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Dear Tulip Siddiq MP

**Re: Briardale Gardens**

Thank you for your correspondence, dated 19 December 2017 which you sent to both myself and Jamie Blake, Barnet Council on behalf of your constituent Mr Sebastian Correa.

I note that Mr Correa is concerned with safety at Briardale Gardens due to the high volume of traffic using this narrow street. Although Briardale Gardens is within Camden, Finchley Road which allows the turn into Briardale Gardens falls within the boundary of the London Borough of Barnet as Traffic and Highway Authority. For this reason, both councils are involved and as such, this response has been agreed by both councils.

Mr Correa is correct in that Camden consulted in 2016 on the closure of Briardale Gardens where it joins Finchley Road. This was supported by a majority of respondents, and Camden took the decision to approve this together with a timed no right turn (morning restriction) into Pattison Road, a neighbouring Barnet Street in order to minimise any impact from traffic diverting to this street. However, Barnet objected to Camden's Traffic Management Order (TMO) on the grounds that the full closure of Briardale Gardens may lead to traffic using Pattison Road outside of its restricted hours. This prevents Camden implementing the "No Entry" into Briardale Gardens.

The high volume of traffic we agree is generally in the morning period, although Camden considers that there are safety concerns outside of this period due to traffic turning quickly into Briardale Gardens from Finchley Road and also due to congestion and poor driver behaviour when traffic is approaching from both ends along this narrow street.

To address the morning problem, in August 2017 Barnet took the decision to introduce a timed restriction under an experimental traffic order (ETO) for both Pattison Road and Briardale Gardens. As any restrictions on Briardale Gardens will require the signs to be placed on Finchley Road, Barnet has the power to legally introduce the restriction and undertake any enforcement. Camden responded in objection to Barnet's proposal as Camden did not consider that it adequately addressed the safety concerns for Briardale Gardens. This prevents Barnet implementing the timed No Right turn into Briardale Gardens.

Executive Director  
Jenny Rowlands

# TIFFY VEHICLES MAY

① TURN LEFT ONTO FINCHLEY RD

OR  
TO AVOID LOGJAMS and to meet 15-minute deadline will

② EXECUTE A 'U' TURN INTO BRIARDALE GARDENS, double-crossing  
2-way traffic

OR  
③ use pavement, passing pedestrian at LYNDALE AVENUE BUS STOP &  
turn right into BRIARDALE GARDENS.  
BRIARDALE GARDENS to FERNCROFT AVENUE is A FASTER ROUTE TO  
CENTRAL HAMPSHIRE & SWISS COTTAGE where FINCHLEY RD is LOG-JAMMED.

