

---

Dear Local Plan team,

I would like to supplement my submission with further feedback because after further inspection I have learned of the more detailed land use proposals you have included in the plan.

It is with absolute horror that you are planning to build blocks of flats on the council car parks in Winchmore Hill, Southgate and Palmers Green.

Fords Grove Car Park in particular is a deep insult. You will remember that when constructing the "Mini Holland" cycle lane, worried local businesses were reassured not to panic as customers could use a renewed Fords Grove Car Park nearby. Not you propose to take it away. It is used by the adjacent schools, the Scouts and Cadets, customers of local businesses, and local residents like me. It has been my only place to park for 3 years. If you take away my only parking near to my home, you would effectively be forcing me to give up driving or move away (which I cannot afford to do and shouldn't have to) but as a lifelong enthusiast with a passion for driving my car which is by far the most important thing in the world to me, it is essential to my mental health and managing my autism, having driving taken away from me would make me suicidal and depressed and trapped very quickly. This little car park is the only car park in the entire area and it is absolutely desperately needed. The car parks in Southgate and Palmers Green are very important to me too.

Then I hear on top of all this you are proposing hundreds of flats on the site of my local Sainsburys. The area is already overcrowded and overpopulated. It is too far to cycle to London, and the trains are already full. They cannot increase the capacity because the platforms on the Moorgate line cannot hold more than 6 carriages and Moorgate cannot accommodate greater frequencies. The GP surgeries are already completely overwhelmed. The roads are already completely overwhelmed. The parks are already full. Cramming in more and more people for the same overloaded infrastructure is destroying this borough and irreversibly dismantling its unique green, semi-rural character.

Thank you for your consideration.