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The Masterplan describes Wimbledon as primarily a business center, that is unacceptable, there plan has to consider that Wimbledon is also an important residential town with a strong community, determined to protect it.

The fact that it has good communication to the City makes it attractive for young families with children. The plan should consider Wimbledon as an attractive place to live. The Town Centre of Wimbledon has several nurseries and schools.

Although the plan mentions 18-storey buildings and 10-16 buildings in Worple Road and the Broadway, this is also unacceptable as a precedent will be created and then we shall see developers building tall buildings near the residential streets.

Wimbledon needs to enhance its name by protecting and developing its name as a Cultural Town. We have the Polka Children's Theater, the New Wimbledon Theater, the University, the Art Place, several artists studios and possible a Concert Hall.

The Plan has to consider that the name Wimbledon is international and should be protected. It certainly attracts tourists that should be received with an attractive town.

We do not want to become Kingston. We do not want high street brands, we need independent shops. The big high street brands are in fact having a lot of trouble and having to close their shops.

We need Green Spaces, high quality Architecture, public spaces. This is a very good opportunity to do a good job.

With my thanks for the attention granted to this, I remain

Yours faithfully,

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