

SAVE GURNELL

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STOP THE GURNELL OVERDEVELOPMENT BUILD COMMUNITIES, NOT TOWER BLOCKS

Ealing Council plan to redevelop the current Gurnell Leisure Centre and build a large residential development on the current site. This sits within the Brent River Park and is designated as Metropolitan Open Land (MOL) which is afforded the same degree of protection as Green Belt.

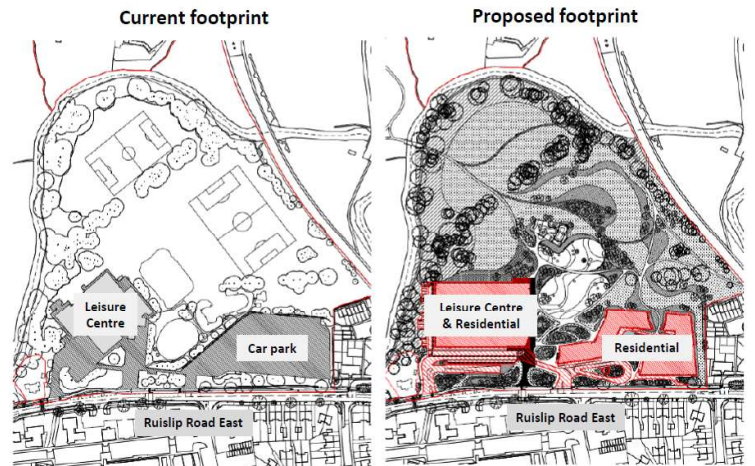
The current proposal is to re-build the leisure centre and 612 residential units across 6 tower blocks rising to 17 storeys (54m) at their highest. This will equate to at least an extra 1,700 people living in the area - the vast majority of the residential units will be private market sale by the developer (EcoWorld).

HOW MUCH IS THIS COSTING THE COUNCIL?

We don't know. Financial details were missing from the last consultation and we have not been able to get an answer to this question. **At least £1.34m has already been spent.**

Additionally, the developer has now walked away from the leisure centre and affordable housing build and the council must find another company to deliver these elements.

The council are taking on direct delivery responsibility for the leisure centre build and the associated risk - they have no additional contingency funds and there is a significant risk that the build is delayed, the leisure centre facilities are reduced or it is demolished and never rebuilt.



LACK OF MEANINGFUL CONSULTATION

The community have not been properly consulted about the leisure centre or the residential development. The future facility mix is not much different to what's currently on offer and an amazing opportunity is being missed here to provide a future-proofed facility. Other new build leisure centres costing the same or less have included facilities such as a hydrotherapy suite to serve the local and wider community with disabilities and those with sports-related injuries.

HOW CAN I MAKE MY VIEWS KNOWN?

We are calling on the council to review its plans for the leisure centre redevelopment and seek alternative options that do not require an inappropriate development to be built on this site.

If you feel this level of development is unacceptable, you can make this known in a number of ways:

- **Sign and share the online petition** (use the QR code on the right, the link is also on our website)
- **Let the Ward Councillors, Ealing Council, Mayor's office and our MPs know what you think before the plans are submitted.** Please see the "How to object" page on our website for all the details
- **Once the planning application has been submitted,** you can make your formal objection

HOW TO CONTACT US AND FOR MORE INFORMATION

Email us at: savegurnell@gmail.com to join our mailing list. We will keep you updated with the latest news and let you know once the planning application has been submitted

Visit our website for more information about the development and our campaign.

Petition link: Open your iPhone camera and position the code in the screen to open the link or use the QR code app for Android phones.

