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On 18 Jun 2024 21:09, Ian Abrahams

wrote:

From: Dr Ian Abrahams

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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.

As a resident of Edgware, I understand the plan has been under development since 2020. I understand that the draft Plan is currently out of consultation on modification at the moment.

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.

Specifically,

The number of homes that the plan would allow to be built, is excessive. es

Site 28 identified as 8.17 Ha includes a protected and closed nature reserve not free for development and the area of the Edgware Underground Station and track, which could not reasonably be developed without complete and extended closure of the rail line and Station.

Neither of these is a feasible development site leaving just the bus garage and bus station area, approximately 1/3 of the total area. ( $\sim 2.7$ Ha)

Even accepting that this portion of Site 28 can be completely replaced with a mixed use development, the calculations as presented in Exam75 would indicate a maximum of

2.7\*405/100\*70 = 764 homes.

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.

Yours,



Ian Abrahams