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On behalf of the Beaufort Rd Residents association

I wanted to bring to your urgent attention a process failure regarding the London Plan Fire Safety Strategy (FSS) report for this application. On the 25th April 2022 we raised a formal objection to the FSS report submitted which is listed on the council website as an objection and our objections are again attached to this email. The London Plan D12 A lays out a clear process for handing 3rd party objections Fig 2, page 9, which states " *If a third party submits objections to the Fire Safety information, the local planning authority will pass these to the applicant. The applicant can choose to respond with the following*" and details the options for a response.

To the best of our knowledge the Applicant has not been made aware by the Council of a 3rd party objection to the FSS report and no course of action outlined in Fig 2 has taken place. In affect you have now have an invalid FSS report as the 3rd party objection process has not been followed.

Beyond being a process problem the issues we raised in our objection are very serious and something all parties should be very concerned with. The report is sub standard with glaring issues and is authored by an unqualified individual. We notified the LFB of our concerns who declined to get involved and also commented that they had no knowledge of any current fire safety certificate on record for this facility. At the same time, we notified the authors of the FSS report of our concerns, and they refused to respond to us.

This is the exact problem scenario the London Plan set out to avoid after the Grenfell Tower tragedy and we want to make sure these mistakes are not replicated in consideration of this facility.

Please can you advise on when our objections will be taken seriously and answered under the suggested framework before any planning committee meeting.

Thank you