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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.

1. Parking in the roads near Station Road is already a problem. At night surrounding roads are full with parked cars and many vans.

The plans vastly underestimate the increase in the number of vehicles that will be owned by the new residents. Residents may be plumbers, electricians, decorators as well as having many other careers in which vehicles are vital. A serious shortage of parking and congestion will have a significant damaging effect on remaining businesses & shops which could kill them off.

2. The high rise blocks will be ugly, overbearing and it is totally unnecessary to cram such a large number of people into such a small area. We need housing development that fits within our suburban environment. Colindale has been seriously downgraded as an area with those high rise blocks which are lower than those proposed in Edgware.

3. With the British climate, the benefits of indoor shopping at the Broadwalk has been one of the few benefits of Edgware and still attracts people from the surrounding areas. These plans will destroy all that.

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 <u>representations</u> made by Save Our Edgware and the Edgware Community Association. Please consider their submissions as reflecting my own concerns.

Yours sincerely

Mr. A Fleischmann