

Louise St John Howe Examination Programme Officer

Our ref:

Date: 5 June 2025

Dear Ms St John Howe

Re: Harrow Local Plan Examination – Matter 4 – Statement in relation to Question 5.30

We act on behalf of The Keepers And Governors of the Possessions, Revenues and Goods of the Free Grammar School of John Lyon, who are the owner of the land subject to the proposed amendment to the boundary of Metropolitan Open Land (MOL01). The land in question is operated by Harrow School. Although it is noted that the local authority will respond to this question in due course, our client considered it might be helpful to the Inspector to secure the response of the landowner.

The land proposed to be removed from MOL as part of the change is land that is subject to a planning permission that is in the process of implementation for the School Sports and Sciences Building. The building is substantial, and as a result the land proposed to be removed will no longer offer openness to MOL. However, the Inspector will have noted that, in the Council's submission Atlas of Change, other land in the School estate (that is slightly larger than that proposed to be removed from MOL) will be designated as MOL instead.

It is considered, by the School, that not only does this constitute exceptional circumstances, but it will actually provide an overall benefit to MOL in the area.

I hope that this is of assistance to the Inspector, but if any further information is needed please do not hesitate to contact me at the details below.

Yours sincerely

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