

### Response to consultation 1 - Permitted Development for Shale Gas Exploration consultation

*“The London Borough of Bromley welcomes the opportunity to comment on the consultation by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government on the principle of granting planning permission for non-hydraulic shale gas exploration development through a permitted development right. Objections are raised to the introduction of permitted development rights for shale gas exploration as this would remove the need for a full planning permission, taking the decision making powers away from the Local Planning Authority. The impacts of the proposal on the locality would therefore not be assessed and people living near proposed fracking sites would not have the opportunity to comment.”*

### Response to consultation 2 - Inclusion of Shale Gas Production in the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project Regime

*“The London Borough of Bromley welcomes the opportunity to comment on the consultation by the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy on the criteria required to trigger the inclusion of shale production projects into the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects regime. Objections are raised to the designation of shale gas production as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project due to the fact that the decision making powers would be taken away from the Local Planning Authority and the decision making process would lie with the Secretary of State.”*