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Hello TWIMC,

I'm ex tenant of a property on Caxton Road. Until recently my ex landlord was under the impression that the redevelopment plan for Wood Green would be to re-design the high street & develop some of the unused commercial properties. Three weeks ago he found out that included de-homing hundreds of residents and destroying their houses.

Having lived in the area as a student, and a professional for many years after, I know that had there not been the kind of affordable housing that was available in the area, it would have been very difficult for me to continue my studies, as I am from a working class background and as it was had to hold down 2 part time jobs at a time to be able to continue and complete my studies.

Apparently the redevelopments contribute to the "vision of a better Haringey". 'Better' according to whom? Not the current residents, which includes a rich diversity of people of racial and socio-economic backgrounds.

By forcing people out of their homes and out of their communities, we create isolated and angry people, which we are all now well aware of, creates breeding grounds and anti social, violent and destructive citizens.

While Wood Green has never been without it's problems which do need to be addressed, in my 7 years as a resident, it's strength came from the diversity, creativity and hard work of it's varied residents. Rather than destroying this community, ways of looking at how it can be fed and nourished to bring prosperity to its present inhabitants should be looked into.

Thanks for taking the time to consider this perspective,

Mel Dymond