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**To:** Hope, Obote [REDACTED] Planning [REDACTED]

**Subject:** Fwd: Belsize Launderette Ref: 218/2824/PP

Dear Obote Hope

I strongly object to this Planning Application.

The loss of this Launderette will be a great loss to local people as there is no equivalent facility nearby.

The launderette is always very busy as there are many people locally- particularly in the flats and HMOs around Belsize Village who are not able to have washing machines. Losing the launderette represents a form of social cleansing by making it impossible for all but the richest to live in this area.

The Council needs to consider the impact it would have not only as an amenity but also as a village meeting point for many residents. Launderettes are essential facilities to the community. This launderette also has employees and there has been no information as to what would happen to them.

I request that the Council imposes "article 4" to ensure this essential amenity is retained.

Thank you for your consideration

Best Wishes

Sarah Howard

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