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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## WHAT'S THE STORY?

Surrey Canal is one of five strategic sites identified in the LB Lewisham Local Development Framework Core Strategy for significant mixed use development, aiming to bring about growth and regeneration in one of the most deprived areas in the borough and inner London. The site is currently underperforming, both in terms of its use and overall potential. There is a desperate need for an overarching vision and a clear place making strategy.

The five development sites (Surrey Canal Triangle, Convoys Wharf, Oxestalls Road, Plough Way and Lewisham Gateway) will together with a number of other sites contribute to the delivery of Lewisham's Core Strategy – a key planning document that will guide change in the Borough over the next 15 years.

To deliver the aspirations of the Core Strategy, the proposed masterplan will focus on a series of vital components that collectively will shape a high-quality, high density, mixed-use neighbourhood on the site.

This new community aims to deliver:

- A borough wide destination focusing on sports and healthy living, which will include a regional sports centre for London and the South East...
- 2,000 new jobs...
- Better connections and improved transport links including a new station at Surrey Canal Road on the East London Line phase 2 extension...
- A Multifaith Community Centre...
- Business and Creative Incubation Centres...
- An improved stadium for Millwall Football Club...
- New and enhanced publicly accessible open space...
- 2,500 new homes...

...all whilst retaining the existing stadium in its current form and operation.

This document builds upon the following work which has been undertaken by the LB Lewisham:

- The Urban Initiative Links Study 2008;
- The Roger Tym Employment Report 2008;
- The EDAW Socio Economic Study 2008;

The proposed scheme as presented in this document has evolved over a period of several years and through extensive pre-application discussions with the Mayor and Cabinet, local elected Members, MPs, London Assembly Members for the London Boroughs of Lewisham, Southwark and Greenwich, the Greater London Authority, Transport for London, CABE, Network Rail, Millwall Football Club and wider public consultations.

This Design & Access Statement forms part of the Outline Planning Application for Surrey Canal, and should be read in conjunction with the associated Development Specification, supporting documentation and Planning Application Drawings as listed in chapter 12 and 13.