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We are writing to express our great concerns regarding the Edgware Policy in the proposed Main Modifications to the Barnet Local Plan.

Edgware town centre is a key amenity for us for shopping, public transport and of course for attending the doctor, dentist and other essential citizen services.

As residents of Edgware, we understand the plan has been under development since 2020. However, we only recently became aware of its existence and its potential impact on our community.

Unfortunately, we haven't received any written communication from Barnet Council about the Local Plan, despite its significance for Edgware's future. I would like a response as to why this is the case.

Notwithstanding, given the potential for significant change to Edgware's character and residents' quality of life, we believe wider notification would have been more than helpful and, indeed, suggests an avoidance of accountability.

We 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 as we do.

However, we are deeply concerned about the impact of the Local Plan on Edgware and its residents, both present and future.

Although there are plans to potentially significantly increase the density of housing in Edgware Town Centre, we see no similar concrete plans to similarly match these with the appropriate increases in public amenity such as increasing the frequency of rail transport, enlarging the tube station (as is happening now at Colindale) increasing the

provision of essential medical services such as doctors' and dentists' surgeries, or widening of footpaths and pedestrian amenities through the town centre.

It is frankly irresponsible at the minimum - and beyond this, derelict - to consider such plans without due consideration for the wider Edgware community and its provision.

Edgware is not suitable to be used simply for the purpose of meeting the need for additional homes, which we accept but believe Edgware town centre is completely the wrong place for these.

In light of these concerns, we would like to express our support for any [representations](#) made by Save Our Edgware and the Edgware Community Association. Please consider their submissions as reflecting our own concerns.

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

Yours sincerely

Eunice and Russell Grossman