

# Comments for Planning Application 20/2988/FUL

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Proposal: Use as a Place of Worship (D1 use) and for ancillary community uses, public conferences and performances

Case Officer: Dominic Duffin

## Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

- Request to speak at committee

Comment: Dear Barnet Council Planning Application Department

As a local resident of many years I object to the new planning application from the Centre for Islamic Enlightenment for the Golders Green Hippodrome, to be used as a Place of Worship (D1) on the following grounds:

1- traffic - the application foresees an increase in place of worship of over 3,500 attendees, from early morning to late at night which will lead to massive incoming traffic from other parts of London. Emergency services which use North End Road as the shortest and fastest access to the Royal Free Hospital and other areas are likely to be affected.

2- parking - the a.m. increase in traffic will most likely result in parking issues due to the limited availability of public parking and garages

3- noise pollution - such increase in numbers might lead to significant levels of noise, even if incoming and outgoing attendees and visitors are very quiet (which is unlikely due to human nature)

4- light pollution - longer hours will mean longer lighting of the building and surroundings due to the necessary security for increased visits and traffic

- air pollution - increased traffic will lead to increased pollution at a time when London air quality is already poor and many young and older people suffer and even die from such (see our Mayor Sadiq Khan's fight against asthma related deaths due to traffic in the capital)

5- questionable benefit from more diversity - while diversity is welcome in general the area is already highly diverse in the residents' backgrounds and there is no need to change the demographics by bringing in non-residents at the expense of residents

In conclusion I strongly recommend not to permit the change in the planning permission and use of the Hippodrome and object to any action or permission that will or might lead to a deterioration

of the situation.

Sincerely



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Comment Reasons:

Comment: The large Islamic Centre in Golders Green Hippodrome will create or increase

1) traffic problems, highway obstruction and congestion;

2) noise and disturbance;

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Comment: I am a local resident of over 20 years and I object to the new planning application from the Centre for Islamic Enlightenment for the Golders Green Hippodrome, to be used as a Place of Worship (D1) due to the following reasons:

- 1) heavy traffic: A place of worship for over 3,500 attendees, from early morning to late at night will lead to massive incoming traffic from other part of London. Pavements will be blocked for pedestrians who are trying to go about their business.
- 2) Emergency services that use North End Road (a single road) and is the only direct, short and fast access to the Royal Free Hospital would lead to all neighbouring areas to suffer for delayed access.
- 3) parking: the above mentioned increase in traffic will most likely result in parking issues due to the limited availability of public parking and garages leading to visitors leaving their cars parked illegally.
- 4) noise pollution: such increase in numbers might lead to significant levels of noise, even if incoming and outgoing attendees and visitors are very quiet (which is unlikely due to human nature)
- 5) light pollution - longer hours will mean longer lighting of the building and surroundings due the the necessary security for increased visits and traffic
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Comment: I support this application. It will impose no undue burden on the area, whether in terms of traffic or noise. It will provide an additional place of worship and so add to the borough's diversity, which we should not seek to limit. The building was previously a place of worship and posed no issue to the area. Before that it was an events venue, similarly creating no problem. Putting this building to such good use will enhance the quality of life in our borough and send a clear signal of tolerance and acceptance.

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: Numerous reasons for my objection.

1. "Ancillary community uses" in this proposal could open the door to unlimited activities desirable or not.
2. As the associated Travel Plan document of July 2020 clearly states, The Hippodrome only has a small on-site car park for 30 cars.
3. The nearest public car park is located at Brent Cross Station which is inconvenient for visitors to the Hippodrome.
4. The proposal contains no plan for an underground car park for around 5000 cars - if it did I would not be minded to object as that is what is needed.
5. Even a small development of flats in nearby Childs Hill provides underground parking facilities - why not build underground parking for Hippodrome users?
6. There is not adequate on-street parking (for potential Hippodrome users) available in the vicinity of The Hippodrome to make this proposal credible or acceptable.
7. Side streets surrounding The Hippodrome will get clogged with traffic from Hippodrome users and cars will park illegally and block private driveways. Not possible to steward or outlaw this.

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Comment: There are so many synagogues in Golders GREEN and around. There is a large Muslim population in this area and they should have flexibility like the Jews to go to their place of worship. The Jewish lobby is promoting hatred and racism. Let's not get caught up in the politics and abolish these differences once and for all. This is our home too and we should have a place of worship that we can attend and go for lectures and be a community.

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Comment: Barnet Planning Department

planning.consultation@barnet.gov.uk

Objection to Planning Consultation Application Ref: 20/2988/FUL

Re: Golders Green Hippodrome, North End Road, Golders Green NW11 7RP

The conversion of the Hippodrome to an Islamic centre (Place of Worship / Mosque?) - intending to be one of the largest in Western Europe, according to its website would require significant change to the interior of the iconic Grade II Listed Building.

A Mosque has no need for theatre seats, it merely requires floor space to accommodate the large number of worshippers, which would require the removal of the seats.

The Hippodrome can accommodate up to 3,200 people but has parking for only 30 vehicles - the resulting additional traffic from its visitors, seven days a week would mean a significant increase to traffic to Golders Green, which is already congested; the surrounding streets will become one gigantic car park. Parking is already a major problem in the area; including driveways being blocked during the unauthorised use of the Hippodrome following the enforcement notice by Barnet Council (April 2019).

In addition, extended opening hours, from 8AM to 12:30AM would cause severe disturbance late at night, with traffic and people noise, to the local population, especially with the limited available

public transport.

Prior to planning being granted for the change of use, prayer mats have already been laid out in what were the stalls (Guardian 15/1017) in total disregard to planning consent - a sign of things to come?

In summary, we believe that the Hippodrome should be returned to being a public facility to be used by all faiths and non-believers alike. The Hippodrome should be preserved as a public amenity in its original form, not as an edifice for a particular religious group - fully protected by a preservation order.

Yours sincerely,

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Comment: To keep this brief, We live not far from this area and when they did have people coming and going before covid19 started all our streets were blocked with extra cars parking every where. They had no consideration for the local residents. We could not park easily. A large increase of people not from this area.

A place accommodating up to 3200 people without enough parking places ( 20 places) would only increase congestion in our area which is already well over congested at the best of times. Increase in pollution. A large increase of cars and taxis ferrying people into the area. Large crowds of people coming and going at all times of day, evening and night.

Our area is already limited with parking places. The main round about which meets GG road Finchley Rd and the North End Rd is way over congested and any increase on this level will bring more travel issues to the area. We simply do not have the space for such a large increase in people and cars.

A further issue is the amount of rubbish that such a large place would produce and they do not have sufficient facilities to cope with this, besides the rubbish lorries that would be needed to remove all this rubbish would be another strain on our roads. What about deliveries of goods how is this been dealt with?

This place is not being used for what it really was made for.



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Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I oppose this development on the grounds that it will change the character of the area. The development would not serve current members of the community in Golders Green. The increase in traffic and general congestion will also decrease the standard of living in the area. It is on the said grounds that I object to The Hippodrome, North End Road, London NW11 7RP, being turned into a mosque.

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Comment: I'm horrified by the islamophobia being displayed here! There are loads of places of worship belonging to other religions d around folders green and no objection has been raised to them!!

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Comment: Supporting the centre application to be give planning permission

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Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I absolutely object this planning application as this will cause severe problems with parking in the area and the heavy traffic and congestion that it will cause is unthinkable. Also this building is a great piece of history in Golders Green with this great building and we don't want this being converted into a mosque under any circumstance. If this was to go ahead it will cause only mayhem on every aspect.

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Commenter Type: Member of the Public

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: The continued preservation and use of this historic building for all to enjoy in these changing times is something to be embraced.

Its location so close to a large public transport hub makes it ideal.

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Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I support the use of the building as a place of worship for a Muslim group and don't see any reason too object to this. As a practising Christian, I respect the right of people of Faith to worship in the way they wish and reject racism and Islamaphobia.

[REDACTED]

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Comment: It will help the community a lot

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Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Barnet is a multicultural community and we are proud for its diversity. Stopping any rebuilding or development of places of worship is a sign of hate crime which should not be tolerated in our wider society.



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Comment: Having been bought up in the Barnet neighborhood i see no need for this project to go ahead the area is already extremely populated with extreme parking and travel issues this project will only disrupt travel more then it already is.

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Comment: This is a multi cultural and multi faith society, we all should have the right to a place of worship. Discrimination should not exist in this day and age. We should all look towards being a community that is respectful of all cultures and beliefs.

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: The application is simply changing a church into a place of worship, no other changes are being asked for. The building will undergo no changes and its previous use as a church had similar numbers and traffic provision. I fully support this application as it provides a necessary community provision, is situated next to an important transport hub that greatly reduces the need for cars and involves no changes to a historic building.

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Comment: Will be too many fights and taking over the entire neighborhood.

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Comment: I believe this is an important project to support. The growing Muslim community lacks enough prayer space in the the London Borough of Barnet. They need to be supported in creating such places of worship that can be also use to build bridges with other communities.

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: I object to the proposed use.

The location is not suitable for proposed use as the immediate area and surrounding streets would be unable to cope with parking which is already extremely difficult.

Furthermore, a place of worship of this size would inevitably serve as a hub for people from outside the borough thus bringing large numbers of people to the area and the inevitable congestion, noise and disturbance.

This would potentially change entirely the character and serenity of the neighbourhood.



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Comment: I am writing to you to support the planning application to ensure that the Markaz el Tathgeef, located at the Hippodrome, Golders Green can finally open as an Islamic Community Centre and place of worship. This would be in line with your arrangements in the 2007 planning arrangements agreed with the previous occupier of the premises and would be in full recognition of your proposed Inclusion, Equality and Diversity policy.

I'm concerned that the delay in providing this planning agreement has provided time for those seeking to divide our community and who have been given greater opportunities for promoting inappropriate and misleading information which peddles myths and prejudice which increases tension between communities.

I fully appreciate that the planning process is intended for independent non-political interference which encourages democratic consultation and discussion. Therefore, please do not be persuaded by an anonymous body that makes unsubstantiated and unverified claims, in pursuance of an intolerant cause that creates these divisions.

I've personally witnessed and been present at the various public events organised by the Centre (on Mitzvah Day, Tree Planting and attendance at Barnet Councils HMD for example) and it is my understanding that the Trustees have at all times responded immediately to any concerns raised by planning officers. They have also provided professional information and documents necessary to comply and conform with all legitimate planning concerns.

I have the upmost regard for and trust that those responsible with the task of deciding these sensitive and sometimes difficult issues and that will take full appreciation of the rights of all faiths to enjoy the peace and prosperity offered by the people of this great borough.

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Comment: I'm local in the area and would love to attend at the center as it's near by to home and a place whereby my kids can develop on their religious teachings

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Comment: Its a peace ful place of worship. The youth benefits from it by getting lectures to good things, respect people, be kind to parents and nieghbours etc. To avoid drugs and gangsters. It benefits the community.

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## Customer Details

Name: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I have been president of Barnet for over 50 years - I am proud of its unique identity as a truly diverse community - Dozens of ethnic groups and religions exist in total harmony within its jurisdiction as well as complete tolerance of all religions and cultures - long may this persevere.

The Hippodrome is an Historic Building which should be used to embrace and celebrate the diversity and cultures of all citizens of Barnet - the Hippodrome could and should be used as a gathering place of any Barnet communities and not limited to the usage for one group - it could be used as a Theatre, Cinema, Hold Festive Celebrations. Why not create a Barnet Festival each alternative year in which all cultures exhibit - I am positive that the citizens would gladly contribute to all aspects of this celebration -

Lets us celebrate our unique diverse identity rather than follow the dictates of previous regimes and introduce segregation or the more common word - apartheid !!!! -

Allow us to be truly integrated -reject the concept please

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: To whom this may concern:

As a resident of Golders Green for over 20 years I very much object this planning application as this will cause severe problems with parking in the area.

I will also increase the pressure on the already congested roads around the station,

The building is a great piece of history in Golders Green and it would be wrong to convert it into a mosque or any other use under any circumstance.

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Address: [REDACTED]

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Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I go there for my religious programs with my children.

This is my community centre with Quran class and kids activities for special events.

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: I see no reason why this should not be approved, other than blatant racism/Islamophobia. What difference does it make, as long as they take care of the Listed structure? It was a "place of worship" under the Christian lot, it can be the same for the Muslims. The Christians were there for 10 years. The building has been a community space since it was built over a hundred years ago. It was never a "church" because the ground is not consecrated. So what's the problem with the Markaz being able to use it? It was a storage space for the BBC for four years. Does that mean it has to stay as a storage space?! Of course not! This is racism, pure and simple. There is no actual reason why not. This is the man you're being asked to listen to: "A SELF-STYLED "mosque buster", who boasts that he has blocked plans for 16 mosques across Britain, was once linked to the far-right English Defence League (EDL) and claims that Islam encourages paedophilia, sexual abuse and pimping. Gavin Boby, a planning lawyer from Bristol, urges his followers to undermine planning applications for mosques by raising their opposition with councils". Source: Sunday Times, 13 January 2013. Barnet is a multicultural borough and we are proud of that fact. The Markaz have every right to use the building as they wish/need. They came here to escape persecution by Saddam Hussein. We must protect their rights here. What signal are we sending if they are persecuted here too?! Don't let the bigots and racists take control of our borough via the planning system.

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Address: [REDACTED]

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I strongly object to this change of use of the Hippodrome.

I have noticed that the people who are supporting this are not from the local area but from places like Luton etc meaning they would be travelling a long distance to use the venue!!

Golders Green cannot take any more traffic as it is so congested already.

There are no parking facilities so they will be parking in residential roads day & night for prayers 5 times a day.

This road is the main route to the Royal Free Hospital used regularly by ambulances & emergency vehicles so increased traffic & congestion will block their route & cost lives

The increased pollution from more vehicles in an already polluted area is unacceptable!

Please reject this application

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: As a Methodist minister now in Barnet but formerly in Golders Green, I have seen the positive work of Markaz. They have supported multi-faith work in the Borough and contributed to the life of the community. They hosted a meeting of leaders from different faith communities which I was pleased to be at. Barnet has been a generous and hospitable borough and I hope that continues with the support of this planning application.

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Address: [REDACTED]

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Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I have lived in Golders Green since the eighties.

The Hippodrome which is a Grade 2 listed building with protected use was designated as a place of entertainment

since 1900. Over the years I had many times enjoyed visiting the place for some wonderful live shows by different organisations including the BBC.

The Hippodrome is located at a major junction which is already busy with heavy traffic on any normal day. It is also on route to the Royal Free Hospital. Ambulances already find it challenging to get through the current traffic.

This application for a change of use, to full conversion to a Mosque for 3,500 worshipers changes that protected usage completely.

The implications will also create major problems in the area for transport, environmental degradation, pollution, noise, ambulance access to the Royal Free Hospital, congestion, traffic jams & parking. Local residents already have great difficulty finding parking spaces in the area.

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Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: I am supporting this, because I believe every community has to have an equal right of use.

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Commenter Type: Member of the Public

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: The local community is in need of a place with these activities available

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Address: [REDACTED]

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment:1. This is an important Grade II listed site in the history of Golders Green and is too large for sole use by a single community of any faith. As mentioned in the Heritage Statement the building is a rare example of a surviving suburban theatre and as such should be retained as an auditorium for secular arts/community use. The loss of such a centre is a loss of amenity and damaging to the area and a contravention of policy CS6 of the Local Plan which is to encourage a mix of uses including leisure.

2. The proposed principal use is as an Islamic Centre with main activities centred around Islamic religious focus with a weekly schedule of events including regular communal prayer, gathering for marking religious festivals and events relating to religious figures. This by definition excludes a large proportion of the local population.

3. There will be a large amount of increased traffic on already very congested main arterial routes.

4. NPPF - para 91 promotes social interaction widest served by a secular cultural centre. Para 92 cultural facilities should cater for all sections of the community. Para 127 - to create places that are "inclusive".

5. London Plan - policy 3.16 promote and enhance social infrastructure with facilities accessible to all sections of the community.

6. New draft London Plan - GG1 ensure everyone is able to benefit from spaces, services and amenities regardless of ...religion.

7. Local Plan - CS6 encourage a mix of uses including leisure. CS10 inclusive design of hubs for the whole community.

In conclusion, this site is a statement site in the centre of Golders Green which should be utilised for the benefit of the whole community.

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Name: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

- Request to speak at committee

Comment: Dear sir/madam

As we live in this wonderful and multicultural country what we love most and make us proud to be a British citizens is the freedom of speech and freedom of religion and freedom of expression



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Address: [REDACTED]

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Commenter Type: Member of the Public

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: This place is a great place for coming together to meet and pray as a community  
And good workshops for the kids

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Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Ref 20/2988/FUL GG Hippodrome.

The conversion of the hippodrome into a one of the biggest Islam centres in Europe capable for up to 3200 people in an area that's heavily congested and with no parking facilities is not viable.

Golders Green is already heavily congested despite recent attempts to upgrade infrastructure.

There are very little parking facilities already in Golders Green, and it's already hard to park if you want to go to the local shops

Putting in a mosque will increase the traffic congestion, the competition for limited parking which will impact local shops and the overall pollution.

For locals who live in the area having up to 3200 people or even half of that descend on what is a suburban family area will have a detrimental impact on the quiet enjoyment of all the roads around the area suffering from parking issues and increase footfall. As do similar areas near stadiums who have to put parking restrictions up on match days.

There is no obvious heavy concentration of Islamic community in the area so the majority of people will be travelling via car.

It would make more sense and benefit to house one of the biggest Islamic centres of worship in an area with a higher concentration of Islamic community, as they would benefit more and the impact on congestion would be less as they would be able to walk.

There is also a big shortage of policing in the Barnet area at the moment so pulling on these resources to assist with traffic policing will be a further drain in resources.

Hampstead Garden Suburb is also a conservation area so it would be nice to maintain the building for the arts as was intended.

To sum

This will have a negative impact on;

1. Traffic and congestion
- 2, there is no parking in the area certainly not enough to cater for 300 extra people let alone 3200 on a busy day
3. Local high street will suffer as you will be unable to park to go to the shops
4. Disruption to local residents with increase footfall
5. Increase in pollution in area

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## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: I will support the place multi fith

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Name: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

- Request to speak at committee

Comment: The permission to grant this application and the applicants a D1 license will be very beneficial as the local community would be able to come together alongside the youth and children to be socially active and be morally and ethically educated in coexistence and harmonious relationships with the local community

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Comment Reasons:

- Request to speak at committee

Comment: It's completely crazy to even suggest having 3,200 seats for prayers with additional room for standing - area is heavily congested with traffic/ people in that intersection - whole of Finchley Rd is constantly congested - Golders Green rd. noise pollution is already v bad there & with increase of cars/ buses the air quality would get 100x worse. My wife, I & 1 child suffer from asthma - it would bring so much pollution- increase in rubbish- all gg public bins are already over filling - thus would make gg cleanliness even worse - parking - there is not enough parking spaces - I'm disabled & rely on disabled parking - there is no space to park for me - traffic plus increase of people would make it impossible to get mobility in around the area !!! I use to live in Cricklewood I know first hand how these things go - it was a disaster with non moving traffic, noise / air polluting - it got so bad I had to move. 460/260 bus routes would take up to 35 mins to move 3 cars !! On festivals it would keep me awake people talking at 11 pm in the summer - all night in fact as the mosque was used 24/7 all hours - I can't cope with a repeat noise pollution !!!

I had to see my grandparents in Willesden and this was a nightmare as the minarets would be on all the time causing terrible distress to their sleeping in the night and day.

G Green hippodrome has been an iconic landmark and a place where it was safe- with so many people Cing and going it would be v scary people loitering around that area all night & day - it would be scary to hv so many people congregating in a small area - transport to royal free abd bus stops ??? It's just a v bad location to hv a place like this in central g green - I hv appt all the time in royal free - the busses and traffic is already bad on the bus route from gg station to royal free - the bus stop is always packed there outside station - also bus routes towards Swiss Cottage it's over congested



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Address: [REDACTED]

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Hi,

Each community needs a gathering place which could be a place of worship or just a community/leisure centre.

Freedom of religion and rights of assemble (Article of 11 Human Rights) is to be respected by everyone specially those who are in the vicinity of such centres without being prejudice.

As Shia Muslim we do need this centre specially in this location with excellent public transport.

This will in turn results in gather and support young people especially the unemployed one instead of them getting involved in crime and extremism.

Regds

[REDACTED]

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: I support this application as it allows a multi-purpose venue for the community.

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## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: We live in a road adjacent to the site and are concerned with the problems which were caused by poor parking and late night disturbance when the 'Mosque' first opened, some months ago. Although the plan provides considerable detail on the forecast travel data and the planned controls and periodic monitoring of the congregation's travel arrangements, there is no guarantee that swift action would follow if the forecasts turn out to be incorrect in practice. In the meantime local residents could be inconvenienced and upset.

Allied to the above are the late finishing hours shown for many of the activities, which could lead to late night noise and disturbance in the local residential streets. .

The plans to make it 'among the largest Islamic Centres in Europe' doesn't appear to fit well with the religious ethos of the area. It seems somewhat out of place, for such a significant Islamic centre.

The previous tenants were also a religious group who fitted in well into the area but had nothing like the size of congregation being projected in this case.

I happened to notice one minor inaccuracy in para. 4.2 of the 'Site Location and Operation' section, where it states that 'the A502 meets the A406, North Circular Road' approximately 100 metres NW of the site. I don't know the actual distance but it must be more like a mile!

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Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: If approval were to be given for The Hippodrome to become "among the largest Islamic Centres in Europe" (quote from the mosque organisers), there would be major ramifications for the entire area.

1. It would be a cause of greatly increased traffic and road obstructions caused by vehicles dropping off and picking up.

2. The Hippodrome is a building of national historical importance and pride, we are fortunate to have located in Golders Green, Barnet. It has served the entire community for decades. It would be a great loss to our culture to have it converted to serve just one denomination.

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Name: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: To Whom It May Concern

I have lived in the northwest London area for many years and grew up with the iconic Golders Green Hippodrome where I was treated on many occasions to some wonderful entertainment. It has proudly and majestically been serving the community as a performance and entertainment venue attracting all communities which makes it so unique. It can be easily accessed by public transport, making it a very attractive venue for multicultural events/exhibitions/shows/theatre and serve the wider community at large. This magnificent much-loved building which is the pride of Golders Green, with its history, design, artistry, and craftsmanship, must be made accessible to everyone in the community to enjoy and benefit from and not one particular sector as the planning suggests.

I am therefore strongly objecting to the current proposal and requesting you to reexamine the issue on these merits

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]



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Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I strongly object to this historic building being converted to serve just one section of the community.

It would cause major traffic and pollution in our local area

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Comment: This will effect our surrounding neighbourhood

Effect parking

Cause congestion

Effect the local transport in the area

The bus stations and train stations and the coaches near by

It's a very large project to impose in the area

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Comment: The proposed use is likely to make the congestion (use of roads, pavements and parking, generally) significantly worse. This will impact on local residents, users of other public amenities (such as Golders Hill Park and Hampstead Heath) - many people will travel to the area to use such wonderful areas of parkland/woodland - and local businesses. Short of excavating under the building (most unlikely to be suitable), I do not see that there is a way for the change of use to do anything other than be extremely detrimental.

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Comment: This is a very busy intersection and will cause a lot of extra traffic, noise and air pollution.

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Address: [REDACTED]

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Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I strongly object to this proposal. The mosque will be totally out of character to the area. The Hippodrome is a historic building that has served the whole community and this application will limit it to just one faith.

Parking is already an issue in Golders Green and the influx of people this will bring to the area will only make it 100 times worse. To have one of the "largest Islamic Centres in Europe" in Golders Green will attract people from all over the UK leading to a huge increase in footfall and cars in the area. Traffic congestion is already a huge issue, adding the cars that will visit the area for the mosque will increase toxic emissions that are already over the legal limit.

Furthermore, I cannot understand why Barnet Council is allowing a second application whilst the first is still undergoing an appeal. This is quite misleading as many people may not respond to this application thinking it is related to the previous application where they would have already responded.

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: Please do 2000

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: [REDACTED] I am one of the community of the member of the community and a bit like a community in London so please this is the markers as our community we meeting each other every week and we have a lot of program we do that so if you are closing this is a place so we don't have any other place to meet each other for me and my family and my friend so please we hope to keep the place open for us and for our for all the community for all religion thank you very much for helping us thank you

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Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Object for the following reasons:

- The roads will be too congested. It is a small intersection!
- Increase of noise and pollution.
- The building is iconic and has plenty of history. (It provides character to Golders Green).
- I feel there will be an increase in anti-Semitic abuse towards the Jewish community.

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Address: [REDACTED]

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: Dear Dominic

We would appreciate your understanding of the need to reopen our place of worship as it is a very important aspect of our life especially during the hard time our country is going through due to the COVID 19 situation.

We pretty sure that you know how bad is the current situation is effecting everybody's mentality, so the need for some relief is real.

[REDACTED]

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: I believe this building should be restored to its original use and brought back to life to benefit the wider community. I hope English Heritage will intervene and help in this regard.

The proposed use as a Mosque shows a huge amount of congregants and this will add to traffic congestion, etc. in a detrimental way.

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- Request to speak at committee

Comment:Appeal

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Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Hi ,

I want this place because this place is very important for me and my family and it's very good for our future infants because it teaches them about our religion and our culture. If we lose this place this will be very bad for us all. So please let us keep this place and we will be very thankful.

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Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: Increasing of congestion. It will be a nightmare to drive!

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: Hi there I really like this place it's good for my kids and if you close it we will be really sad and disappointed and it's very important for our culture. So please let us keep it and we will be very thankful.

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Name: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I would like to object to this application for the following reasons:-

1. Golders Green and Hampstead are conservation areas. The mosque will dominate the area and be completely out of character. This beloved Grade II listed building is an arts and performance space for all, not for just one part of the community. The application will get rid of concerts, conferences, drama and dance. It will irreversibly harm the building's artistic heritage, local character and people's amenities.

2. Congestion and Parking. At over 58,500 sq feet, and over 3000 seats, plus standing room, one of the "largest Islamic Centres in Europe" would attract cars from across the UK and Europe. Opening hours to 23.30 would force people to drive home. Traffic congestion and parking on yellow lines have been continuous problems, the residents' lives have been badly affected by illegal parking and obstruction. Promises to manage traffic completely failed. Congestion is already serious on this major route, and it would become impossible. This mosque would intensify toxic emissions, where twice the legal limit for NO2 has already been reached. This is the worst place the applicants could have chosen.

3. Disturbance. Residents reported constant disturbance until after midnight: car doors slamming, engines revving and lack of consideration for people asleep. Planning conditions were imposed in 2007 for this reason: "to safeguard the amenities of the area". The mosque ignored these conditions, such as opening hours, which would always be hard to enforce, e.g. during Ramadan and Muharram. Their use of the Hippodrome has broken planning control since 2017, and indicates that the use could not be controlled by planning conditions.

I am highly against this. I speak for many.



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Comment Reasons:

Comment: Approving this application will cause noise, pollution and parking problems. It will also put at risk the listed fabric of the building which is not compatible with the proposed form of worship.

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: By the applicants own admission the location of this building does not suit its intended purpose. Whilst I have no issue with the creation of a religious site this particular location is simply not fit for purpose. The surrounding area is already suffering from severe congestion and adding this as an iconic attraction will exasperate an already strained traffic issue.

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: OBJECT. this will draw thousands of vehicles to this location. the vast majority of likely users of the planned mosque are not local (i,e within walking distance) to the location under consideration

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Comment: Having a mosque in a residential area would be very disruptive for the neighborhood. The neighborhood will be congested and lower the quality of life and air.

It will change the character of the area and become noisy for the community.

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Comment Reasons:

Comment: There already exists traffic issues around the area of the Hippodrome as a result of the unauthorised use of it this will only be exasperated should planning consent be granted for the Hippodrome as a full time place of worship.

In addition, the Hippodrome is a historic building and should be conserved as such and continue to be shared by all of the community in Golders Green.

For the above reasons I Object.



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Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I write to object in the strongest terms to the above application on the following grounds:

1. Traffic and congestion have already been intolerable during the occupants unauthorised use of the building until now. These problems will be exacerbated should status as a full time place of worship be granted
2. Noise and disturbance in the area have already been unacceptable and have prevented enjoyment of local amenities as this is in a quiet residential area with Golders Hill Park and Hamstead Heath nearby
3. The mosque organisers have stated publicly that they wish this to be 'one of the largest Islamic Centres in Europe'. This stated aim would clearly severely exacerbate the above issues.
4. The hippodrome is a unique and historic building, designed and built for the enjoyment of all communities. This planning use would preserve the venue for the exclusive use of one part of the community and effectively prevent its enjoyment by the majority of local residents.

For these reasons I would urge the planning officers to reject this planning application