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Dear Team

Thank you for inviting us to comment on this.

We note that the Neighbourhood Plan includes several mentions of measures to help biodiversity and the inclusion of hedgerows are recommended, both of these to help wildlife such as birds, bees and bats, however there is no mention of hedgehogs. There is a sighting of a hedgehog in the area in question logged on www.bighedgehogmap.org just last year, and this of course relies on interested people to log their sightings, which will not give a full representation of current hedgehog numbers. Recent research has shown that despite a national decline in hedgehog numbers continuing, their numbers seem to be stabilising and possibly increasing in urban areas, so it would seem sensible to build hedgehog highways and hedgehog-friendly management of land into any planning decisions. There doesn't appear to be mention of ensuring that solid boundaries include gaps for hedgehogs. Hedgehog Street (a project jointly funded by BHPS and PTES) has produced a series of guides to help with best practice - the ecology & land management and developers guides found on this page <https://www.hedgehogstreet.org/free-guides-hedgehog-advice-for-everyone/> should be of particular interest.

Best wishes
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Sent: 30 September 2024 10:39
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Publication of the Maida Hill Neighbourhood Plan (Submission Version)

The Council have recently received a submission version of the Maida Hill Neighbourhood Plan from the Maida Hill Neighbourhood Forum. We are now seeking representations on the Plan in accordance with Regulation 16 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended), before it is examined by an Independent Examiner.

The plan includes policies on a range of matters including commercial and mixed-use development, affordable housing, design and heritage, active and healthy travel, public realm and environment. If adopted, the Plan will become part of Westminster’s statutory development plan and will be used alongside the Council’s own planning documents and the Mayor’s London Plan in determining planning applications in the Maida Hill Neighbourhood Area.

Copies of the plan and other submission documents can be viewed on the Council’s website at [Maida Hill Neighbourhood Plan | Westminster City Council](#). Hard copies will also be made available for inspection during normal opening hours at the Council’s offices at 64 Victoria Street, at Maida Vale Library, and at Queens Park Library.

Representations on the Plan should be received by no later than **5pm on 11th November 2024**. They can be made by email to neighbourhoodplanning@westminster.gov.uk. If you wish to be notified of the Council’s final decision in relation to the Plan, this should be made clear in your representation. Due to the process of having an Independent Examination, representations cannot be treated as confidential and will be published on our website alongside your name. If you are responding as an individual rather than a company or organisation, we will not publish your contact details (email and postal address) online, however the original representations will be shared in full with the independent examiner.

The attached guidance note provides further detail on how to make representations, along with some further background information.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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