



Dear Bethany. Residents are very concerned about the proposed change of use of the corner shop on Rhyl Street and Malden Road, to residential. We wish to object on their behalf.

In urban design terms, the presence of the shop highlights the corner and helps provide 'eyes on the streets'. This was until recently a very useful shop, although currently being purposely run-down to justify conversion. Work does need to be done to tidy up the the external area and improve the shop front. All the other corner shops on Malden Road that have been converted to residential are in urban design terms 'dead corners'.

We need to resist this continued hollowing out of our neighbourhood, with loss of retail and other commercial space. The proposal will in any case not provide good residential accommodation.

Best wishes

Cllrs Abdul Quadir, Gail McAnena and Alison Kelly
Labour Councillors for Haverstock Ward, LB Camden

