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Dear Councillor Dolezal

**Outline Planning Application 12/AP/1092 (Lend Lease Phase 2 Heygate Estate Masterplan Site)**

I am writing to ask you that consider scheduling the planning committee hearing for the above outline planning application over two or three evenings, rather than one as currently proposed.

We ask this because it is the largest such application ever considered by the Committee, with wide strategic importance beyond the immediate Opportunity Area and in the light of the numerous representations that have been submitted to the council. Furthermore we calculate that there are 191 documents on Southwark's planning application website, and we believe one evening is unlikely to be able to do justice to this volume of information presented by the applicant in support of this application.

A longer period of consideration will give the opportunity for greater councillor scrutiny of the evidence, as well as providing time for the likely volume of representations – which we believe in the end will improve the outcome of the process.

I should note that there is a precedent for consideration of major applications such as this over several days – for example the Kings Cross development submission by Argent was considered by Camden Council over three evenings, structured as follows:

- First evening: officers' reports, deputations and applicant's response
- Second evening: further representations and ward councillors' responses
- Final evening: committee discussions and decision

I append to this letter an extract from the Camden Council subcommittee meeting demonstrating how the meetings were scheduled.

I hope that you will consider this proposal, and look forward to hearing from you

Regards

Luke Miller

For Elephant Amenity Network, <http://elephantamenity.wordpress.com/>

**Annex 1:**

**Extract from Camden Council General Purposes Sub-Committee meeting notification dated 27th February 2006 re the Kings Cross Development Applications.**

**GENERAL PURPOSES (DEVELOPMENT CONTROL) SUB-COMMITTEE**

**RE: KING'S CROSS DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS – ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MEETING**

**Meetings Timetable**

The King's Cross development applications (Schedule attached) will be considered by the Development Control Sub-Committee over three meetings held in the Camden Council Chamber in the Town Hall, Judd Street, London WC1H 9JE on the following dates and times:

- **Wednesday 8th March 2006 at 7.00pm**
- **Thursday 9th March 2006 at 6.00pm**
- **Thursday 9th March 2006 at 7.00pm**

The first meeting on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March will deal with:

- The Council Officers' presentation on the applications
- The deputations from the public; and
- The applicants' response.

The second meeting at 6.00 pm on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2006 will deal with any remaining representations to the Sub-Committee including any from Ward Councillors.

The last meeting at 7.00pm on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2006 will be for the Sub-Committee to discuss the applications and then make its final decisions.