

# Introduction

In his report into the 'Further Alterations to the London Plan' the Planning Inspector recommended there be an immediate full review of the London Plan<sup>1</sup>. As part of this full review, the economic evidence base which underpins the London Plan as well as a range of other Mayoral strategies will be updated.

To that end, this report sets out a draft version of the economic evidence base. It represents data available up to the beginning of December 2015. It is a work-in-progress and should not be viewed as a definitive outline of the GLA's economic evidence base to be used in strategy development. In part, the report is being published to allow for views on the economic evidence base to be aired prior to strategy development. The evidence base will be updated before the strategies are finally developed.

As well as the executive summary and introduction, this draft version of the economic evidence base consists of 7 chapters. Chapter 1 looks at London's position in the global economy and the forces of globalisation acting upon it. Chapter 2 looks at the spatial nature of London's economy. Chapter 3 sets out some indicators of London's economic success. Chapter 4 looks at some of the risks likely to face London's economy in the next few decades with Chapter 5 looking in more detail at London's environment. Chapter 6 looks at London's population and its labour market before Chapter 7 looks at other socio-economic issues in London.

Any comments on the economic evidence base should be directed to [GLAEconomics@london.gov.uk](mailto:GLAEconomics@london.gov.uk).

## Introduction endnotes

<sup>1</sup> Planning Inspector's report into the Further Alterations of the London Plan: <https://www.london.gov.uk/file/20679/download?token=DPerSdTu>