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Re Planning Application Ref 2013/5302/P (proposed extension etc for La Sainte Union School)

For the attention of R Tulloch

I wish to object to these proposals.

As a governor of another local school I am very much in favour of improving school buildings to bring them up to date with modern educational needs, but we are in a conservation area and any changes should be in keeping with this. Also there are a number of schools in the area, which make it more important for the rights of residents should be considered and respected.

My objections are as follows.

 The proposal to hang TES walls with green and yellow aluminium panels is a glaring example of why these proposals are inappropriate. The buildings are already undistinguished - why draw attention to them? The existing colour scheme should be retained.

The extension to the existing buildings is too large for the site, and would overshadow the houses on that side of Brookfield Park.

3. Trees are an important feature of the Dartmouth Park conservation area. To remove trees from the site would make the building even more intrusive.

4. If the roof terrace is to overlook the houses and gardens on that side of the road, the school will invade their privacy. There is no necessity for this intrusion into their private life.

The architect's letter includes worthy aims for students, staff and visitors, but makes no mention of the impact the changes will have on the quality of life of local residents and the potential damage to the conservation area. There is room on the site for improvements without damaging the local environment.

For all these reasons the application should be rejected or at the very least seriously amended.

Felicity Taylor

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From

<u>Maire Mayne</u>

RE. PLANNING APPLICATION 2013/5302/P La Sainte Union School

To whom it may concern,

I was disturbed and shocked to hear about the proposed planning application for La Sante Union School for the following reasons

1. The plans were made without consulting us, their neighbours, despite the fact it is us who will actually have to look at the school and deal with any changes that occur. The Architets who have proposed the changes and in fact the pupils and teachers themselves will not have to look at the school building day and night as we have to. We were informed after the plans were made and submitted and looking at them there is nothing to suggest that they have tried to makes the building environmentally friendly or blend with the local landscape or architecture. The building as it stands is an evesore. The proposed changes to the current building and the new one which include shiny green and yellow aluminum tiles suggest the creation of an even brighter and even more garish evesore rather than something that would beautify the current building and help it blend in more with its environment.

I would like the council planners to ensure that the plans are changed to make sure that any building will be aesthetic and in keeping with the ethos and beauty of this conservation area.

2. I am very SHOCKED to hear that an educational establishment is even be considering using building materials that contain ALUMINIUM. It is well known that the mining of Aluminium is extremely toxic and that it poisons and destroys the land where it is mined and has also destroyed the culture and livelihood of many indigenous peoples. See below for links to one regions battle to fight to save their land from aluminium mining and other links. As far as I understand Camden is a GREEN BOROUGH committed to helping the environment. I would like to know on what grounds they would ever give permission for the use of

environmentally unfirtiendly building materials. I would like the council to ensure that the proposed building is designed to be ecologically sound and as far as possible keep as much green space and trees as they can to ensure good air quality and space for wild life

4. There is nothing in the plans to indicate that the school is concerned about environmental issues or the impact on us their neighbours. Are they going to plant and care for more trees and shrubs to ensure that we dont have to look at or be overlooked by the school and to give their own own students a beautiful environment to study in. Its well known now that environment affects learning. Does this school not care about our environment. We live in a really beautiful area please council planners will you help the school to take care of it and thus teach the future generations who are in their care to do the same.

5. There has been nothing in the planning to ensure that the building works will be done with care and concern to keep noise and dust to a minimum. Please could you ensure that this is a condition of any any planning being given.

6. Why do they need a roof terrace. I do not want to be overlooked by people on a roof terrace.

I thus that you will do your job to make sure that you ensure that any planning permission that is granted will take care of our environment. I see no reason why an extension cannot be built that we the neighbourhood could be happy to live with.

Dartmouth Park has its own 'Transition Town Group' concerned with our enviroment. It would be good if they were also consulted.

I look forward to hearing from you .

Y ours truly

Maire Mayne

Mining company Vedanta held its AGM at the Marriott Grosvenor Square Hotel in London. A number of protesters were present demonstrating against Vadanta's plans to excavate sacred lands in the Indian state of Odisha (AKA Orissa).

Protesters demonstrated outside of a British mining company's AGM in Marriott Grosvenor Square Hotel this afternoon.

'Foil Vedanta' were demonstrating as part of a movement across the state of Odisha, India to stop Vedanta's mining operations at the sacred Niyamgiri hills.

"Vedanta out of London" and "Vedanta off the stock exchange" were some of the slogans chanted during the two-hour protest. The demonstration was carried out peacefully for the most part however there were some exchanges between police and several protesters who tried to encroach upon the hotel with an inflated object.

The protest was part of a concerted effort over the last number of years to remove Vedanta from Odisha in India as well as several other countries.

So far the effort has succeeded with Vedanta announcing core profits to have fallen by 23 per cent in the previous quarter due to the delays to its operations in India.

Amnesty International's Economic Relations Programme Director, Peter Frankental reacted to the mining company's struggle in India saying, "the chickens are coming home to roost for Vedanta."

"Shareholders at Vedanta's AGM should now ask serious questions as to why the company continued to pursue the project despite evidence of the harm it would cause to indigenous people," Franketal said.

Individual demonstrators said that they hoped their protest would inform shareholders in Vedanta as well as the public what damage is being done by the mining company in the regions it conducts its operations.

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