

POLICY AND RESOURCE COMMITTEE
Tuesday 8 December 2019

ITEM 5 – PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND WRITTRN COMMENTS

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Item 9 – Proposed Hendon Redevelopment Outline Business Case	<p>Dr Elliott Lever</p> <p>I am writing here to express some concerns over the Hendon Hub development.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. the plans would significantly change the character and aesthetic of the area, in particular at a focal part of Hendon where the town hall, library and churches are at harmony.2. the plans permit the expansion of Middlesex University at an estimated 10% per annum which is extraordinary for its position in a residential area3. the need for relocation of the library is not substantiated. It has character in its present building and modernisation of an established institution has not been established to my knowledge through consultation with users. The relocation proposal wholly supports the restructuring of the university.4. Local amenities such as parking, buses and space to walk freely is already at pressure point. Living on Egerton Gardens parking is challenging on a regular basis. The streets are often congested at peak travel time around the Boroughs. Expansion of the university would significantly affect these aspect of life in Hendon.5. Expansion of the University with compulsory purchase of homes would not appear to me to be in public interest. I speak notably of the beautiful vibrant home at the start of Egerton Gardens which

	<p>has been earmarked as a service road for the University. Other homes of the less fortunate are also at risk.</p> <p>6. I will stress again there are limited positives for the local community for the increased provision of land for the university and its expansion.</p>
<p>Item 9 – Proposed Hendon Redevelopment Outline Business Case</p>	<p>Emanuele Boccia and Ashleigh Andrews</p> <p>As residents on 5 Egerton Gardens, we have been made aware of the plans over the Hendon hub development, supporting the expansion of Middlesex University and would like to raise some key concerns.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The plans would significantly change the character of the area in a focal part of Hendon, where residents choose to live due to the harmony between town hall, churches and library. 2. The plans indicate that the expansion of Middlesex University will be supported 10% per annum which is very concerning given its position in a residential area. 3. Local parking and transport, as well as space to walk freely in the neighbourhood are already at pressure point. As residents of Egerton Gardens, parking is very challenging on a regular basis, streets are often congested at peak travel time and the expansion of the University would significantly affect these aspects of life in Hendon. 4. The need for relocation of the library does not appear to have been made through consultation with users. A move and modernisation of an established institution which has character in the present building seems to be planned only to support the restructuring of the University. 5. Finally, last but not least, the expansion of the University with compulsory purchase of homes would not appear to be in public interest. The plans suggest that the beautiful home at the start of Egerton Gardens, as well as potentially other homes of the less fortunate, are at high risk of compulsory purchase.

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Item 10 – Draft The Burroughs and Middlesex University Supplementary Planning Document.	<p data-bbox="1131 220 1305 245">Daniel Tannen</p> <p data-bbox="1131 293 2036 427">I understand that there is a pre-planning meeting next week to discuss the future needs of the Middlesex University site in the Boroughs and surrounding streets, with an aim to expand both the footprint and density of the Universities facilities.</p> <p data-bbox="1131 459 2036 737">I am fully supportive of the need to educate our younger citizens but very much object to expanding the facilities in an already densely populated residential suburb. I understand going forward with the university plans, will mean a loss of housing and Borough facilities that currently benefit the local residents. Furthermore, the facility is not intended to improve the quality and lifestyle of the residents but will cater to many people who either arrive from outside the Borough as well as for those living here for a short while whilst they obtain their degree.</p> <p data-bbox="1131 769 2036 1008">At an expansion rate predicted at 10 percent per annum the proposed expansion will be short lived and the university will be back cap in hand needing more. Without expanding other facilities like the underground, parking and road widths, having more people concentrated in this small area will lead to road congestion, overcrowded trains and a feeling of being overwhelmed making Hendon residents feel unsafe and not part of the community that we are.</p> <p data-bbox="1131 1024 2036 1072">If the University have such ambitious plans, they need to sow their seeds elsewhere.</p>

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Item 10 – Draft The Burroughs and Middlesex University Supplementary Planning Document.	<p data-bbox="1135 186 1283 212">Alex Tannen</p> <p data-bbox="1135 256 2033 323">In light of having been made aware of Middlesex university's expansion plans, I am writing to voice my objection.</p> <p data-bbox="1135 349 2033 486">Our borough already lacks the necessary infrastructure to deal with our residential needs. Whilst the planned expansion will undoubtedly benefit the university and year future students, it does so at a great cost to the community at large.</p> <p data-bbox="1135 512 1883 579">It is our duty to serve our community needs first and foremost. This is by no means a way of achieving such.</p>