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Conquest Club Site

Dear Resident,

I have had several emails over the past few weeks asking about a school being built on the Conquest Club site on Wood Lane. Some residents have concerns about congestion and the green space, which is Metropolitan Open Land, so I wanted to update you on the information I have received.

I have been asking Hounslow Council about the proposed location of the new school for months and they have been unable to give me any information as they say no planning application for a school has been submitted.

I, therefore, took the initiative to ask for details directly from the school last week. They told me that:

- The Conquest Club site was included as a possible site for a permanent school in the original free school application submitted by the Nishkam School Trust. Their temporary site is currently on the corner of Wood Lane and London Road.
- Hounslow Council and The Education Funding Agency (EFA) have reviewed 193 possible sites, which were shortlisted to 5 with only one option for a site which could be bought.
- The southern end of the Conquest Club site has now been bought by the EFA. Planning permission to build a primary and secondary school, with a small nursery for 1,400 pupils in total will now be sought from Hounslow Council in the next few months.

Following my meeting with the Nishkam School, I immediately then met with a few residents who had contacted me about the proposals.

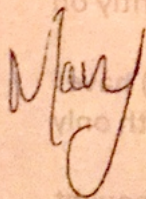
I have suggested the following next steps.

1. I have strongly encouraged the Nishkam School to consult with residents as soon as possible and to provide a named contact who can answer questions from residents. They have said that they will do this immediately after purdah and the General Election.
2. I will provide an update on the situation for the next residents' meeting in mid-May.
3. If elected on Thursday, I will help to arrange a public meeting to discuss this further next month during the planning consultation process.

In the meantime I would encourage residents to get in contact with the Council and the Councillors for Osterley and Spring Grove to ask questions or give their views and feedback. A consultation process will take place towards the end of May.

I will let you all know as soon as I receive any further information about this proposed application.

Best wishes,



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