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ERUV UPDATE

Following our last update, the Ebor Eruv Charitable Trust can now confirm that it has submitted the new planning application to Hertsmere Borough Council.

We now request that the community writes to the planning department to show your support. Given the press coverage which the Eruv has attracted recently, we expect there to be a higher level of objections than with our previous applications and as such, it is vital that as many people as possible write to support this project as soon as possible.

Below is some guidance to assist you.

GUIDE FOR LETTERS OF SUPPORT TO HERTSMERE BOROUGH COUNCIL

1. All letters to be sent to:
The Planning Department,
Hertsmere Borough Council
Civic Offices
Elstree Way
Borehamwood
Herts
WD6 1WA

or emailed to: planning@hertsmere.gov.uk
2. It is also important that copies of all letters are emailed to your local ward councillor (see attached list overleaf) and blind copied (bcc) to the Ebor Eruv Trust on info@eboreruv.org
3. All letters should contain the application reference number TP/10/1304

Whilst letters should be personalised, those writing letters of support may wish to include a selection of the following points:

- As a local resident you wish to express your firm support for this application to primarily vary the positions of a series of poles from the current positions for which permission has already been granted. These poles are essential to begin construction of an 'Eruv' in the area which will benefit many local residents – especially women, children, young families and people with disabilities. The principle was already debated and approved at the previous planning committee hearings.
- Having examined the proposed changes it is your view that the impact upon the local street scenery would be negligible and far outweighed by the wider benefit they would provide. In addition, most of the changes from the prior consent are negligible with minimal impact on the wider surroundings.
- The Eruv Trust has already ensured that 98% of the Eruv boundary is comprised of natural features. These changes do not change this principle.

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- Eruvs utilising poles of a similar nature exist in well over 200 in cities around the world, including: Melbourne and Sydney; Antwerp; Strasbourg; Venice; Johannesburg; Gibraltar and Toronto. Virtually every major city in the United States has one, with a large number in the New York Metropolitan area. The Washington DC Eruv includes the White House, the Supreme Court and the Senate. The Strasbourg Eruv includes the European Court of Human Rights and the European Parliament. In Australia, even Bondai Beach is included within an eruv. In the UK the North West London Eruv covers Hendon, Finchley and Golders Green. Edgware also now benefits from an Eruv covering a significant area. None of these Eruvs have caused any adverse effect to the local area.
- As consent for the wires is not technically part of the planning process we would prefer that letters of support do not refer to the wires at this point.

We have a limited window of opportunity for letters of support (they need to be lodged with the council by 3 August) and would appreciate it if you could act now and send or email in your letter which will make an important contribution towards our efforts to finalise planning permission in a low-key, painless and inexpensive manner.

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Borehamwood Brookmeadow

Councillor Dr Harvey Cohen cllr.harvey.cohen@hertsmere.gov.uk
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