

Planning Application at 262 Park Road N8 (HGY/2023/2655)

This objection is made on behalf of the ‘Crossover Group’, a group of cross-Haringey residents who are concerned about the proliferation of crossovers, the loss of front gardens and front walls with associated damage to the environment and street-scene – all to the disadvantage of residents generally. In addition, the process whereby a resident applicant can appropriate a section of the public road space for their exclusive use, to the detriment of other residents is objectionable.

This submission is made with contact details supplied, but because of previous instances of intimidation they are withheld from this consultation comment.

This proposal is similar to an application in 2019 (HGY/2019/3070) at 248 Park Road, which is only a few doors away. That application was refused and refused again on appeal. The same arguments for refusal apply equally in this case.

The reasons for objection include:

The proposal is clearly in conflict with the council policy on parking in front gardens as set out in the Local Plan as DM 33.

Policy DM33 (Crossovers, Vehicular Access etc) states:

The Council will **only** support a proposal for a crossover or new vehicular access where it is demonstrated that the proposal does not result in:

- a. A reduction in pedestrian or highway safety; **or**
- b. A reduction of on-street parking capacity within a Controlled Parking Zone; **or**
- c. A visual intrusion to the street scene.

There would clearly be a reduction in pedestrian and highway safety from vehicles reversing across the public footway at this location on a busy bus route and subjected to heavy commuting traffic.

There would be visual intrusion and negative impact on the street-scene at this location. The destruction of an original front boundary wall would also be a significant loss.

In addition, the proposal is for vehicle parking at an angle with the road and footway. This is in conflict with the council’s policy and guidelines.

The above policy considerations are sufficient grounds to refuse this proposal.

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