



## Good Growth by Design

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- **Setting standards:** The GLA will be launching a number of initiatives including a design inquiry about **Making London Child Friendly** and a **Design Quality Management Protocol** template. Refer to the Good Growth By Design [website](#) for further details in the New Year
- **Applying the standards:** Ensure effective Design Review and scrutiny across London. Knowing which stage to take schemes to Design Review is critical. There's a sweet spot – not too early that there's little to review and not too late as the design has been signed off and worked up in detail.
- **Building capacity:** Shape and plan for good growth in local areas and communities. Spend time developing good working relationships with the community – set up a resident design group and work through key design issues using models and drawings rather than presenting finished schemes. Regular contact and round table discussions work well.
- **Supporting diversity:** Working towards a more representative sector and striving for best practice while designing for diversity. What can we do about it? Reaching out to schools, promoting career prospects, mentoring, education and advocacy are ongoing. Further information can be found in the GLA supporting diversity [handbook](#)
- **When commissioning quality:**
  - Plan for the long term
  - Think beyond the site boundary
  - Lock in quality with rigorous early stage design moves
  - Consider appointing a value consultant
  - Investigate MMC pre-planning
  - Where is the golden thread?
- When **championing good growth by design** remember that compliance with standards does not ensure design quality. Design in opportunities for interaction and consider shared facilities such as a communal laundry or a common room with a kitchen.

**Speakers:**

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**Attendees: 80**