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**Date: 16 December 2014**

Dear Boris,

**London Housing Strategy**

Following the 11 November 2014 meeting of the Housing Committee, I write on behalf of the Committee to request further information on, and elicit your responses to, a number of points.

The Committee would like to know:

- The number of allocations made to Members of the Armed Forces in London since the change to the allocations policy in November 2012 which gave them additional preference;
- Why the GLA's target for family-sized accommodation is based on 3-beds and above, when the SHMA indicated London would need 18% more 4-bed homes; and
- What work the GLA is doing to identify and help small- and medium-sized building firms acquire land for development.

In addition, the Committee requests a copy of the GLA's response to the London Chamber of Commerce and Industry's report *Skills to Build*.<sup>1</sup>

I would be very grateful to receive your response by Friday 16 January 2015.

Yours sincerely,



**Darren Johnson AM**  
Chair of the Housing Committee

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<sup>1</sup> "Skills to Build", LCCI/KPMG Construction Skills Index (London and the South East), 2014;  
[www.londonchamber.co.uk/DocImages/12960.pdf](http://www.londonchamber.co.uk/DocImages/12960.pdf)