## **MAYOR OF LONDON**

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Dear Sian,

Thank you for your letter of 2 September about the planning applications at Homebase and Tesco, Syon Lane and setting out your concerns regarding these proposed developments. I note the issues set out in your letter and the range of concerns raised by local residents.

As you are aware, both applications were referrable to me under the 2008 Mayor of London Order. On 8 April 2021, Hounslow Planning Committee resolved to grant planning permission for both applications. This was in line with the recommendation of planning officers as set out in the Planning Committee reports.

On 7 September 2021, the Deputy Mayor for Planning, Regeneration and Skills (acting under delegated authority) considered these applications, taking into account all of the comments in objection and support that were submitted to both the local planning authority and the Greater London Authority (GLA), as well as the range of planning issues raised in the GLA planning officer's Stage 1 and Stage 2 reports. Your objection was set out in detail in the GLA's Stage 2 reports, alongside all of the other comments received on the applications. Your specific concerns in relation to residential quality; height and local character; the provision of family housing; and the site's existing public transport access level were given careful consideration by the Deputy Mayor when reaching the above planning decisions.

The Deputy Mayor decided that he was content to allow the local planning authority to determine the applications, subject to any action that the Secretary of State may take. The Stage 2 decisions and reports can be found online via the following links:

- Homebase Stage 2 decision and Stage 2 report
- Tesco Stage 2 decision and Stage 2 report

Yours sincerely,

Sadiq Khan

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