far as reasonably practicable;
- Sourced locally as far as reasonably practicable;
- Sourced in accordance with The Green Guide to Specification⁷ to reduce the environmental impact of the construction of the Proposed Development by an informed and responsible selection of construction materials and components (for example, for the floors, roofs, walls, windows, insulation and landscaping of the Proposed Development);
- Reclaimed or recycled materials, where feasible; •
- Sourced via a defined Procurement Strategy, which will select materials with a percentage of recyclable content where feasible;
- Managed via the implementation of a CEMP (or equivalent), which will include measures such as:
- A 'just-in-time' material delivery system to avoid materials being stockpiled and spoiled during bad weather:
- Consideration of material quantity requirement to avoid over-ordering and generation of waste • materials: and
- Designated storage area for new building materials, to reduce the risk of damage / spoiling. •
 - Measures such as the above shall be implemented pursuant to planning conditions; therefore, it is considered that significant adverse effects of the demolition and construction of the Proposed Development on materials would be unlikely.

On the basis of the above, an assessment of demolition and construction effects on materials is scoped out; however, the ES sets out:

- The approximate type and guantities / volumes of materials that are anticipated to be required for the construction of the Proposed Development;
- The sustainability credentials of materials (if known); and •
- The commitment to undertaking the measures outlined above.

Any necessary mitigation measures relating to the above points are included in ES Volume 1, Chapter 17: Mitigation and Monitoring. These measures could be secured through a condition by the LBTH.

⁷ BRE, (2009); The Green Guide to Specification, Fourth Edition.



⁴ IEMA, (2020); IEMA guide to: Materials and Waste in Environmental Impact Assessment (page 27).

⁵ IEMA, (2020); IEMA guide to: Materials and Waste in Environmental Impact Assessment (page 20).

⁶ The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016