

*These notes refer to the Greater London Authority Act 2007
(c.24) which received Royal Assent on 23 October 2007*

GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY ACT 2007

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY

Part 7: Planning

Local development schemes

Section 30: Local development schemes

79. The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (“the 2004 Act”) provides for local development schemes (LDSs). The LDS is the local planning authority's workplan for the production of local development documents (LDDs). This section amends the 2004 Act to require local planning authorities in Greater London to send a copy of their draft LDS to the Mayor who may direct that changes be made to it. It also allows the Mayor to direct the borough to prepare a revision to their LDS. The purpose is to ensure that key policies of the regional plan (the London Plan) are reflected in LDDs in a timely manner.
80. In considering whether to issue a direction and what its content should be, the Mayor must have regard to any guidance issued by the Secretary of State. Local planning authorities must comply with the direction unless the Secretary of State directs otherwise.