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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.

Not a heavy user of car parking in Edgware but do find it necessary to get the weekly shop as I often struggle to walk with a heavy load.

The loss of local services, shopping, banking and dining would directly impact me negatively, even over the development period due to my social mobility.

As a regular user of public transport, the excess population growth in Edgware would severely impact accessibility as no expansion is proposed in this area to accommodate. With zero improvements in roads, services (GP, healthcare...) and policing, the significant increase in population/density will have a negative impact on Edgware and the suburban way of life. With increased road congestion for driving out and returning back to Edgware, as the A5 is the main artery through Edgware without any local alternatives.

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; Edgware encompasses Barnet and East Harrow.

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.

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

Yours sincerely

Kanti Varsani