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To: Planning

Cc: David Fowler; Save Museum Street

Subject: 2023/2510/P One Museum Street OBJECTION

Dear Camden Planning Department

Re: 2023/2510/P One Museum Street OBJECTION

I would like to lodge an objection to the proposed scheme identified above.

This is on the grounds that:

- The building is far too tall and is undeniably monstrously ugly and dominating
- The scheme provides too little housing only some 44 new dwellings (replacing 18 lost in demolition), of which only 19 are likely to be generally affordable (requiring an income of £65,000) and in turn only 9 of these to be social housing
- The development will adversely affect and and indeed dwarf the Listed Buildings nearby such as St George's Church, the houses in Bedford Square, and the British Museum
- The development will also adversely affect the nearby Conservation Areas of Covent Garden, Bloomsbury and Soho
- The scheme is flagrantly impolite, and will generate unneighbourly shadow for nearby buildings causing them to be overlooked and restricting daylight
- The scheme does not deal sensitively with the historic buildings within the Conservation Area nor find the best uses for them
- The scheme involves demolishing an existing tower block itself too tall for the site and replacing it with one that is even taller and also broader!
- The demolition of the existing structure is contrary to the Climate Change policies of the UK, the Greater London Council and Camden, all of whom advocate retaining existing buildings and retrofitting them to bring them up to modern standards; this is of course possible and an expert report exists that demonstrates this
- Building a taller building on this site risks setting a precedent for the building of ever taller buildings in the area.
- I look forward to hearing from you

- Yours sincerelyMonique Maxwell (Dr)Museum Mansions