

**Question from Osterley and Wyke Green Residents Association
at Isleworth and Brentford Area Forum
17 October 2021**

Hounslow Labour Resident Survey 2021

“Hounslow Labour delivered a flyer with a survey to residents in September asking for suggestions for their manifesto. Are Hounslow Labour totally unaware of the sensitivity in Osterley and Spring Grove ward, when there is so much anger at the Council’s plans to ram through the redevelopment of Tesco and Homebase to huge opposition in the area, yet there was no mention of this in the flyer!”

Councillor Tony Louki responded:

Because of their long term involvement in Osterley and Spring Grove, the three Ward Councillors, Unsa Chaudri, Richard Eason and I are totally aware of all the sensitivities across the whole of our area, the largest Ward in the London Borough of Hounslow.

Most residents and those beyond our boundaries will be aware of our participation in discussions and meetings of and with residents and the Osterley and Wyke Green Residents Association and the other Associations in this great Ward. Indeed,

- I called and paid the rent for the first and only mass meeting of local people on 29 November 2019 at St Francis of Assisi Church to share Berkeley’s proposals.
- Councillor Unsa Chaudri, called the rushed Affordable Housing Committee report on the purchase of 164 properties on the then as yet unapproved Homebase scheme in for Scrutiny in January 2021.
- All three Ward Councillors made a good fist when speaking at the Planning Committee on 8 April 2021.
- Even after the event, I recommended that OWGRA begin gathering signatures for a petition to the Mayor of London to call in the application and helped deliver it to City Hall in May 2021.
- All three Ward Councillors wrote to each and every Greater London Assembly Member urging rejection of the Berkeley/Prudential/Tesco proposal at the London Assembly in September 2021.
- Since then, we have written and published our Letter to Secretary of State Michael Gove MP to reject this insensitive and poorly thought out scheme.

To conclude, from what I understand, that survey went to every household across the whole borough, not just the Ward we try to represent. Between my colleagues and me, we are most sensitive; we have and continue to be sensitive, and always will be.