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Application Numbe: 2022/3853/P

Site Address: Camden Lock Market Chalk Farm Road London NW1 8NH

Proposal: 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 for five years together with ancillary works and alterations to existing structures, surfaces and other public realm improvements and associated works.

3 June 2023

To whom it may concern,

I am strongly opposed to the proposed observation wheel on the grounds that its fun fair/'entertainment' ethos is markedly out of sync with the spirit and vibe of Camden Market as perceived and experienced by the vast majority of people who know of its existence.

The council should be promoting and ensuring the integrity of the market, preserving its niche and not transforming it into a slick, family-friendly tourist destination that has little or nothing to do with its origins. I have lived in the centre of Camden Town since 1992. I do not use the market, but I am well aware of the vital position that it inhabits in a London youth culture that has little or nothing to do with Ferris wheels.

I feel it is the council's responsibility to look after its treasures, and the market is one of the signature institutions that make Camden distinctive.

Please consider rejecting this proposal.

Yours faithfully,

David Oppedisano