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Subject: Proposed Alterations to Haringey's Strategic Policies

## **Hornsey Pensioners Action Group**

## Response to the Proposed Alterations to Haringey's Adopted Strategic Policies

## **Planning Policy**

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We apologise if this response is not in the correct format, but we wish to make comments on Housing Policy as it affects older people.

The last two meetings of the Hornsey Pensioners Action Group drew attention to the fact that many older people may need help to move into more suitable accommodation. For this they need help and advice. Present housing policies and planning committee guidelines do not include the provision of suitable homes for downsizing (neither for rent or purchase) and there is little advice on offer. Also I could not find a reference to house adaptation for older people.

Enabling older people to down-size may release properties suitable for families. It could lead to a more comfortable and healthy living environment and thus reduce hospitalisation.

None of the amendments refer to the needs of older people, and none refer to co-housing projects that may solve the living alone problems common in the elderly.

Identified relevant alterations are: 7, 23, 25, and 52. But none of these refer to age.

In the Strategic Plan SP2, paragraph 3.2.2 could have included regard to the housing needs of older people.

The reports of HPAG meetings are attached.

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The reports of HPAG the February & March meetings are attached.

Another relevant report is: "An Age Friendly City -how far has London come?"

http://www.kcl.ac.uk/newsevents/news/newsrecords/2015/March/How-far-has-London-come-as-An-Age-Friendly-City.aspx?utm source=homepage&utm medium=hero&utm campaign=london-age-friendly-city

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