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I am writing to express my concerns regarding the Edgware Policy in the proposed Main Modifications to the Barnet Local Plan.

Edgware is already very densely populated. Over the past 25 years (I moved here in 2000), traffic volume has increased to the extent that parking is impossible and roads are too narrow for the amount of cars resulting in traffic jams all day long. The bus station does need to be improved - far too many different bus lines converge on this small space - but not at the price of shoehorning in so many more people putting even more pressure on all services. When I have heard Ballymore speakers they seem uninterested. They will bat away all concerns and just want to push through all objections but I have not heard anyone explain how the infrastructure will cope with this huge population increase. And that is before we even get onto the eyesore of skyscrapers condemning Edgware and changing its character for ever.

As a resident of Edgware, I understand the plan has been under development since 2020. However, I only recently became aware of its existence and its potential impact on our community.

Unfortunately, I haven't received any written communication from Barnet Council about the Local Plan, despite its significance for Edgware's future. Given the potential for significant change to Edgware's character and residents' quality of life, I believe wider notification would have been helpful.

I found the volume and complexity of the Local Plan and the related documents overwhelming. The 42-day consultation period seems insufficient for anybody to comprehend the plan's details - especially for anyone with work or caring commitments.

However, I am deeply concerned about the impact of the Local Plan on Edgware and its residents, both present and future.

In light of these concerns, I would like to express my support for any [representations](#) made by Save Our Edgware and the Edgware Community Association. Please consider their submissions as reflecting my own concerns.

Yours sincerely

Geoffrey Charin