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To: Planning

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Subject: Reference: 2023/2510/P and 2023/2653/L -- OBJECTION

I am writing to register my objection to all the various plans put forward by the property developer Simten, BC Partners and DSDHA. It is indeed sad to have to object to yet another out-sized, inept, badly-designed, inappropriate and outdated plan foisted on the local community and London as a whole by profiteers hell bent on exploiting the pounds-per-square-metre allure of development of an inner London site. The massive building shown in the original design was wildly over-sized (probably deliberately so -- was it set out as an architectural loss-leader?) -- too big, too ungainly, too bulky and over-specified for the site -- and did no favours to this historic space and the local community. The plan promoted by Simon Sturgis should at very least be seriously considered if Camden Council is to be seen to be serious in its many pledges and promises for the (minimal) maintenance of the historic city; and the plan by Simter *et al* should be thrown into the bin, where it belongs.

We have gone past the tipping point in London -- there is too much, too fast, too ill-considered, and too destructive -- and we have precious few chances to retain some few vestiges of this once great city. Do not betray our trust again.

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