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Dear Alex Kresovic,

I am writing to formally object to the planning application 2022/3853/P submitted for 'Introduction of new exhibition space, flexible events and market uses through a change of use of the existing East Vaults, installation of new retail shopfronts within West Yard; creation of a new jetty within Dead Dog Basin and erection of a temporary observation wheel together with ancillary works and alterations to existing structures, surfaces and other public realm improvements and associated works'. As a concerned resident of the local community, I strongly believe that this development would have a negative impact on the area.

To support my objection, I would like to bring the following points to your attention:

1. **Impact on Local Character and Environment:** The proposed development is out of character with the local area. Camden market and the surrounding town have a rich history and culture; the development lacks any connection to this and will be intrusive and damaging to the heritage of Camden Lock and the observation wheel would harm the sense of scale of the Grade II Listed Interchange Building. The increased number of boats going into Dead Dog Basin would also increase noise and pollution.
2. **Impact on Safety:** The proposed development will increase visitor numbers which will in turn increase potential crime levels in this area. Tourists and residents will be vulnerable to crimes such as theft and anti-social behaviour, which has already increased over recent years with other developments to Camden Market.
3. **Other Impacts on the Local Area:** The proposed development would also impact local amenities. The increase in population density would put a strain on local public transport which is already strained during weekends and holidays. As a result of development to Camden Market in recent years, there has been increased noise, rubbish and anti-social behaviour and the proposed development will only exacerbate this further. Additionally, the development would reduce the amount of available public space, further exacerbating existing issues with overcrowding.
4. **Impact on Local Residents:** The proposed development negatively impact residents, particularly the erection of the observation wheel because users will be able to look directly into their flats which will interfere with privacy and could impact the value of peoples homes. This tacky tourist attraction is a far cry from Camden's rich and iconic history and culture and will attract even more tourists to an already busy area making it unpleasant and unsafe for residents due to overcrowding and the associated increase in crime.

I urge you to take these concerns seriously and reject the planning application 2022/3853/P. I believe that the negative impact on the local character, environment, safety, local amenities, residents would far outweigh any potential benefits of the development.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely, Jessica
