GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY

(By email)

Our Ref: MGLA170220-2957

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Dear

Freedom of Information - A2 Dominion, Hounslow West tube station car park.

Thank you for your request for information which the Greater London Authority (GLA) received on 17 February 2020. Your request has been dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

You asked for:

I would like to see analysis the mayors office has carried out in relation to the following questions* I would appreciate if you provide me with the full analysis undertaken and not standard answers.

Our response to your request is as follows:

An application has yet to be submitted on this site. GLA officers are currently in pre-application discussions with the applicant.

It is for the applicant to submit full details of the impact of the application scheme including impact on congestion; potential for crime; delivery of affordable housing; impact on waste; structural implications; parking; impact during construction; access; noise; maintenance etc (matters relating to impact on property prices is not a planning consideration).

Once the application is lodged, the Council and the Mayor will fully consider the applicant's documentation and determine whether the proposals are acceptable and if information is lacking or issues are raised; further information and/ or changes to the scheme will be requested as required. During which time the public will also be invited to review the submission in full and provide representations to inform this process.

Once the application has been submitted and the Council has referred the application to the Mayor for further consideration, the Mayor's response will be made available online approximately 6 weeks following referral at the following web address:

https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/planning/planning-applications-and-decisions/planning-application-search

Should there be any issues with the application, the GLA will work closely with the applicant and Council to remedy these.

Once the Council has resolved to approve or refuse the application, it would then be referred back to the Mayor to determine whether the Mayor is content to allow the Council to determine the application itself or if it is refused, whether or not the Mayor wishes to call the application for his own determination. This is known as the Stage 2 response.

Any representations made during the application process received by the Council or directly to the Mayor will be fully considered in making the Stage 2 decision.

If you have any further questions relating to this matter, please contact me, quoting the reference at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Information Governance Officer

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https://www.london.gov.uk/about-us/governance-and-spending/sharing-our-information/freedom-information

1. The impact to local property prices? If the impact is negative, is the mayors office going to compensate?

Impact on congestion? Hounslow West is already a very congested area, currently there are two other large scale developments in progress, so what type of impact will the third development have on congestion?

The impact on crime? Hounslow West has some of the highest crime rates in the local area, will there be a direct correlation between more people and crime?

Will these flats be for private buyers, or for council use?

The impact on refuse and hygiene? Hounslow West is a popular commercial area full of shops and restaurants, keeping the area clean is already a challenge, how will more flats impact the hygiene of the area?

Hounslow West tube station has one the largest car parks in London, many people travel from afar to make use of the parking facilities, what will the impact be on daily commuters for whom parking facilities are essential?

Impact on land subsidence? needless to say under the tube station car park is the underground tube lines, building flats require large and deep foundations to be dug? can this have an impact on land subsidence for properties local to the car park? what measures will the mayors office take to ensure that there is no impact?

Is the Mayors office working with the local council? a proposal of turning large parts of the area into one way streets was communicated by the local council, this proposal was made in an attempt and control the traffic, what impact will this new development have on the councils ambitions and planned works?

Will the new flats provide car parking facilities?

What measure will be taken to ensure that access to light for local resident and the properties is not impacted?

What will be impact on residents during the construction of the development? e.g. road closure, access to facilities etc.

My understanding is that the development proposes to move the stations entry\exit to the corner of Ambassadors Close? This a residential area, what will the impact be on residents if this was to happen?

Hounslow West is a very busy bus terminal, approx. 10 - 12 different bus services stop in front of the tube station? how will this be managed in light of such a development moving ahead?

Who will ensure that the development remains in a good state of repair?

Will the mayor be offering schemes to local residents who wish to move due to the additional noise and congestion such a development will bring?

Certain parts of the car park is very close to local residents, Hounslow air quality is not good, what impact will the construction have on air quality of local residents?