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London's Mayor to take a "pragmatic" approach to Tall Buildings

Boris Johnson's Deputy and Planning Advisor, Sir Simon Milton, has explained the Mayor's attitude towards the development of tall buildings to delegates attending a business briefing held at DLA Piper's London office recently. Sir Simon made it clear that Johnson recognises the important role played by tall buildings but stressed that this must be balanced with a number of important considerations including London's historic fabric and views, amenity, sustainability and impact on the locality. Tall buildings must be built to a "world class" design standard and be suitably located. Clusters of tall buildings would be favoured and in places such as Canary Wharf, the City and Croydon. The Mayor is committed to a coherent approach and is talking to London's local authorities to review planning for tall buildings, with policy likely to emerge next year.

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