



# City of Westminster

## Neighbourhood Area Decision Document

Section 61G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as inserted by the Localism Act 2011) provides a local planning authority the power to designate an area as a neighbourhood area.

Under the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 Part 2 Regulation 7(2) a local planning authority must publish on their website, and in such other manner as they consider is likely to bring the designation to the attention of people who live, work or carry on business in the neighbourhood area;

- A document setting out the decision and a statement of their reasons for making that decision (“the decision document”); and
- Details of where and when the decision document may be inspected.

### Neighbourhood area application

Name of proposed neighbourhood area	Chelsea Barracks Neighbourhood Area
Name of applicant	Georgine Thorburn and Jason Gillot
Representation period	31 <sup>st</sup> October 2019 - 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2019

### Neighbourhood area decision

Notice is hereby given that Westminster City Council, through a decision made on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020 by its Cabinet Member for Place Shaping and Planning, has refused the proposed Chelsea Barracks Neighbourhood Area.

### Statement of reasons

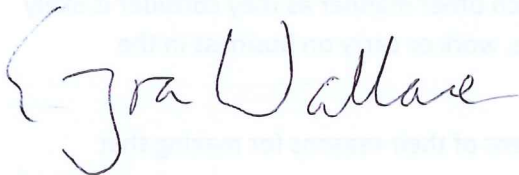
The Proposed Chelsea Barracks Neighbourhood Area application has been refused as:

- i. the proposed neighbourhood area would overlap with the existing Belgravia Neighbourhood Area, where an established group with an open and inclusive membership already exists to take forward neighbourhood planning matters;
- ii. amending the boundaries of Belgravia Neighbourhood Area to enable the designation of the proposed Chelsea Barracks Neighbourhood Area would result in Pimlico Road Local Centre and Belgravia Conservation Area being split across 2 separate neighbourhood areas, risking inconsistent policy approaches coming forward through separate neighbourhoods plans;
- iii. the permitted plans for the Chelsea Barracks site are of a character and orientation that are in keeping with that of the wider Belgravia Neighbourhood Area;

- iv. consultation on the Chelsea Barracks Neighbourhood Area application has generated only one letter of support, and a number of objections as set out in the Cabinet Member Report; and
- v. no clear evidence has been provided that that a representative, open and inclusive group exists to take forward neighbourhood planning in the proposed Chelsea Barracks Neighbourhood Area.

**Details of where and when the decision document may be inspected**

A copy of this decision document will be kept on deposit at the council offices at 64 Victoria Street, London, SW1E 6QP, and will be available for inspection during normal office hours.



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