Whereas the degree RBKC has shifted in its Policies is to be welcomed, there are still several fundamental grounds on which it falls short regarding the impacts of basement developments. These are:-

## Incremental and cumulative effect

Long term impacts, particularly of the displacement, settlement and movement within London Clay (due to Crossrail detailed knowledge exists none of which has been referred to)

## Long term surface and groundwater changes

Particularly in the context of Notting Hill, which is specifically referred to in the Alan Baxter report (is this the final stage of the Scoping Study begun with Ove Arup?)(and the Thames Water Counters Creek

Lack of co-ordination between departments (Highways\*, Building Control, Environmental Health and Planning) which should begin at the planning stage

\*In Feb 2007 I rang the Highways dep and asked what I could do to maintain ambulance access for my 88 year old mother, who had a heart condition (as we has already become surrounded by the building works next door (see photo) and were often failing to get post delivered or dustbins emptied).

I was told I would have to pay to suspend the parking space in front of my house for the duration of the works.

In November 2007 she died of heart failure (after 10 months of continuous exposure to between 75 and 120db *inside our house* - I measured it). I have also lost some hearing.

There was no ambulance access on the day she died.

I was also exposed to Carcinogenic fumes in my house for several weeks from the styrene used to waterproof their raised ground floor balcony which Env Health informed me was only used on roofs and so was no threat to me, although the manufacturers were most concerned at the dangerous, and illegal way in which their highly toxic product was being used. I have since suffered from Breast Cancer.

Never having suffered from either before or since I suffered from extreme sinus and chest problems for two years, requiring several hospital visits after the constant and unprotected exposure to dust from demolition, cement, stone, metal and MDF cutting - all done outdoors on site.

I do not think the planning committee even read the document.

What is called for is a general adoption of the precautionary principle. IE "When an activity raises threats of harm to human health or the environment, precautionary measures should be taken - even if some cause and effect relationships are not fully established scientifically." wingspreadstatement 1998

30th september 2002 the government INTERDEPARTMENTAL LIAISON GROUP ON RISK ASSESSMENT published their approved paper THE PRECAUTIONARY PRINCIPLE: POLICY AND APPLICATION. The precautionary principle was adopted 19th Feb 2013 by the HSE

indeed, it is cited in your own rbkc LDF consultation report october 2009 6.42 the precautionary approach (to flood risk and climate change) is welcomed

I intend to take these issues up as tests of soundness with the planning inspector....

MATTERS 9a and 9b were not discussed by the planning Inspector in 2010 (probably due to everyones absolute exhaustion at the end of the marathon). I reattach my submission.

Finally there is the failure of implementation.

The Councillors voting at a planning meeting, and the officers making recommendations are clearly out of their depth.

They do not read Ove Arup or Alan Baxter, (let alone the now plethora of relevant reports and evidence), but adopt the chinese whisper, the readers digest of the policy statement, the chant..."There is nothing we can do". They do not even read the geotechnics or hydrology of the application before them....HOW CAN THEY THEREFORE PASS JUDGEMENT on the long term effects on historic terraces built on London Clay? Of increased surface water run-off into sewers already full to capacity? On replacing Bazalgettes brilliant use of sustainable gravity for sewerage with pumps that will eventually fail.... and which cause increased risk to neighbours who have NOT compromised the integrated and comprehensive system which has worked for the last 150+ years.