



# Northwood Residents' Association

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Date: 13<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**Re: FORMER NORTHWOOD POLICE STATION, 2 MURRAY ROAD, NORTHWOOD:**

The Application references are:  
46639/APP/2022/60 - change of use  
46639/APP/2022/56 – alterations

We write further to the additional documents submitted regarding the above two planning applications.

**Response to Traffic Consultation:**

We are concerned about the response particularly regarding impact of traffic.

The applicant accepts that many of those travelling will come by car and agree to any consent being subject to further assessments after the decision is made and a S106. Making assessments and an agreement to tell people to use public transport or walk after a decision is made will be relatively meaningless.

It is also noted that they now state in the response that ‘the majority of the congregation live within a short distance of Northwood. Many chose to walk or would gladly walk if required to do so,’ whereas previously they have said 90% live in Pinner and Northwood, and they would have pointed out then if the majority of that 90% lived in Northwood compared to Pinner. What about those who live in Northwood Hills which is also not within easy walking distance? In addition, they have in the past referred to areas further afield where they want to attract those from their community, again meaning even more travelling in and out of Northwood.

Over several previous years the applicant stressed on their website that any building needed ‘ample car parking’ but are now suggesting 15 is ample.

Therefore, there is a real concern that the applicant is not providing more definitive information before a decision is made, given the amount of traffic currently in Northwood.

In the response to the Transport Consultation, it is stated the applicant occupied St Johns Church, ‘until very recently’ but we understand that they actually moved from there to Northwood Hills in September/October 2021.



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## **Response to Heritage Consultation:**

The applicant has stated the Call Box and Lamp is to be located permanently indoors. However, it is part of the listing and so should be placed outside in accordance with that. Suggestions about the validity of the materials etc are not relevant given it is listed, nor that people may think it is still a Police Station as all Northwood residents will know that it is not. No alterations to the exterior should be permitted given it is a Listed Building.

## **Conclusion:**

The NRA remains concerned about the impact of traffic.

We confirm the previous comments made still stand particularly in view of the response on traffic.

The conditions previously requested in connection with noise also still stand.

On the basis of the above we request the planning applications are refused.

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