

**STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND**

**BETWEEN**

**ENFIELD COUNCIL**

**AND**

**NATURAL ENGLAND**

In respect of Enfield Council's Edmonton Leaside Area Action Plan (2019) (ELAAP)

This Statement of Common Ground has been prepared to identify areas of agreement between Enfield Council and Natural England on matters relating to the Council's Edmonton Leaside Area Action Plan (2019) following its Examination in Public.

**General Areas of Agreement**

The Council, through its modifications to the Edmonton Leaside Area Action Plan (ELAAP), following its Examination in Public, commits to the following:

- Not pursuing any SIL release as part of the ELAAP;
- Designating 5,000 units as the residential capacity to be delivered through ELAAP;
- Re-aligning ELAAP with Enfield's adopted Core Strategy; and
- Strategically addressing capacity for a further 5,000 residential units, as well as other strategic matters, through Enfield's new Local Plan 2036.

The below areas of agreement are to be read in light of these commitments.

Both parties recognise that development must not negatively impact on areas of ecological importance, particularly through recreational disturbance. Natural England recently issued advice (dated 06-03-2019 Appendix 1), outlining measures which would contribute to avoiding and mitigating recreational effects as part of the emerging mitigation strategy for the Epping Forest SAC and will continue to work this through Enfield New Local Plan process.

Natural England confirm that the Council's Habitats Regulation Assessment for the Edmonton Leaside Area Action Plan as published as part of the Examination in Public remains adequate in light of the proposed modifications.

**Signed on behalf of Enfield Council**

**Signed on behalf of Natural England**

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