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RE: One Museum Street, 2023/2510/P and 2023/2510/L

I am writing to again object to the latest proposals for One Museum Street.

The new plans still do not at all fit in with the local surroundings and will alter the whole feeling of the area. The tower is still far too big and bulky, it will be over 20 metres higher than even the existing Travelodge hotel, which any new building should be the same height as. The tower will ruin views from Bedford Square, the British Museum and Drury Lane.

Demolishing the old buildings within the conservation area are contrary to Camden Council's Conservation Policies. Furthermore, this application takes no account for the climate emergency statements from both the GLA and Camden Council. This proposal of demolishing a perfectly usable building is a high carbon strategy. Surely a low-carbon strategy of refurbishment is better. Pulling down and disposing of all the existing concrete and steel girders etc and bringing in new concrete, girders, and other such building materials is surely not the responsible approach.

The developers plan to build 48 new homes, but in reality, are also demolishing 18 existing homes. I am not convinced the low number of "affordable" units for local people will be the case in reality.

I therefore consider that this application does not comply with GLA or Camden Council planning policies, and should be rejected.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anne Clarke'.

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