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I am writing as a resident who lives close to this property. I am finding it very difficult to put into words how upsetting and worrying the situation has become, but I feel it is important that my voice is heard.

As I have grown older, peace, safety, and quiet have become very important to me. Sadly, the current use of this building has already taken these things away. Traffic regularly builds up outside, with cars stopping, turning, and parking where they should not. At times the road becomes congested and unsafe. I feel anxious even stepping outside my home, and I no longer feel confident crossing the road on my own. This has had a real emotional impact on me.

York Avenue is already full of residents' cars, and there is no spare space. When additional vehicles arrive, they block pavements and roads, making it hard for people like me to move around safely. I worry constantly about emergency vehicles being able to get through if they were ever needed.

The noise has also been distressing. There are occasions when music and gatherings can be heard clearly inside my home. For someone of my age, rest and quiet are essential. Instead, I feel unsettled and on edge in what should be my place of comfort.

This house is not suitable for this type of use. It is surrounded by homes and has very limited parking. A place of worship serving many people should be in a proper building designed for that purpose, with safe access and allocated parking, not in a location where elderly residents feel frightened, stressed, and forgotten.

I want to say clearly that this objection is not about religion or community. I respect everyone's beliefs. My concern is about safety, wellbeing, and the simple right to live peacefully in my own home during the later years of my life.

I kindly ask the Council to consider the impact on vulnerable and elderly residents like myself and to refuse this application, or require that this use be moved to a more appropriate site with proper facilities.

Thank you for taking the time to read my concerns.