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To: Jinder Ubhi
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Now I see why you are sitting quiet;

AJ News today reads *Peter Barber Architects reveals Newham back-to-back housing, 23 June, 2015 | By Laura Mark.*

It seems we're on our way back to the 19th century.

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Thankyou very much, Richard.

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From: Richard Linton
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To: 'Peter Dew'
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Thanks for the clarification Peter

We'll keep you in the minor alterations process (Carmel to note) and I'll ask Jennifer to respond to you now...

Rich

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Thank you too for the clarification regarding the alternative consideration procedures, but presumably, you could follow both. Naturally, I would be very honoured to be consulted and wouldn't want to push you in either direction, so long as the proposal is considered.

Can you imagine what state the hotel industry would be in if it wasn't for motoring organisations initiating star ratings 60 years ago, though I see the RAC has recently withdrawn owing to the complexity of modern grading ? I think the point to stress in my proposal for housing is that anyone with a tape measure could do it, without any cost, and that the general standard of housing is bound to improve as a result.

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