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Lord Balfe to address the Capital Club Breakfast on 22 November 2017

JBP is delighted to invite you to the next Capital Club breakfast, which takes place on:

- **Date:** 22 November
- **Time:** 8.00am
- **Location:** Guildhall, Gresham Street, London
- Free to members. Non-members £40

We are pleased to announce that our next speaker will be Lord Balfe, who will be speaking about the impact of Brexit on the City of London on the morning of the Budget.

Lord Balfe is a Conservative life peer in the House of Lords. He was an MEP from 1979-2004, as well as being a Member of the Greater London Council from 1973-1977.

You can read more about the event [here](#).

On 24 January 2018, the Capital Club Breakfast will be addressed by Doug Taylor, Leader of Enfield Council.

A strong advocate of Crossrail 2, Doug will be discussing what the new line means for development in Enfield. Find out more about the event [here](#).

If you would like to register your interest in our events please email James Turgoose or call 020 3267 0074.



Draft London Plan to be published this month

The Mayor's [new London Plan](#) is the key planning document for London. It is expected a draft will be released this month for comment with a view to final adoption next year. Changes that have been publicly floated ahead of the release include:

- Increase to 66,000 the number of new homes per year, compared to the 2016 plan's 45,000. It will sharply increase the annual targets of over a dozen boroughs, and will particularly affect Newham (which will be told to build 38,500 homes over 10 years) and Tower Hamlets (35,110).
- Set a target of two thirds of the target for new homes being affordable.



Draft London Housing Strategy released

Under public consultation until December 7th, the recently released [draft housing strategy](#) sets out the overall aims which the London Plan will seek to achieve.

It includes:

- Pledges over £3.15 billion of affordable housing investment over the next three years, and emphasises the vital role which higher density development schemes and the development of brownfield sites will play in solving the housing crisis.
- Recognition of the increasing role of private rented sector with the promise of funds for new the encouragement of new player and the ambition to create a "London model" for standards in the private rented sector



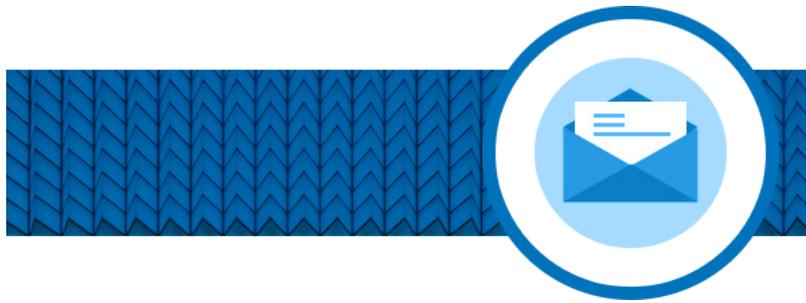
One week left to engage with the Draft London Environment Strategy

Sadiq Khan's [Draft London Environment Strategy](#) will close for comment next week on the 17 November, after being open for consultation over the last three months. The Strategy spells out the Mayor's ambitions to create a 'green' Capital.

Within its recommendations, the strategy is attempting to bring together a whole range of identified problems, divided into the following areas:

- Air quality
- Green infrastructure
- Climate change mitigation & energy
- Waste
- Adapting to climate change
- Ambient noise

If you want to engage with the Mayor about the Draft London Plan, Housing Strategy or Environment Strategy, contact our Head of Political Engagement Paul Smith at paul.smith@jbp.co.uk



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