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## EUSTON HOUSING TO GO AHEAD - BUT TOLMERS SQUARE PLANS ARE POSTPONED

PLANS for a huge mixed residential and commercial development in Euston have had to be put back by Camden Council because of the Government's squeeze on public spending.

housing in the borough, and it is from this part that Pakistanis have been complaining recently of discrimination and violence by gangs of white thugs.

This week the council approved compulsory purchase orders for houses in Cardington Street, Charles Place, Coburg Street, Drummond Street, Euston Street, Melton Street, North Gower Street and Starcross Street.

But at the same time it was

announced that plans for commercial development in the adjoining area, including Tolmers Square and land along Euston Road and Hampstead Road, has had to be postponed.

A report says that development of this area "will not be possible" at the present time. Joint plans for both areas are to be drawn-up by the council to ensure that a uniform style is kept.

The scheme will include precincts and pedestrian walks between the housing and industrial areas.

A planning department spokesman said this week: "We will plan the area as a whole, but we will only be able to go ahead with the housing development for the moment."

"Eventually we wish to see comprehensive redevelopment of the whole area, including residential and non-residential."

Planning committee chairman, Cllr. Roy Shaw, said: "We had hoped to redevelop the whole area, but this simply can't be done at the moment."

"It is a real shame, but we haven't got a hope of getting loan sanction for the commercial part."

Apart from the squeeze, it is unlikely that the Board of Trade will agree to issue office permits for the scheme, said Cllr. Shaw.

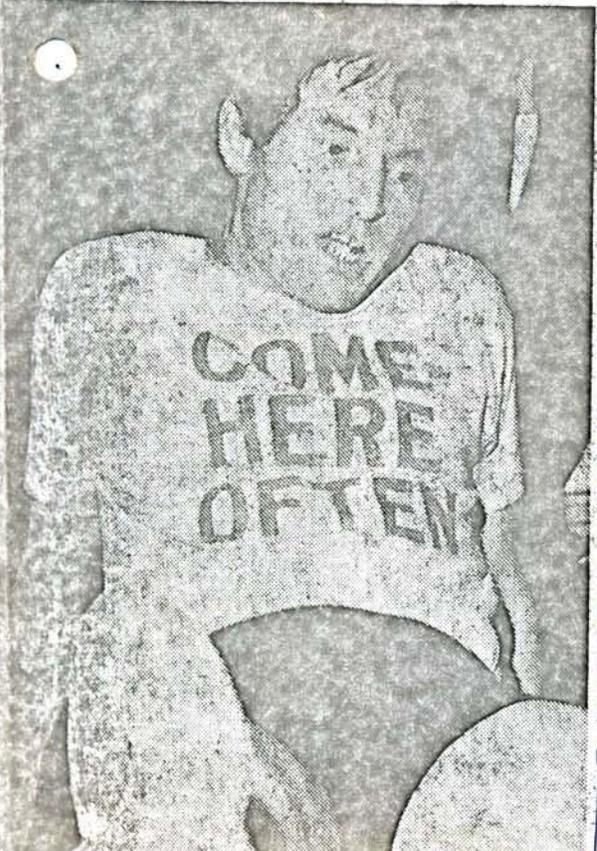
He added: "The quicker the Tolmer Square area is pulled down the better, it is a horrible mixture of bad housing and light industry."

Cllr. Mrs. Leila Campbell was one of the leaders in the campaign to have the area redeveloped when she sat on the old LCC as a member for Holborn and St. Pancras



A sculptural "happening" made from refuse at the Festival of Sculptural, Musical, Cinematic at University College, Gower Street.

## TOUGH AT THE TOP



## Crash programme more play facilities

A CRASH programme to ease the shortage of play facilities in the borough is planned by Camden Council. This follows a report from the family services committee. There was "absolutely nothing at all" in the White Street area, but the site there should be eased by the new centre in White Street was opened.