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From:

Dowling, Jo

Sent:

26 July 2010 09:06

To:

Cowie, Martin; Alsop, Peter; Capelli, Nicola

Subject: FW: B/01960/10

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Sent: 25 July 2010 15:57

To: Dowling, Jo **Subject:** B/01960/10

Ms Dowling, I'd be grateful if my comments can be added to the number of objections I know you already have.

Somebody within the council should have the gumption to withdraw this application quietly. At a time when the country's economy is in the state it's in, when we as Barnet residents are suffering cuts, cost increases, made to recycle, etc., (and yet councillors can vote themselves a massive, and national newsworthy, pay rise!) you are looking to waste yet more taxpayers' money on something the taxpayer doesn't want.

We have a lovely library.

There are a number of nursery centres locally: within Brunswick School itself; at Hamden Way; close to Monkfrith School in Brookside South; in Cowper Road close to Osidge School and others, no doubt.

We have a perfectly good pharmacy close to the shops.

There are coffee shops in abundance but interestingly the one at Hamden Square changed hands twice before closing down; no one used it. What makes you think a café in a health centre is necessary or indeed will succeed? If its purpose is to be subsidised by the taxpayer for those on benefit - I object.

We had sufficient medical practices until the health centre suspiciously burnt down (great timing?)

Barnet Council is looking to build facilities that we neither require nor desire and at what expense? The proposed spot is former landfill; that being the case we can assume the additional cost (and inconvenience) of having gas and electric provided to the site. Indeed, the current library and health centre both have such services and that land is to be returned to parkland. This is nonsense. Does that make economical sense? If, in fact, it's the truth - more likely a few years down the road when you hope this has all blown over you'll want to build more flats as those on the old college site. I'm lodging my objection to any new build now!

Surely, the common-sense approach is to rebuild the health centre: it has essential services, ample parking, patients know where it is,

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We all objected to the new build on Russell Lane as it was obvious that the local infrastructure would struggle with increased residents. Why didn't you build a small surgery within the estate? Instead the whole neighbourhood has to suffer - again. People and property (that were here a long time before the new residents) are being put at risk of injury and crime with increased vehicular access down private roads, unchallenged public access, etc.

I suggest that you cannot grant by using the phrase 'to protect the local amenities' as we do not object to the health centre being rebuilt in its original site. Perhaps you should consider shelving the proposal and spending the money allocated for the unwanted café on extending (maybe upwards) the original health centre to cater for the residents in those properties we didn't want either.

I'd like to think that on this occasion the lives of the masses (us) will be considered over the need of the

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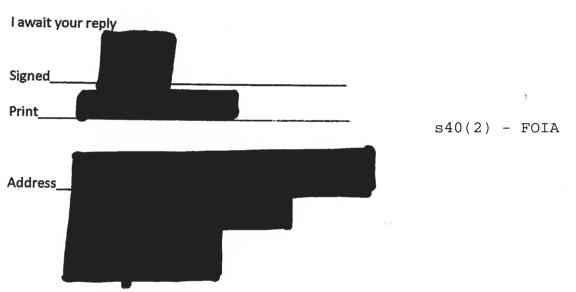
June 2010

Dear Ms. Jo Dowling

As a resident of Brunswick Park Ward I am writing to you to express my opposition to the proposed plans to build a 'Community Hub' on part of the Metropolitan Open Land that is Brunswick Park. The key points of opposition are listed below:

- 1. The increased number of people using the rear access road either to park or manoeuvre will cause a severe hindrance to residents when accessing their garages or Brunswick Park Primary teachers who use the road to park on during term time.
- 2. The proposed disabled parking spaces are also close to the edge of the access road directly opposite private garages and the possible use of these by NHS transport services bringing people in to use the 'clinic' services or children with SEN requirement to the Acorn Assessment Unit is bound to cause congestion and obstruction.
- 3. The increase in the amount of traffic using this private access road is a cause for serious concern with respects to the health, safety and security of the local residents and their properties which are already subject to frequent break-ins and vandalism.
- 4. The revised plans have not addressed the fact that the houses directly affected by the proposed development will become an 'island' between two roads, all that has changed is that the central white line has been removed from the drawings with no change in how this road will be used.
- 5. The Metropolitan Open Land (MOL) 'land swap' shows the land being 'taken' as 4170m² which is larger than the land area being repaid (3885m²).
- 6. The repaid MOL will serve no useful purpose to the community as it will be on a corner of a busy road intersection and landscaped with hills and trees as opposed to the land currently used by adults and children alike to walk in or play in.
- 7. The repaid MOL and proposed 'public area' which is currently part of Brunswick Park School will inevitably become a congregation point for the local youths which will ultimately lead on to an increase in the amount of vandalism, anti social behaviour and thefts such as those that has previously blighted Hampden Square and the various local bus stops!
- 8. The planned new car parking appears inadequate for the number of people who will be attempting to access this 'Community Hub' with a lot of the land shown on the plans to be wasted on pathways and landscaping.
- 9. The residents and Brunswick Park School teachers are going to have to drive through this car park in order to gain entry to the access road rather than have a dedicated private access to the service road. This also means that emergency vehicles that may need to get to the school will also have to pass through the car park which may lead to a critical delay responding to an emergency. The rear access road is also used by large vehicles i.e. delivery lorries, skip trucks and coaches, all of which experience difficulty safely getting up the small road (coaches for school trips frequently either reverse up or park on the roundabout), the new car park proposals will severely increase these issues.
- 10. To facilitate the provision of the car park, a <u>Community Hall</u> is to be demolished. This hall is currently rented by a religious group who not only offer a service to the surrounding community but also the hall is used by many others for parties, meetings and other social events, i.e. <u>it is a central (hub) part of a community!</u>
- 11. There are no plans to change the road lay-out on Osidge Lane at the junction of West Walk and the entrance to this proposed development. This area as it is now is very difficult to negotiate with traffic speeding down Osidge Lane from both directions and not heeding cars that may be trying to turn into or out of either West Walk or the access road, nor pedestrian who are trying to cross the road. It is the site of many accidents which have included fatalities in the past.
- 12. The MOL to be 'lost' is noted to be a 'Conservation Area' and is noted as being so on the 'Full Application' No. B/01960/10 submitted to the planning department on 25th May 2010. This open land is currently enjoyed by many people who travel here to walk with their dogs, exercise, play etc.

- 13. The original proposal as noted in the August 2009 edition of 'In Touch' the Barnet Conservative magazine (accessed on-line 01/06/10 from www.barnetconservatives.co.uk) was for the development of a new children's centre with a new primary care centre and replacement library on the site of the original health centre and library, with the funding of £6.5 million already approved and planning by Barnet Council as "..well advanced.." and not impinging upon the school; now the plans have changed radically and do have some effect upon Brunswick Park School.
- 14. A major new development such as this that is claimed by the council as being 'the envy of others' would surely be better positioned on a site where it is clearly visible as opposed to being developed behind residential houses where it is all but hidden from view.
- 15. There has been very poor communication with the local residents about these plans prior to the meeting held at Brunswick Park School on Monday 15th March 2010. The plans have been discussed in the presence of a Ward Councillor at an East Barnet Residents meeting on 17th March 2010 without the knowledge of any Brunswick Park Ward residents, also it had been reported on in the 'In Touch' magazine which appears to not be freely available and certainly unheard of by the residents in Brunswick Park Ward who are directly affected, and it even made front page news in a recent edition of the Barnet Times which as our Ward Councillors are fully aware of the residents of Osidge Lane DO NOT RECEIVE. It is a genuinely held belief that these plans are being pushed through as quickly as possible whilst avoiding giving adequate information in a timely manner to the residents who are going to be directly affected by these proposals.



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Sent:

12 July 2010 14:27

To:

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Subject: Brunswick Park, Osidge Lane London N14 Ref; B/01960/10

Dear Jo Dowling

It is with great expectation and anticipation, that I write to support this development, especially as the medical services of about 9,000 patients at Brunswick Park Ward have been severely compromised because of the fire at the Brunswick Park Health Centre. Most patients who used the Health Centre and certainly all the staff who worked at the Health Centre support this development. We look forward to be able to provide high quality medical services, when the new development is completed.

The anxiety of the residents on Osidge Lane can be dealt with by erecting controlled barrier for traffic around the development.

We cannot wait for this to be started and completed.

Yours sincerely

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library could move into the business park now that Barnet college have moved out. This would prevent all FOIA these delayes and would leave local residents much happier.

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Our Ref: CSE-20490

Dear Jo Dowling

LONDON BOROUGH OF BARNET: BRUNSWICK PARK, OSIDGE LANE YOUR REF: B/01960/10

Thank you for consulting the Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment (CABE) about this proposal. Following a site visit, the planning application information (drawings and design and access statement) has been considered by Keith Bradley (Chair), Dominic Papa and design review staff. CABE's views, which supersede all views which may have been expressed previously, are set out below. This is our formal response to the detailed planning application.

We understand that it is logical to extend and build on the existing school site. We are concerned, however, that the new community hub will be shoe-horned in behind the existing houses with very little obvious presence within the local area. This is not conducive to a building that, by its nature, should be publicly facing and embedded within the community. We have a number of concerns for the design quality of the current proposal and therefore we are unable to support the planning application in its current form. We are particularly concerned for the site layout, the design of the replacement metropolitan land and the architectural quality of the proposed building. We urge the local planning authority to engage with the design team to address the following concerns before the planning application is approved.

Site layout

The approach into the site is unwelcoming as it is heavily dominated by car parking and gives priority to the car, above pedestrians. It is inevitable that m^{any} people will drive to the site and therefore the predominant route to the front entrance of the

building will be diagonally from the car park; the design should respond to this. It is also important that the building is public facing and engages with the community. The artist's impression of the site approach shows an area dominated by hardstanding and together with the indiscernible entrance to the building, we do not think this creates a welcoming approach. Furthermore, we recommend that further work is done on the treatment of the access road that runs behind the existing houses. It is important that this road is made to feel like a street with an appropriate level of landscaping that avoids the need for large areas of hardstanding.

The backs of the existing buildings create an unsympathetic edge to Brunswick Park. The redevelopment of the site misses an opportunity to improve this relationship. While we support the design idea to 'bring the park into the nursery' and 'take the library out into the park,' the detailed plans do not show that this will be the case. We think 1.8 metre high fencing with an anti-climb top will create an insensitive setting to the park prevents the community hub engaging with the park. Both the library and the café will be cordoned off with fencing, creating an unattractive edge and missing the opportunity to give users access to and good views of the park. We appreciate that creating a safe and secure facility is important, however, we think the design could be more innovative, perhaps using a transition of spaces to create a secure area around the building and a more publicly accessible area leading out into the park. Other notable observations is that the staff entrance to the health centre is convoluted and therefore is not a welcoming entrance for staff to use every day. Also, the public footpath passes close to the clinical rooms in the heath centre which we think should be afforded more privacy.

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We think the architectural quality of the building is banal and has responded too heavily to the function of the building and not enough to the idea that this is a public building that needs to engage with and welcome local residents. We also have some concern that the south facing elevation of the nursery in particular, has a large expanse of glazing that could result in the internal rooms overheating during the summer.

Replacement metropolitan open land

The replacement metropolitan open land on the corner of Osidge Lane and Brunswick Park Road is significant in size and given its prominent location, needs to be of an exceptional design to be successful. Given its proximity to the road we are not convinced that the space will make an appropriate or safe area to play. The area will have limited natural surveillance and we think at night in particular, this space could be intimidating to be in. The enclosed nature of this space, together with the restricted access through to the park, suggests that it will appear as 'leftover space' rather than an integral part of Brunswick Park. Furthermore, the landscape plan

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Please keep CABE in touch with the progress of this scheme. If there is any point that requires clarification, please telephone me.

Yours sincerely



Rachel Walmsley
Design review advisor

Public scheme

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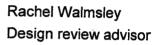
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Sent:

21 July 2010 13:28

To:

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Cc:

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Subject: Brunswick Park Committee

Jo,

To let you know I've registered with one of your colleagues for Savills to speak at the committee at 7pm on 29th July at Hendon Town Hall, The Burroughs, London, NW4 4BG.

For those copied in, we need to arrive at 6.45pm.

Kind regards

Sarah

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AT 7.00PM

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HENDON TOWN HALL, THE BURROUGHS, HENDON NW4 4BG

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