



From: Councillor Robert Davis DL

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Fitzrovia News,
Fitzrovia Neighbourhood Centre,
39 Tottenham Street,
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Dear Sirs,

Re: Petition to preserve the name 'Middlesex Hospital Chapel'

I refer to your recent Petition asking the Council to intervene by taking action to preserve the name "Middlesex Hospital Chapel". The petition asserts that Exemplar intend renaming the Grade II listed building "Pearson Chapel".

The City Council has made enquiries with Exemplar to seek clarification and they deny that there is any existing proposal to rename the building 'Pearson Chapel'. Exemplar has explained that the Chapel's future use will be as a community facility, which will be open to the public for all to enjoy.

A Steering Group has been set up to form a Chapel Trust, which will take overall responsibility of the Community Centre Building upon its completion. I have been assured that no new name has been agreed, as they have not progressed as far as appointing trustees yet.

Once Trustees have agreed upon a name, it has to be submitted to the City Council for our approval under Part II of the London Building (Amendment) Act 1939. It is my sincere hope that the Trustees take into account local views before submitting an application.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'RD'.

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