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Dear Sirs,

I wish to strongly object to the possible development of the Sainsbury's supermarket site for housing in Winchmore Hill. Please see my reasons below:

- \* This is already an over populated area that can ill afford a development of this type and scale. There have already been large developments (Capital House) and planned developments on the Travis Perkins site. These are all in close proximity to one another.
- \* There is no supporting infrastructure to support this proposed development, doctors, dentists, public transport and local schools are already over subscribed.
- \* Congestion on the roads in the area will increase to dangerous levels both in terms of pollution and road safety not mention pressure on parking. Traffic in Winchmore Hill is at an all time high due to such schemes as LTN and cycle lanes.
- \* The loss of green space in the area would be a disaster, not only for local wildlife such as Owls, Hedgehogs, Squirrels and song birds, but also for the local community, especially the elderly. I know personally many people that used and continue to use the green space through the pandemic for exercise, meeting others in a safe environment and allowing children to have fun. This has directly contributed to both their physical and mental well being.
- \* There are many tree's in this area. Oaks that are well over 200 years old, if not more! These all mitigate against pollution and which we cannot afford to lose.
- \* A development of this type would change the character of the area, not for the better, a much larger population and also many elderly people would be forced to move to be closer to conveniences.
- \* It is a inappropriate site given the proximity to existing traditional historical properties.
- \* There would also be a potential for claims for reduction in property values, this money would be better spent on housing in a more appropriate location.
- \* The loss of Sainsbury supermarket would have a major affect on Winchmore Hill, it is the biggest employer in the area, a large portion of the work force are working parents and the young who are in further education, both will struggle to find job that work around there lifestyles and needs.
- \* Sainsbury's serves the people of Winchmore hill and the surrounding areas, these will be force to travel in their cars further afield causing more pollution.
- \* Sainsbury's is a place where many of the community, especially the elderly and vulnerable have there only daily interaction with another human being, this would be gone forever, causing many people in to depression.

I await to hear from you.