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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.

I work and shop in Edgware and visit the Broadwalk multiple times a week. Unfortunately the town centre has been severely neglected. Bins overflow into the street, lack of space for communal bins near the Broadwalk means rubbish is often left all over the road. There is also a major rat problem which is not being addressed. The increase in population will lead to more demand for refuse facilities, parking spaces, street cleaning. This is already a major issues so how will it be addressed when there are nearly 5000 people predicted to use the area too?

The timescale required to build the ridiculous amount of homes will decimate the town centre. The Broadwalk is the hub of Edgware and without the parking facilities the footfall onto the high street will significantly decrease. This will have a major impact on the shop and restaurant owners.

The disruption, noise and pollution will also have a detrimental effect on the local school in the area. The children will be subjected to noise and dirt for years as the building work spans, this is not acceptable.

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.

Please can you arrange for this letter to be considered as part of the Equality Impact Assessment?

Yours sincerely

Laura Gimmi

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