

From: [REDACTED]
Subject: Plans to develop the Broadwalk and surrounding area
Date: 16 June 2024 11:35:50

You don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

**** Warning External Email ****

Dear Sirs

Representation from: [Linda Kann](#)

Address: [REDACTED]

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the Edgware Policy in the proposed Main Modifications to the Barnet Local Plan.

I have lived in Edgware since 1996, when it was a very pleasant and classy place to live in, with beautiful shops, easy access to parking, and a great place to live.

When the Broadwalk was first built, it was wonderful with a good mixture of high quality and shops which were more modest. Over the years though, and with all the unrestricted planning given to all sorts of developments, the area has become overcrowded, the Broadwalk has become shoddy, and as an older person, there is nowhere for me to buy any quality clothes, shoes, household items. There are just a load of shops pumping out low quality rubbish.

As I understand it, the redevelopment has no plans for any shops other than Sainsburys, which is ridiculous. I have attended the so called consultation sessions at the Broadwalk, which have been totally useless. The representatives from Ballymore seem to have no idea of the actual plans, it seems to have merely been a box ticking exercise with no real consultation and no real opportunity for feedback. Given the potential for significant change to Edgware's character and residents' quality of life, I believe more meaningful consultation would have been helpful.

I tried to voice my objections on the Barnet Council website, but found it so difficult to negotiate, to download the documents, to find where to actually send my objects so obscure and difficult to use, I wonder if this was done purposefully to stop our voices being heard. Furthermore, The 42-day consultation period seems insufficient for anybody to comprehend the plan's details – especially for anyone with work or caring commitments.

I object to the number of buildings being considered, their height, the placing of a bus station for electric buses under one of the building (do you really want another Grenfell on your hands), the overcrowding in a very small area, the lack of doctors, dentists, schools already in the area which will be unable to provide for new residents. I am very concerned about the impact of the Local Plan on Edgware and its residents, both present and future.

I am in favour of regeneration, but definitely not this horrendous redevelopment being proposed.

Why has Edgware been designated the major town in Barnet? And when was this done? Did the Council notify any of the residents about this? This is ridiculous. Edgware is just a small suburb of Barnet, not its major town. Surely it should be Barnet itself, which has a much older and historical place in this borough. Hendon and Colindale are bigger, so why Edgware?

I also think you need to arrange for this letter to be considered as part of the Equality Impact Assessment as the parking plans seem to make it very difficult for disabled people to park anywhere.

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, as well as the above which I have outlined.

Yours sincerely

Linda Kann

