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

I am really concerned about this development which will bring in a huge number of extra people and building in to central Edgware. This is a suburb not the inner city and the development does not take that into account. Most people use their cars to go shopping and it is unrealistic to think otherwise.

The proposal will lead to a significant loss of parking which will impact most shoppers decision of whether to shop in central Edgware. This will badly affect a high street that is already struggling. I would certainly not be able to do my weekly shop in Edgware without sufficient parking and would go further afield.

I am not against development – but this particular development is not suited to the community or its needs which I do not think have been properly taken into account. As a resident of Harrow I also do not feel included in the consultations although the development is so close to me. Co-operation and consultation with Harrow residents would be imperative.

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.

The volume and complexity of the Local Plan and the related documents are not suitable to be studied within a 42-day 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

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