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Dear Mr Ridout,

**Freedom of Information Act 2000**  
**Request for Information: Information Provided**  
**Please quote our reference: E29407**  
**Subject: Stratford Town Centre Improvements**

We write with regard to your recent enquiry for information held by the Council under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We trust that the information provided is satisfactory. You are free to use the information for your personal use only. For future reference we publish information on our website, including the Freedom of Information Publication Scheme and summary of Freedom of Information requests and responses that may be of help to you in searching for information.

It is important to note that under the Privacy and Electronic Communications (EC Directive) Regulations 2003 the Council asks not to receive unsolicited marketing communication.

### **Request and Response**

Following the consultation on “Stratford Town Centre Improvements” which identified “introducing a 20 mph speed limit” as a “key improvement” and in the light of the 92% support from those responding to the consultation:

(a) What changes, if any, have been identified since the consultation and before the Cabinet meeting of 4 May 2017 to support the removal of a 20 mph limit from the scheme as agreed by the Cabinet;

**All informal consultation results, local stakeholder feedback and engineering experience contribute to the final proposed scheme design that is put forward to Cabinet for approval. This means that a number of elements are considered or revised throughout the design process. In this instance the scheme has had no major physical changes after consultation, but consideration was given to the impact on traffic speeds and movements in surrounding residential roads if a strategic road was to**

have lower speeds. This consideration informed the final proposal, however the response as part of the informal consultation and the need to ensure key improvements in traffic flows and safety, are why the scheme still retains the physical features that will naturally assist with safe traffic movements and speeds.

(b) Were any documents produced recording either the decision to omit the 20 mph limit from the scheme as presented in the Report to the Cabinet for its meeting of 4 May or recording the reasons for this;

**No formal decision was taken to omit or include any scheme elements beyond the final scheme approval at Cabinet, therefore no other decision documentation exists.**

(c) If so please, provide a copy of any record;

**Please see our response to Question (b) above.**

(d) Were there any discussions concerning the omission of the 20 mph speed limit at the Cabinet meeting of 4 May, or at Cabinet level at any other Cabinet meeting;

**The full minutes of the Cabinet meeting are publicly available through the Council's website.**

**For your ease of reference, please see the relevant weblink below.**

**<https://mgov.newham.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=294&MId=11217&Ver=4>**

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(e) If so please provide a copy of any record.

**Please see our response to Question (d) above.**

If you require any further information or are not happy with our response please do not hesitate to contact a member of our team on (020) 8430 2000 or email us at [information.governance@newham.gov.uk](mailto:information.governance@newham.gov.uk).

Yours sincerely,

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