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Please find document attached.

My representation concerns the environmental policies. Help secure the future. Demand what is needed. Best of luck.

Kind regards,

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Islington Labour Environment Forum.

I have read the sections of the proposed S&DM Policies document directly dealing with the environment- 5,6, & 7- and will focus on them.

- In these sections at least there is excellent overall detail but very little specific to the area. How does using York Way Station fit in, for example?
- Policy G2 doesn't guarantee any protection of green spaces. Improvements to be "investigated" where open space is lost (C.i.v) is vague. Haringey have promised no net loss of open space. Islington's green space is already relatively very low so all the more reason to protect it. If Haringey can pledge to protect all open space surely we can make the compromise to have no net loss of green space in Islington. Especially as green space helps future proof against flooding in a changing global climate. Of all boroughs, surely Islington should be looking to *increase* green space?
- Policy G4, section C, clause x could be expanded to "integration of food growing opportunities, especially community gardens and orchards."
- Policy S1 has a target of 2050. Given the impact of the sector, this has to be in contradiction to the Council's Emergency Climate Change target of 2030.

Reaching net zero by 2030 is a moon shot. To make it we have to set ambitious targets and put pressure on the government and other areas to help us meet them. Strategically, it is of little value being complicit in 2050 targets. "Striving" isn't enough.

If there are contractual or other money issues, then, how much extra will be needed? Be honest and be ambitious. State the ballpark amount required for negotiations to meet 2030 and compare it to the (global and local) cost, the human and financial, if 2030 targets aren't met. Demand the legislation, funding, jobs, and other resources to make 2030!

- S4 section G – What does "clearly demonstrated" mean in practice?

Obviously a rich council that doesn't reduce carbon emissions very much isn't much good.

Overall, an impressive and ambitious plan that could go the last few yards because the stakes are so high.