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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. However, I only recently became aware of its existence and its potential impact on our community. I moved to the area in 2020 having previously resided in a much more built up area. I was looking for a home in the suburbs. I am now very distressed that you are wanting to change lovely suburban Edgware into what sounds like an inner city area with high rise flats and no local shops and very little parking facilities. I shop in Edgware nearly every single day and I struggle now to find parking. I can't imagine what it will be like with over 4,000 new dwellings. The public transport can just about cope at the moment. The proposed closing of the Broadwalk will send residents to alternative places like Brent Cross, Harrow or Borehamwood shopping areas and because of that I am sure the small businesses and shops along Station Road may be forced to close down.

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.

My husband and I are both senior citizens and we are semi retired. Please can you arrange for this letter to be considered as part of the Equality Impact Assessment?

Yours sincerely

Jocelyn Morris