

**EXECUTIVE
15 FEBRUARY 2011**

PETITION – MISSION DINE CLUB

We, the undersigned, hereby present this deputation requesting that Brent Council should not demolish Mission Dine Club (MDC) Centre at Fry Road, Harlesden. The Centre provides a caring environment for the elderly and vulnerable to have a healthy meal and ease their isolation. It also provides space for inter-generational activity, volunteering opportunities, training and community engagement and cohesion.

The Council proposes to expand Newfield Primary School which was given a Grade 3 (satisfactory) by Ofsted in 2009. We have no confirmation that funds have been identified and are in place for the proposed expansion.

We respectfully ask the Council to either ensure that any expansion of the school is done without building on land occupied by MDC Centre, or that the new structure provides space for MDC Centre.

MDC has been supporting the elderly for over 24 years. Its Founder Dame Betty Asafu-Adjaye was made a Dame in 1997 in recognition of her services to charity. We urge you not to impede the work of the charity by demolishing MDC Centre, but rather to pro-actively support the charity and its vulnerable users.