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**To:** Nazma Rahman (Councillor); Planning

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Subject: Planning 2023/3950/L

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Dear Alan Wito or whom it may concern,

We have been experiencing difficulties while attempting to access your website to comment on a specific application 2023/3950/L. For several days now, it has been impossible to log in or navigate the site effectively. Due to the ongoing access issues with webiste, we find myself with no alternatives but to submit my comment via this email. We also formally request and extension of the submission of comment for the application originally set for 25th November 2023. Without this extension, it would be challenging to consider the process as a truly fair participation for Covent Garden residents

We are writing to express our concerns regarding the recent development applications in Covent Garden, specifically pertaining to the impact on the area's natural environment and local community. Especially during the pandemic, some decisions Council has made unfortunately caused significant harm to the face of Covent Garden.

During the pandemic, the flower barriers placed on the streets and the never-ending permissions to place tables and chairs in the squares to attract more customers to restaurants have made Covent Garden almost uninhabitable. You've put up a notice indicating that we can make a complaint for those sitting in this area while walking on the street. As far as we understand, you are now determined to carry the damages you've caused to the external environment into the buildings as well. As you know, Great Queen Street and its buildings have a very special character and history. Merging the floors of two buildings for the sake of purely commercial interests and simply for someone to make more profit is unacceptable. This is a disrespect to both Covent Garden and its history. Instead of preserving these buildings, you are doing the opposite. We, as residents of Covent Garden, will not accept this.

This proposal seems impractical and raises serious safety concerns. As residents of Covent Garden, we strongly oppose these changes and urge a reconsideration of the current plans. It is vital to preserve the essence of our community and ensure that any developments are in harmony with the area's unique heritage and environment.

Now we will resist these wrong decisions, and we will make every effort to prevent this damage given to Covent Garden. We will carry out our first initiative by applying to the Historic Building Trust.

Thank you for considering my views on this matter. I look forward to a prompt and thoughtful response.

Sincerely,

Levi Cohen

and behalf of; Sam Cohen Elizabeth Lisa Cohen



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