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Dear Council.

I am writing to express my concern at the proposed residential development of the local business area in Primrose Hill including Leeder House and Triyoga.

Leeder House and the surrounding units house important local businesses and their continued use as business premises should be protected as such under policy DP13.

Although it is the building in front of Triyoga that is the first to be under discussion for development is will only be a matter of time before the whole of the business area is redeveloped and the centre and other business premises are lost. This should not be done without serious consideration to the look of the Conservation area and what it will mean for peoples livelihood. Conservation areas should be preserved, especially as Triyoga serves as a major hub of the local community just as a Community centre does.

Jobs will be lost and the buildings as they stand are low rise and unobtrusive in a Conservation area. I believe the use of the building should not change. Local shops and businesses on the High Street gain from the footfall and stand to be significantly negatively affected by a change in use.

I believe Primrose Hill does not need more residential housing at the cost of loosing local businesses and a centre such as Triyoga that serves the larger community. To go ahead with the development seems purely financial and the full impact of the proposed changes to the local area negative and should not be simply brushed aside as unimportant. I say keep it as it is and let the businesses continue. I am not in support of closing local businesses and Community centres in an already well established residential area when they contribute so much to the community.

Thanks.