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Dear Planners

We wanted to lodge our view that the planned Ferris Wheel for Camden Market is a seriously bad idea. I'm not averse to a fairground-type ride myself, but this is not the place for such a thing. We live in an already crowded, largely residential part of London and something this size is really inappropriate in what is a conservation area.

Camden Market already attracts thousands of visitors, especially at the weekend, which is great. However, the resulting overcrowding at Camden tube is a serious problem; the station cannot work at capacity already because of safety concerns - with the result that accessing the station to leave Camden on the weekend is becoming harder and harder as only one up escalator is open and passengers of all ages and levels of mobility have to descend a steep spiral staircase to get to the platforms.

The proposed (and, as I understand it, currently shelved) plans to expand the station are excellent. Any proposals that would significantly increase the footfall at the market must be delayed until the transport infrastructure to handle it is put in place. To do otherwise is hugely irresponsible; it can only be a matter of time before there is a serious accident at the station.

We really hope you will vote down these plans.

Yours sincerely

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