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**Subject:** Basements Publication Policy CL7

Dear Sirs,

As a vociferous opponent from the outset, back to the time of the Arup report, of basement development at sub basement level, I can only welcome the efforts that the Council has made in producing the above. From the "Response Form" I note it states that this is a partial review of the core strategy for RBK&C with a focus on North Kensington. Although I am not resident in North Kensington but in W8 I trust that it is in order to express a view.

We have been asked to judge on the "soundness" or "legal compliance". I am not in a position to comment on the latter, but having thoroughly read the policy, I consider the aims of the Council to be completely justified and therefore sound. Residents have suffered to a scurrilous extent: incessant noise, collateral damage to people's homes, restricted use of the highway, loss of gardens and trees. These are short term observations but in the long term there may well be untold damage to the infrastructure including the water table.

Therefore, I fully support the aims set out in Policy CL7 and trust that the Inspectorate will concur. Kindly keep me advised.

Yours faithfully, Mary Forsyth Resident, Director & Secretary Abingdon Court (Tenants) Kensington Ltd