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To: London Borough of Barnet
Planning, Housing and Regeneration Service
Building 4, North London Business Park
Oakleigh Road South
London
N11 1NP

Re: **B/00200/09**

ASDA Planning Application, Gas Works Site, Albert Road, New Barnet

Dear Sir / Madam,

I would like to object to the planned scheme on the following grounds:

1. Huge increase in traffic.

ASDA's figures anticipate an extra 900 cars an hour will be attracted to their planned superstore. Along with the redeveloped JCoSS site, this means an extra 1,500 cars per hour using East Barnet Road and surrounding local roads.

2. The size of the development.

ASDA, Tesco and Barnet Council have carried out separate studies to work out how much additional retail space is needed in New Barnet. All calculate this figure to be between 600-800 sq metres – five times less than the 3,906 sq metres planned in the ASDA development.

3. Unsympathetic with the area's existing architecture.

The centre of New Barnet is largely made up of low-rise Victorian and Edwardian buildings. Any planned development should be in keeping with the existing vernacular architectural style.

4. Inappropriate housing for the area.

With over 100 one- and two-bedroom flats lying empty in the New Barnet area, there is no need for more accommodation of this type in New Barnet. What our community is crying out for is more family-sized houses.

5. Threat to independent shops and businesses.

A supermarket of this size would squeeze out the remaining independent shops and businesses in New Barnet, as well as having a knock-on effect in neighbouring areas such as East Barnet, Cockfosters and High Barnet.

Yours faithfully,

signature

full name (print)