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I am submitting my response by email, as I found the online portal and online form overly complicated to submit a response through, as an individual with limited knowledge about planning matters.

My comments relate to the following:

- Section 7: Place Based Strategy for Teddington and Hampton Wick (page 48)
- Section 28: Appendix 3 Tall and Mid-Rise Building Zones (page 415)

The plan states that the council's strategy for Teddington is 'to conserve and enhance the town centre's character' including the protection of green space and the provision of spaces for local businesses, which I support.

One of the key sites with development potential identified in the plan is for a 'mid-rise zone' along the railway line north of Teddington station up to and over the bridge. I am concerned about the specific designation of this area as a mid-rise zone, and I consider that a line of buildings at this height would change the character of the town. It would not conserve or enhance it. We already have some pretty unsightly high buildings in this area, and I wouldn't want to see any more.

My think that any new planning application should be considered on its merits and that there should not be a presumption that any building of up to six storeys is permitted.

I am also concerned at the potential loss of Teddington Business Park, which provides much needed office and industrial space and is a valuable and well-designed asset to the town.

I would therefore request that the Local Plan is amended so that this area in Teddington is NOT defined as a 'mid-rise zone'.

Kind regards,

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