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Dear Sir,

I live at 20 Greville Road, bordering the Mortimer Estate. I am very concerned about the proposals to cover the estate in insulated cladding. Mortimer is an attractive estate, with a distinctive, high quality design which complements the neighbouring buildings and the nearby St John's Wood conservation area.

The 1950's brickwork and design of Mortimer Estate is special and the sensitive architecture should be preserved. It would be a great shame if most of the buildings were covered in uniform cladding. I understand that an application has been submitted to Historic England for Mortimer to be granted Grade II listing, and I don't think the Council should be ploughing on with these plans until this is considered.

I am even more worried given that similar external insulation schemes have left council housing blocks looking ugly and dirty within months of the work being done, with a risk of rusting or attracting graffiti. Equally, I am concerned about the cost/value of the project and the risk of such an external insulation scheme causing internal condensation/damp. Has the Council explored internal insulation options? In this time of austerity has an appropriate value for money analysis been done against other forms of insulation / materials? We have successfully fought off dig-downs and extensions in this area to preserve the unique and multicultural character of Greville Rd. Such a mistake would simply undo all of this good work

Please note my opposition to this initiative. I have cc'd my MP and ward councillors to register my concerns.

Kind regards,

Christopher Dabrowski