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Dear Sir/ Madam

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

I have lived in Edgware for the past 24 years. I shop in Edgware shops, cafes and restaurants on a daily basis. I rely upon Edgware GP services, and TFL bus and tube services, as well as our family car to get around and in and out of Edgware in order to live my daily life.

I am deeply concerned about:

- The height and number of tower blocks that will change the character of Edgware. They will dominate the sky-line, block out light and be out of keeping with the surrounding low-rise shops, houses and listed buildings.
- The area will be too densely populated, in high-rise accommodation, which will inevitably lead to social problems for both old and new residents.
- Will the Council be able to ensure that enough public services are provided for the increased population, from schools and medical services to street sweeping, policing, public lavatories and bin collections?
- Lack of parks and green spaces - the narrow strips along the railway lines are simply not enough - even to compensate for the selling off Edgwarebury Farm Land permitted by the Council
- The loss of public parking on the Broadwalk and Edgware Station site leading to unacceptable overcrowding on busses on tubes.
- Unresolved problems of fire risk of electric busses in an underground bus station as pointed out by the London Fire Brigade.
- Increased traffic congestion in Station Road, High Street, Edgwarebury Lane and Hale Lane etc - bad enough at the moment, will become worse particularly during construction period.
- The resulting air pollution from demolition of existing buildings and increased traffic.

- The sheer unfairness of landing nearly 5,000 new homes into the central Edgware, transforming it from a lively and diverse suburban neighbourhood into a dystopian metropolis, when these homes could be distributed more equitably and sensibly throughout the borough and possibly beyond.
- The extra unfairness of giving little publicity to the process that has brought us to this point. We knew that we would have the opportunity to object to the Broadwalk redevelopment, but it was not explained that it would be necessary to first object to the modifications of the Broadwalk plan, to have any influence over Ballymore's over development plans. I did not receive any written communication from Barnet Council about the plan, or notification of the closing date for objections.

I am very much concerned about the impact of the local plan on Edgware and its present and future residents.

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.

Please confirm receipt of this email and that it arrived by the closing consultation date of 18th June 2024, and keep me informed of any further updates to the proposal.

Yours sincerely
Carole Zeidman