

Application No: 2013/4980/P
Site Address: 10 Gate Street
London
WC2
Case Officer: Gideon Whittingham
Consultees Name:

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Response:

My company has rented the office space on the fifth floor of 10 Gate Street WC2 since March 2010 during which time we have never defaulted on our rent. My business comprises 4 full-time and 2 part-time staff and I would like to suggest the planning application be rejected on the basis of (i) inconvenience it would cause to the numerous businesses currently installed in 10 Gate Street, (ii) inconvenience that these building works would create to the local area (especially given they have already put up with three years of renovations on Africa House) , (iii) the lack of suitable small office space in the area (for a business of our size), (iv) I see no merit in why residential accommodation should take priority over office space in this area, and (v) the idea that small businesses today prefer to occupy open plan flexible work spaces is untrue – presumably only suggested owners by owners and agents of open plan flexible work spaces.

I appreciate that I may be unaware of the grounds for the proposed change to the purpose of 10 Gate Street from Business to Residential, but I would like to state my objection to the proposed loss of this unique small business space in Holborn that also adds to local trade revenues.
