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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 use Edgware Broadwalk Car Park nearly every da. I park there, without difficulty, to visit not only the Broadwalk shops but also shops and banks along Station Road, together with a cafe. The loss of Public Parking due to the Manhattan Style Proposed Development and the closure of the Broadwalk will in my opinion have a completely adverse affect on the town and the shops throughout the Station Road and High Street area, forcing closure of businesses and a further degradation of the local area. I am very worried about this and how I am going to buy my food etc easily without stress.

The height and number of new homes to be built on such a small plot, is out of control and not in keeping with the local area. This will severely reduce parking spaces.

There do not seem to be any improvements to the public transport system, which will also leave us with worse connectivity. I use this system regularly, so will be affected further.

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.

Angela