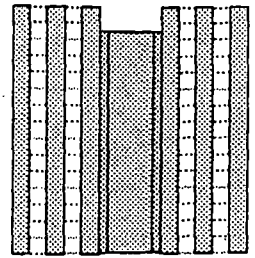


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Dear Michael,

Firstly let me confirm that I have now received back in full my loan to the Eruv Committee - thank you.

You may be aware that some confusion was caused among the officers in Barnet by a copy of the Baltimore Eruv Handbook that was faxed to them maliciously by a Rav Brandt from (I think) Zurich. It passed through the hands of Max Caller, the Council Chairman and several Councillors.

The Public Works Committee meeting is set for April 28th and the Eruv is confirmed on the Agenda. Alan Perrin's understanding, confirmed to me by a Councillor who sits on Public Works, is that all outstanding questions will be resolved before the meeting and it is considered a rubber stamp operation. Alan had also picked up murmurings of the matter having to come before the Planning Committee.

I have just spoken directly with Max Caller on these points.

His only concern arising out of the Baltimore material is the need for a *kinyan* and his concern that he has no statutory rights to sell us anything. He clearly wants to find a way around this requirement (if it be so) and stresses that he can grant rights or lease them or do anything else. I suggest that this is something that you should take up directly with Dayan Ehrentreu. I have promised Max Caller that we will get back to him with our proposal for dealing with this issue. Please let me know your proposed approach and we will coordinate our response.

As regards the procedural side, he does **not** see a need for the planning people to get involved with a full application as it is a permitted development/construction and is strictly a highways matter. He will get involved to try to keep matters simple.

Work is moving ahead with the Eruv leaflet that we discussed. We have taken Rabbi Kimche's draft text to a graphic proposal for a folded A4 leaflet. The aim of the leaflet is to present to the adult United Synagogue membership the basics of the Eruv; the halachic requirement, what *is* and *is not* permitted, where it is and how it will operate.

When I get back the corrected draft from Rabbi Kimche I will send one to you together with a proposal for a fund-raising insert that could be circulated, once the council consent is in place.

Best Wishes,



David Schreiber

cc *Dayan Ehrentreu*
 Rabbi Kimche
 Alan Perrin