

I wish to lodge my objection to the proposed redevelopment of Sainsburys store and car park, Green Lanes N21 3RS

The reasons for my objection include the following:

- Local residents will have to drive further to buy their shopping increasing traffic on local roads and reducing air quality due to carbon monoxide etc from car fumes. In particular for the many local school children walking to and from school in the area - their lungs are more at risk of damage from diesel fumes.
- Local non drivers / disabled people will be particularly impacted in their ability to shop
- 299 new houses will further increase demand for already over stretched facilities such as doctors, schools and there is no provision to address this
- The cycle lane has already removed on street parking adversely impacting shops. Fords Grove car park is going and the removal of the much used parking in Sainsburys will reduce sales for local shops, restaurants etc.
- I have been advised that the site is home to at least three different species of woodpecker (greater/lesser spotted and green varieties) and trees with protection orders (poplars and oak trees) so the development will have a detrimental environmental impact at a time when preserving these habitats is more important than ever
- The development will be out of keeping with the area due to its size and scale. It will also result in over development of the area given the recent Capitol House development and future developments along Green Lanes e.g. Travis Perkins
- The closure of roads in the area between Southgate, Palmers Green and Winchmore Hill has already lead to massive congestion along Green Lanes. Prior to road closures I used to travel from Winchmore Hill to The Cherry Tree area in 10 minutes but I now have to drive along the main roads and it takes at least half an hour to go either via Southgate or Palmers Green, an hour on bad day! Traffic from construction vehicles and then then the residents of the proposed 299 flats and occupiers and visitors to the commercial space will make a bad situation even worse! Who would want to use the cycle lane inhaling all those car fumes!