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FW: Consultation on the Wood Green development

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I am responding to Haringey Council's Area Action Plan for Wood Green dated February 2017. I agree that Wood Green can benefit from improvements, but the creation of a shopping centre for residents from a wide area is a very harmful development project step, as it will attract huge volumes of traffic into Haringey. This situation will doubtlessly exacerbate the already illegal levels of pollution on Haringey's roads. I am especially concerned about the proposed primary route along Clarendon Road, which in effect will attract even more traffic along Wightman Road, a residential street, which currently has 120,000 vehicles a week for which it is unfit to carry and breaches current EU legal limits of pollution. It is entirely unacceptable to consider a development exacerbating this already terrible situation.

Haringey Council has already accepted that approving the planning permission for Haringay Arena was misguided and that it has created excessive levels of traffic and pollution in the area. Similarly, the retail centre at Tottenham Hale has created a similar situation there.

We need a planning policy which is fit for its citizens and protects its children. This means we need to discourage car use, to make it safer and healthier and more pleasant for residents. Residents already fall victim to cancer, heart disease, respiratory problems and dementia because of pollution levels. This means there is more demand on the NHS which an ill afford increases in demand and also affects the health and wellbeing of residents, for which the Council is also responsible.

Sincerely,

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