

# MAYOR OF LONDON

**Rt Hon Lord Barker of Battle**

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Dear Greg,

Thank you for your letter informing me of your resignation as Chair of the London Sustainable Development Commission (LSDC). I appreciate your gracious consideration and am glad that you had a good discussion with my Deputy Mayor for Environment and Energy, Shirley Rodrigues. I am sorry that we did not have a chance to meet. However, I would like to say a few words of thanks on behalf of the Greater London Authority (GLA) for your contribution to sustainable development and the LSDC since you were appointed in 2014.

Under your chairmanship the LSDC has not only provided valuable advice on strategies and plans - but also led ground breaking research leading to the publication of the *Better Future* report on the concept of creating a cleantech cluster for London; the *Employment and Circular Economy* report and the development and promotion of an award for sustainability in high-density residential housing in London. This is a significant legacy and provides a good foundation as I implement my vision for London.

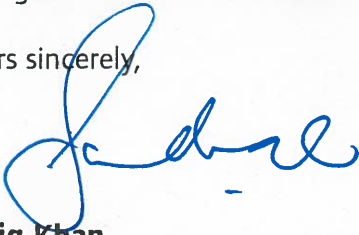
I have asked Shirley to review the LSDC's future work programme and structure, with the aim of ensuring that we are making best use of the LSDC's expertise, maximising delivery, improving diversity and addressing the challenges that London faces. I hope to start the recruitment process for the new Chair of the LSDC shortly.

My team and I are very grateful for all of the work that you put into chairing the Commission and in particular in helping to raise its profile across key stakeholders. I have asked Shirley to host farewell drinks to mark your departure, which officers are currently organising.

I take this opportunity on behalf of the GLA, LSDC commissioners and secretariat to wish you all the best for the future.

With good wishes and renewed thanks for your contribution.

Yours sincerely,



**Sadiq Khan**  
Mayor of London