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2013/6674/P	Chloe	74F St Albans Road	20/05/2014 11:08:26	COMMNT	<p>After attending the meeting at St Annes Church on Monday 19th May, it seems as though people are feeling frustrated. Most of us want the same thing, and that is to keep the area as rural as possible, keep as much character as possible and for the issue of parking etc to be considered very carefully. The current parking plans are going to make a problem that ALREADY exists much worse and the current suggested "solutions" just do not work. Regarding the colour of the bricks, which MANY of us have a problem with, I think it would be a very good idea economically and environmentally to use recycled & reclaimed bricks, which match the houses alongside the entrance to the Heath at Parliament Hill Fields. This would make a lot of people much happier and going for the greener option would please a lot of people. Many people don't like the fact that the building is "boring" to look at & has no lasting character, if some compromise was made on the architects behalf to add some creative elements to the design of the brickwork, something that breaks up the monotony of plain brick, something that will add classical character, which so many of us want, I think that would be a good move. So many areas of London have been "urbanised" most people who can afford it move to the areas which seem the most rural, it seems so senseless and such a shame to try to change an area of London that so many people love.</p> <p>The issue of retail is also a big one, everyone wants to keep a village feel, we all want the area to be chain free - no Starbucks, no Greggs, only independent shops. Having a Tesco is bad enough. Lets preserve one of the few rural and loved areas of London as much as we can, lets not ruin it all for money at the expense of the people who live there and love it so dearly.</p>
2013/6674/P	John Stevenson	64B Saint Johns Grove London N195RP	21/05/2014 17:33:06	OBJ	<p>i have real opposition to the planned development of this site. I think that the scale of the project is far to big for the street , the height also is an issue in blocking existing views from the street. I regularly visit swains lane and have enjoyed for many years the unique village atmosphere which is sadly becoming a rarity in most parts of london. it looks like Swains lane is in danger of becoming yet another homogenised street . The proposed design for the new look is totally uninspiring in its use of materials, i also think that the artists impression of the building and surrounding views is misleading.I believe that this application should be rejected. .</p>
2013/6674/P	Amelia jarrett	23a Swains lane N6 6QX	21/05/2014 21:37:19	OBJ	<p>The development is improved however1)There will be a loss of daylight the views will be lost from the south side.2) not enough consideration for pedestrians/ accidents even currently are waiting to happen an area full of children.I feel the back area should be used for delivery3)I feel that the build should be no more than ground and one more floor. There has been no attempt to use reclaimed materials which would be good for environment reclaimed bricks would soften it and make sure it was more in keeping.4)there is going to be a good deal of disruption to local residents the work should be in two stages to protect some shops and livelihoods in area as well as least disruptive to nearby neighbours like myself5)I am also concerned about the issue of the fact that the soil is contaminated as well as impact to other buildings</p>
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2013/6674/P	Chloe Owens	St. Albans road	20/05/2014 16:49:11	COMMNT	We're being forced and bullied into agreeing with plans we don't want for fear of losing all together. There are many more places in London that need redevelopment and would actually benefit from it. By developing Swains Lane, it will lose its rural and simplistic charm, the very things it's popular for. The small and independent businesses such as the green grocers and the flower shop will be forced to close, which isn't fair on them or the community. The beautiful views will be blocked by bright orange bricks and metal. It'll be yet another boring and generic street. For once let's work together and do the right thing by stopping this going ahead all together. No more compromises, just leave Swains Lane alone and find a spot that would truly benefit from redevelopment and please the locals. Swains Lane will lose its soul, and all for the Profit of an already very wealthy Earl. Please help us stop these plans!

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2013/6674/P	Margo Sagov	10 Brookfield Highgate West Hill Highgate London N6 6AS	26/05/2014 22:14:56	OBJ	<p>I am a local resident (Brookfield Mansions) and architect in private practice. I live opposite the site and my outlook will be directly, and in my estimation, negatively affected by the proposals. Although in many respects this version is better than those preceding it, it is still not good enough. I object to it on the following grounds:</p> <p>Massing and volume: Its still too big and too high.</p> <p>I maintain, as I have done regarding every prior application for this site that any proposal over 2 storeys high is too massive. Such a high building will spoil the outlook for all the neighbours and negatively impact upon the streetscape and character of the neighbourhood. These forms will cast too many shadows and unduly dominate the corner site. The amenity we all enjoy from the low-slung casual character of the present arrangement, and the relief of longer views and light around it will be lost forever.</p> <p>Notwithstanding the economic imperatives facing the owners, this is overdevelopment of a sensitive and popular site.</p> <p>Unsatisfactory Finishes: A reclaimed and variegated soft red brick would be preferable to the rather weird modern orange example presented at the recent public meeting. Such bricks are readily available from ET Clay and other suppliers.</p> <p>The nature and types of planting around the site should also be better defined.</p> <p>Having now fully appreciated the menacing aesthetic of the zinc-faced top floor newly built over the Carob Tree Restaurant opposite, I cannot support the same prominently dark material and lack of architectural articulation in detail being proposed for the top floor of the development at Swains Lane. Its formal relationship to the supporting lower floors seems uncomfortable and clumsy, both in plan and in elevation.</p> <p>Traffic and loading: Parking and circulation on the site is also a worry. There are insufficient spaces provided and there might be an argument that some of the proposed shops would be better left as parking garages, as per the present use of the site on Highgate West Hill.</p> <p>I know that all new developments are supposed to be 'car free' but the proposed usages of the site will inevitably cause more traffic and parking chaos in our area, which is already hugely blighted.</p> <p>Too many shops: I cannot see the area being able to support so many independent shops, and deliveries and loading off Swain's Lane, without additional loading space at the rear will become a nightmare for local residents, and potentially dangerous.</p> <p>What this site needs is a proper architectural competition to come up with the best possible ideas and usages. So far all the proposals submitted including this one have been utterly disappointing. Such an important place deserves better.</p>

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