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Via Programme Officer

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Dear Sir,

North London Waste Plan

I wrote to you on 3 December 2019 to tell you that the Boroughs were going to deal with the issues raised by the representors and yourself at the hearings through main modifications. I am writing to update you on progress on the modifications.

The Boroughs are making good progress on the main modifications but are now facing the issue of the pre-election period relating to the elections for the Mayor of London on 7 May 2020. Unfortunately this was not factored in when discussing next steps at the close of the hearings.

The pre-election period begins on 23 March and in local government specific restrictions on communications activity come into play. Boroughs are advised to consider carefully before starting any new consultations or publish report findings from consultation exercises, which could be politically sensitive. The NLWP falls into that category. To avoid the strictures of the pre-election period would have meant starting and finishing the main modification consultation before 23 March which has not proved possible.

The Boroughs intend to get everything in place so that consultation could start in May after the elections and will update you on progress.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Archie Onslow'.

Archie Onslow
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