



Dear Planning Committee, Camden Council,

I am writing as a resident of 1 Hargrave Place to formally raise my concerns and object to the proposed planning application for the construction of two additional apartments at 5 Hargrave Place. I, along with other residents of the street, have serious reservations about the potential adverse impacts this development may bring to our community.

Disturbance: The proposed construction would result in several months of noise, dust, and general disturbance. Such activities would greatly disrupt the daily lives and well-being of the street's residents.

Strain on Council Services & Waste: Introducing two additional apartments means an inevitable increase in the amount of waste generated. This would place a further burden on the already stretched council services, potentially resulting in overflowed bins and untimely waste collection.

Traffic & Parking: The added residences would inevitably bring with them additional vehicles. Parking is already a challenge on our street, and adding more cars without an increase in parking availability would exacerbate this issue. Additionally, increased traffic poses safety concerns, especially if there are children or elderly residents in the vicinity.

Street Context & Character: Hargrave Place has a distinct character, which is much cherished by its inhabitants. Introducing a new building or extensively modifying an existing one could significantly alter this character, potentially out of sync with the rest of the street.

Sunlight Impact: One of the most concerning aspects of this proposal, from a personal standpoint, is the potential loss of sunlight on our garden patio at Number 1. Direct sunlight greatly enhances our living experience, and any hindrance to it would detrimentally affect our quality of life.

Environmental Considerations: With current global emphasis on reducing our carbon footprint and promoting greener living, it is essential to consider the environmental impact of such developments. A thorough environmental assessment must be carried out to ensure that this proposal does not inadvertently harm our local environment or contribute excessively to carbon emissions.

Considering the above points, I kindly request that the planning committee takes our objections into serious consideration when reviewing the application. I believe that while development and progress are essential, they should not come at the expense of the well-being and quality of life of existing residents.

Please keep us informed about the progress and decisions related to this planning application. We are open to a discussion with the council to better understand the potential impacts and possible mitigation measures if this development were to proceed.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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