

HENDON RESIDENTS FORUM

**VENUE: Hendon Town Hall
Wednesday 4 March 2020**

Chairman: Anthony Finn BSc (Econ) FCA
Vice-Chairman: Councillor Nizza Fluss

ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE FORUM MEETING

Items must be submitted to Governance Service (Hendon.residentsforum@barnet.gov.uk) by 10am on the fifth working day before the meeting.

The Barnet Draft Local Plan (Reg 18) will also be presented at the Forum, with an opportunity for those in attendance to comment and ask questions.

	Issue Raised	Response
1.	<p>Petition: A41 Hendon Central junctions Lead Petitioner: Mr Levy Number of signatures: 25</p> <p>We, the undersigned residents, call on Barnet Council to note the major inconveniences resulting from some aspects of TfL's most recent A41 traffic flow arrangements in Hendon Central, including traffic queues forming both ways on Station Road, highlighted at the Hendon Residents Forum, and rat-running caused by U-turn prohibitions on the A41; also to note that only a comparatively small part of traffic approaching the Quadrant on the Burroughs is left turn: therefore call on the Council to lobby TfL to:</p> <p>1. greatly increase the time allowed for left turns from Station Road to the A41, while keeping a local surface level crossing over Station Road, considering all creative options for this;</p>	<p>To be dealt with in line with the Council's constitution:</p> <p>The Lead Petitioner will be given three minutes to present the petition to the Forum. Following this the Residents' Forum Chairman will decide to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Note the issue and take no action• Instruct an appropriate officer to contact the resident within 20 working days to provide an additional response• Instruct that a Ward Member is notified of the issue• Decide that the issue be referred to the next meeting of an Area Committee for consideration, subject to the issue being within the terms of reference of an Area Committee.

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<p>2. allow U-turns by traffic turning right at Central Circus from the southbound A41, since this traffic can now only proceed when not in conflict with other traffic;</p> <p>3. re-allow U-turns by traffic turning right at the Quadrant from the northbound A41, while removing the extended green time for left turn traffic from the Burroughs here that would conflict with this;</p> <p>4. for the Council first to seek TfL's and Council Officers' evidence base and modelling behind the changes that 3. seeks to reverse;</p> <p>5. for the Council also first to consider all other suggestions made to them concerning these junctions since the changes.</p> <p>I note the response at the June Forum, in particular in relation to point 1.ii. Since the June Forum, I obtained through a FoI, in relation to points 3 and 4, an admission by TfL that they neglected to model the effects of barring the U-turn around Hendon War Memorial (to describe it better), when they changed the signals to extend the left turn phase from The Burroughs, and barred the said U-turn that would have conflicted with that. I have forwarded their disclosure to Cris Tavares, as also attached. I feel it should not have been neglected, as I frequently observed this U-turn was a popular movement, and the effects of displacing it (petition notes) would far outweigh the benefit of the extended left turn time from The Burroughs. In any signal cycle, only a small number of vehicles would benefit from the extended left turn time from the Burroughs, since most traffic queuing to exit Burroughs will be non- left turn (as TfL confirmed in the FoI), which would still be held on red during the additional green time for left turns.</p> <p>What is LBB's view of the matter and TfL's admission?</p> <p>iii. Please may I have an update on proposals 1.-3., and any other suggestions being considered including those of Cllr Saira Don.</p>	

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2.	<p><u>Comments on the Draft Local Plan</u></p> <p>Submitted by: Mr Montefiore</p> <p>1. The arbitrary percentage (i.e 40%) of Green Belt land selected for residential development – and by implication the determination of 219 residential homes – for site number 49 (Watchtower House and Kingdom Hall). This arbitrary selection of hectarage has not been approved through proper governance and is many times more extensive than he already built on land (i.e only 7% or 8%). It is ridiculous given that the overwhelming majority of the buildings consists Watchtower house itself, and that only contains 85 self-contained residential units.</p> <p>2. It is also unacceptable to estimate the number of residential units based on a crude proportion of the hectarage – not taking ito account (i) the existing extent of land built on (ii) NPPF restrictions per paragraphs 133 to 147, (iii) Tree Preservation Order TRE/HE/6 (iv) the existence of protected barn owls and badger sets.</p> <p>3. The site selection is contrary to ‘Alternative Options to Policy BSS01 Spatial Strategy for Barnet (pp24-25) and the tests in NPPF paragraph 137.</p> <p>4. Inclusion of a Green Belt site that is in Mill Hill Conservation Area into the policy for Mill Hill East (GSS07). By incorporating the Watchtower House site in the policy for a neighbouring development (i.e Mill Hill East), the whole purpose of the site being Green Belt is being undermined to prevent urban sprawl per NPPF paragraph 133.</p> <p>Please could the Council do a proper estimation of the number of units for the site and inclusion of the site in a policy for Mill Hill Conservation Area.</p>	<p><i>The Watchtower House site has been previously classified as a Major Development Site within the Green Belt due to the existing uses. As such, part of the site has been judged as suitable for potential redevelopment, including for residential and community uses. The site constraints are referenced within the Annex 1 Schedule, including Green Belt and Conservation Area status, the presence of Tree Preservation Orders, and the semi-rural character of the area.</i></p> <p><i>We are seeking comments on the Draft Local Plan and Schedule of Site Proposals during the consultation period, and written responses can be made through the online questionnaire available here: https://engage.barnet.gov.uk/Draft-Local-Plan-Consultation; or emailed to forward.planning@barnet.gov.uk.</i></p>

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<p>Submitted by: Mr Mason</p> <p>At the Hendon Residents forum I shall be seeking clarification as to why the red boundary box on the site plan for Site 38 does not also include the area behind my property 9 Egerton Gardens (that is shown in green).</p> <p>There appears to be 3 possible scenarios: (i) there has been an accidental error when drawing the site boundary (as shown in red) on the site plan. This error misrepresents the impact any future development related to site 38 on my property (as well as 7 other properties), and therefore needs to be corrected, (ii) LBB has deliberately chosen to draw the red boundary to exclude the green area, this then raises legitimate questions related to the ownership, leasing and use of the land that borders my property (as well as 7 other properties), or (iii) the green area is referenced in some other part of the plan of which I am not yet aware, if this is the case then please advise. In addition, the shape of the green area (assumed to be council owned land) is incorrect.</p>	<p>Responses will be provided verbally by officers in attendance at the meeting.</p>

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Future meeting dates of the Hendon Residents' Forum:

Date of meeting	Location
4 June 2020	Hendon Town Hall
3 September 2020	Hendon Town Hall
6 January 2021	Hendon Town Hall
3 March 2021	Hendon Town Hal

