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To: planning

Cc: Save Museum Street; David Fowler

Subject: Planning Development: 2023/2510/P and 2023/2653/L

Dear Sirs

I am writing to express my objection to the above development. I object on the grounds that:-

- 1 The proposed development will make a serious, adverse impact on the local area. Although the present building is undoubtedly ugly and of no architectural value, it is not so enormous as to loom over the whole surrounding area and cast an architectural blight on what is otherwise an attractive location which is pleasant to walk, shop and live in. I teach in a local language school which attracts students from all over the world. They are surprised and delighted by their surroundings which, being on a human scale, they had not expected to discover in modern London, let alone to find themselves studying in the midst of. We despise what we have most of, and people who spend time in the Bloomsbury area perhaps cease to appreciate just how pleasant a place it is. The sheer, gigantic scale of the proposed building would loom oppressively over Bloomsbury and significantly detract from its light, pleasant atmosphere.
- 2 The development would be the thin end of the wedge: There is no doubt that once one behemoth development is allowed in the area, it will attract other such developments, which will be impossible to resist.
- 3 The amount of social housing provided is derisive.

Yours faithfully

Zoe Tallis