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5 Out of 10 for North Circular Plans

Enfield Greens have welcomed some aspects of the North Circular proposals, whilst having deep reservations about the thinking behind the plan. We are lobbying Transport for London (TfL) with a number of local and global concerns.

We like:

- ✿ Extra safety measures such as more pedestrian crossings.
- ✿ Reduced rat-running through adjacent residential roads.
- ✿ Road margins to include trees and shrubs.

We question:

- ✿ The lack of any traffic calming measures on Warwick Road, which already suffers particularly badly from rat-runners.
- ✿ The likely increase traffic. More traffic will just add to congestion, rat-running and pollution somewhere else, while bringing only a temporary improvement in Bowes Road.
- ✿ The demolition of houses and businesses which the plan involves.

We worry about:

- ✿ What the fallback plans are if the safety measures which form the backbone of the scheme fail to reduce accident figures.
- ✿ Whether the plan is just marking time until there is money available for major widening to increase traffic flow, with all the disadvantages detailed above.

STOP PRESS

Statement from Jean Lambert, Green MEP, on the London bombs:

“This is a cowardly and obscene act of terrorism.

“Violence solves nothing: it breeds fear and hatred, and the world has more than enough of that.

“My heart goes out to the families of the dead and injured, who reflect the diversity of London, including race and religion.”

What are we doing about it?

- ✿ Campaigning for measures to end rat-running in Warwick Road.
- ✿ Pressing Transport for London (TfL) on exactly how much extra traffic the scheme will generate.
- ✿ Using **Green Party** members of the London Assembly Jenny Jones and Darren Johnson to lobby Ken Livingston about the loss of homes and shops.

We say, **“Building more roads is stupidity. Knocking down homes and shops to build more roads is utter madness.”**

For more information

The detailed plans are available from Transport for London, on www.tfl.gov.uk. Contact details for Enfield **Green Party** are overleaf.

- ✿ Advanced energy efficiency to reduce CO2 emissions
- ✿ Protecting green spaces all over Enfield
- ✿ Bringing public transport back into public ownership
- ✿ More support for walking and cycling in Enfield
- ✿ Keeping schools, hospitals and council housing in public ownership
- ✿ Local services within walking distance
- ✿ Scrapping nuclear weapons and using the money to tackle poverty
- ✿ Higher top rate of income tax to pay for better public services
- ✿ Air traffic congestion charge instead of airport expansion

Protecting Green Space

As Green News goes to press, Middlesex University are about to submit their proposals for expanding their campus at Trent Park. The Trent Park site is in London's precious Green Belt, and we say that it must be protected from development.

The Green Belt is a quiet, green space to be enjoyed by everybody at all times. We will oppose proposals which:

- ✿ Increase the visual impact of the buildings, either height or 'footprint',
- ✿ Increase traffic to and from the site,
- ✿ Threaten the flora and fauna,
- ✿ Threaten the peace and quiet of the place,
- ✿ Threaten full public access.

We think that the University should expand at other sites within Enfield. These would be in the communities that the University claims to serve.

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Green candidate Trevor Doughty won more than 1,000 votes at the General Election.

Greens up 64%

Green Party candidate for Enfield Southgate, Trevor Doughty, achieved a 64% increase in the party's vote at the general election to over 1,000 votes.

Trevor said **"I would like to thank the many people who voted green in May. The election was a great chance to speak to voters and listen to people's concerns. Sometimes it feels like Noah warning people about the flood, but we will press on. We are making a difference."**

Since the election, Trevor has already written to the new MP, Tory David Burrowes, on issues such as climate change.



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