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Dear Robert

I am writing in response to the proposed amendment to Planning Application 20/1496/FUL submitted by the applicant of which residents were notified on 15 January 2022.

Firstly, I confirm I fully support all the Barnes residents who have objected to the amendment. Secondly, I confirm I am aware there has been serious confusion as to why the amendments have been proposed now after permission was granted in January 2021. My understanding is that Council has received legal advice regarding matters which, it would seem, were not properly addressed during the planning process. However, the original concerns remain and residents are still of the opinion that the proposed Sports Hall is far too large and will cause demonstrable harm

As a Councillor for Barnes Ward, in my original representation I made reference to the fact that I was unaware of any liaison between Harrodian School or BCA with the local community. I have worked closely with BCA on many local projects but I in this case I am still unaware of what amenities Harrodian School will be offering to the community if the development proceeds. As it isn't proposed to be built on MOL I believe it is only right that any benefits should be made public now.

I believe Mr Paul Tapper has fully set out the current situation on behalf of residents, referring Council to Counsel's Opinion supplied by Reuben Taylor QC. I am in full agreement with him.

Best regards

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Vice-Chairman Regulatory Committee