#### Peck, Amanda

From: Aldwych Bldgs Leaseholder Association

Sent-24 February 2013 13:15

To Clough, Nick

Cc. Callow, Claire; Peck, Amanda; Vincent, Sue (Councillor); Olad, Awale (Councillor)

Subject: FW: Aldwych Buildings Development URGENT

Date: Sun. 24 Feb 2013 13:08:06 +0000

Subject: Re: Aldwych Buildings Development URGENT

Dear Mr Clough

Thank you for your reply, however you have completely ignored my mail of 30th January 2013.

Please would you be so kind as to reply, and supply the information which I requested ie: The original feasibility study along with any other feasibility studies which have been made with regard to the workshop area in Aldwych Buildings courtyard. As you know we have made this request repeatedly since September

I understand from Mr Hewitt that a meeting has been planned, which unfortunately it's very unlikely that I will be able to attend.

I also understand that the new idea for a T/A room is to build one on the roof terrace! Surely you must see the irony of this! How on earth are our current disabled tenants living on the ground floor here, along with the new proposed disabled tenant in a wheelchair supposed to be integrated within the community, in which the T/A room, plays a huge part if they can't access it?!

It is imperative that we have a ground floor T/A room in order that it can be used by all in the community and our neighbouring blocks as it is now being used, as you know it houses our several files and community furniture which we will need access to increasingly now that the project seems to be going ahead.

Yours Sincerely Paula Davis

ldwych Buildings, WC2B 5NT

From: "Clough, Nick" < Nick. Clough@camden.gov.uk>

To: 'Paula Davis' 
Cc: "Marsh-Aldis, Stephanie" <Stephanie.Marsh-Aldis@camden.gov.uk>; "Callow, Claire" <Claire.Callow@camden.gov.uk>; "Young, Jed" <Jed.Young@Camden.gov.uk>

Sent: Friday, 15 February 2013, 16:38

Subject: RE: Aldwych Buildings Development URGENT

Paula.

I'm sorry it has taken so long for me to get back to you, I've been on leave and we've been very busy.

As we haven't spoken to you or other interested residents for some time I thought it would be best if we came down and met you to discuss progress with the planning application and any on-going concerns you have. Could you suggest a suitable time next week when you and some of your neighbours would be available?

We also have an idea for a new community room which we'd like to discuss with residents.

Regards

Nick Clough

Senior Development Manager

Telephone: 020 7974 1177

From: Paula Davis [mailto:

Sent: 30 January 2013 17:0

To: Clough, Nick

Subject: Re: Aldwych Buildings Development URGENT

Dear Mr Clough

Further to the e-mail below relating to the feasibility study for the proposed development of Aldwch Buildings.

Could you please forward the outdated version of this to me along with the newer feasibility study that has been taken at your earliest convenience. If you are unable to do so, please can you let me know where to obtain both the outdated and the newer feasibility studies

Many Thanks Paula Davis

Aldwych Buildings, WC2

From: "Clough, Nick" <Nick.Clough@camden.gov.uk>
To: Paula Davis <

Cc: "Callow, Claire" < Claire. Callow@camden.gov.uk> Sent: Wednesday, 28 November 2012, 17:24

Subject: RE: Aldwych Buildings Development URGENT

Paula.

It was good to speak to you today and I'm hope I was able to clarify some of your questions in relation to the planning application and accessing it online.

If you or any of the other residents want to access the link again more easily please use the following:

http://planningonline.camden.gov.uk/MULTIWAM/showCaseFile.do? appType=Planning&appNumber=2012%2F6132%2FP

In relation to your questions, there have been some minor amendments to the proposals following consultation, but no significant ones. Please have a look through the submitted plans and the design and access statement, and if you have any more questions please give me another call.

In relation to the feasibility study, we would consider this to be the very first concept design put together by the architect at the start of the project and therefore out of date.

I hope this is helpful.

Regards

Nick Clough

Senior Development Manager

Telephone: 020 7974 1177

From: Paula Davis [mailto Sent: 28 November 2012 12:44

To: Clough Nick

Ce: Tally

Subject: Aldwych Buildings Development URGENT

Dear Nick

Could you please let me know as soon as possible if there were any changes to the plans for Aldwych B. after the consultations were received, of if the last set of plans (re our courtyard and the workshop area) are still going to go ahead?

Also, has a feasibility study been completed yet and If so could you forward it to me?

Thanks

Paula

ldwych Buildings

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## Comments Form

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## REQUEST FOR COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS FROM:

Please send in your comments by email to <a href="mailto:env.devcon@camden.gov.uk">env.devcon@camden.gov.uk</a>, submit comments directly when viewing the application on the web ("view related documents - my submissions") or alternatively, fax your comments to us on 0207 974 1930 Please make it clear which CAAC you are representing.

Covent Garden CAAC

Parker House 25 Parker Street London WC2B 5PA

Application ref: 2012/6132/P

Associated ref(s):

Date of consultation: 19 November 2012

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Regeneration and Planning Development Management London Borough of Camden Town Hall

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Proposal: Redevelopment of the site to provide 43 residential units (40 x private and 3 x affordable) within a six storey plus basement building and retention of the existing façade to Parker Street, following demolition of the existing hostel accommodation and former Aldwych Workshops on Parker Mews and associated storage, cycle parking, refuse and landscape works (Class C3).

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Date:

If you would like to discuss the above application in more detail, please telephone Amanda Peck of East Area Team on 020 7974 5885.

All comments and **returned plans**, should be sent within 21 days to:
Amanda Peck, Development Management, Regeneration & Planning, Culture &
Environment, Town Hall, Judd Street, London, WC1H 8ND.

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## AMENITY GROUP CONSULTATION COMMENTS

Date 26 November 2012

Planning Application Number 2012/6132/P

## Planning Application Address

Parker House 25 Parker Street WC2B 5PA

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#### COMMENTS

I have the following comments on the application (please state reasons below) 🗸 No objection.

Comments submitted by Meredith Whitten meredith@coventgarden.org.uk



#### Peck, Amanda

From: ALDWYCH BUILDINGS TRA

Sent: 10 December 2012 23:33

To: Planning

Cc: Olad, Awale (Councillor); Peck, Amanda; Vincent, Sue (Councillor); Fulbrook, Julian (Councillor)

Subject: On planning application ref: 2012/6132/P

December 10th 2012

Re: Application Ref: 2012/6132/P

Dear Madams and Sirs.

Having already sent on an individual basis objections to the proposed planning application for redevelopment works to Parker House and parts of Parker Mews (Application Ref: 2012/6132/P), we now wish to respond as a formalised Tenants and Residents Association (TRA) for Aldwych Buildings, Parker Mews, London, WC2B 5NT.

It should first be noted that the aforementioned TRA has been central to the community for over twenty years, though only now has the importance of formalising the committee been fully appreciated. Furthermore, what we now communicate should be considered alongside the letter of objection to these proposals sent to you by our Lease Holders Association (from <a href="mailto:alongside">alongside</a> the letter of objection to these proposals sent to you by our Lease Holders Association (from <a href="mailto:alongside">alongside</a> the letter of objection to these proposals sent to you by our Lease Holders

The objections, misgivings, and areas of concern are many and complex; the following should be understood by way of introduction to some of the pertinent issues:

No mention has been made in the planning proposal to the TRA room. This is problematic and rather odd given its unique importance at the heart of Aldwych Building's community, both administratively – as the home of the building's historical archive of documents and photographs – and spiritually, in a very real sense, given its centrality to shared neighbourly celebrations and TRA meetings:

the health implications of situating the proposed electrical substation in our building's courtyard has not been addressed. This is doubly dubious: even disregarding for a moment the burgeoning evidence that clearly points to links between such substations and miscarriage, dementia, cancer, infertility, heart problems and depression (perhaps the most worrying of all given the history of mental ill-health of many of the community's residents), the notion of its being positioned squarely in an area dominated by social housing — as far as logistically possible from the forty proposed private residences — is plainly offensive and ethically destitute;

it is unclear whether or not a feasibility study has been undertaken. If indeed it has, its continued validity would have to be scrutinised;

the manifold externalities of the disruption that would be caused by two to three years of building work have not been addressed seriously. These are too many to delineate in a concise letter, but include the detrimental effects on physical and mental health, a sustained onslaught on the well-being and daily life and culture of the people and animals that reside in Aldwych Buildings, the practical considerations of dust and other resultant detritus dirtying our homes and greater living areas, and decreased rental and sale value of properties (at least, but not necessarily exclusively, while works are ongoing);

the security of the residents and their homes would undoubtedly be compromised by such an extended period of building work;

the effect on the greater community of Covent Garden ought also to be considered in good faith. Beyond the unexpected oasis that we are privileged to be able to enjoy in our courtyard and terrace, the character of the neighbourhood is informed and nourished by the homeless hostel in Parker House. The area retains its historical sense and flavour, but this must not be taken for granted as we pass through such testing political and economic times: what stands to be lost is priceless;

the motivation behind the recent refurbishment of the building's façade must now be considered. It is inevitable that we should consider whether this was merely an aesthetic facelift in preparation of enticing the market's bidders;

this leads to the question of who is behind the development and where the freehold would reside. The community stands to gain nothing from these proposals; certain other people evidently do.

We would be most grateful if you would acknowledge receipt of this letter, as well as informing us of the time, date and place of the Development Management Committee that will analyse this decision. Please send this notification by email and letter to Tom Hinrichsen, 23 Aldwych Buildings, Parker Mews, London, WC2B 5NT.

Yours sincerely

Tom Hinrichsen

#### Peck, Amanda

From: Aldwych Bldgs Leaseholder Association [

Sent: 03 December 2012 14:31

To: Planning

Cc: Peck, Amanda; Vincent, Sue (Councillor); Fulbrook, Julian (Councillor); awal.olad@camden.gov.uk

Subject: Parker House planning consultation ref:2012/6132/P

Dear Sirs

In response to the above planning application, we are again sending our previous reply to the consultation as objections to the proposed development, and would like to stress once again how badly the leaseholders are being ignored and compromised by the plans and the effect it will have on us.

Adding three other seperate properties to the Aldwych Buildings estate ( two houses and the one <u>very</u> large, <u>flat roofed</u> one bedroom flat), the maintence charges on these three additional properties would treble or quadruple our maintenance charges included within our service charges and major work bills. Details are included below.

It will be virually impossible to sell or rent our properties for almost three years whilst the development is in progress, or at best only at a reduction by one third of the current market price. We have consulted four different estate agents on this issue.

It's of interest that the planning application repeatedly mentions that the workshop area is "of limited significance", we would like to know why our TA room is not mentioned anywhere and that by loosing it we will have no TA room and the effect it will have on our own very strong community and also that of our neighbours?

We find the planning application very biased toward the new private development and future residents, while completely ignoring the effect it will have on us as individuals and as a community.

We therefore ask that you compromise with us, consider us as human beings with homes which we've lived in for many years in a happy community and take note of our comments below. Please can you respond to us by e-mail as an Association, and also individually to the committee by post

### Yours Faithfully

Natalia Watts (chairperson) Paula Davis (secretary) Dermot Lynch (treasurer) Aldwych Buildings, Parker Mews, London WC2B 5NT Aldwych Buildings, Parker Mews, London WC2B 5NT Aldwych Buildings, Parker Mews, London WC2B 5NT

# DEVELOPMENT AT PARKER HOUSE & ALDWYCH BUILDINGS CONSULATION QUESTIONNAIRE

Dear Sirs

As we, the leaseholders below, hold the same view on this proposal we are completing the CQ in letter form to give a more comprehensive reply.

## 1. The conversion of the building between AB and PH into a 2 bed house

We do not see the need for this house to have access to Aldwych Buildings or become part of our estate as it has it's own outside space, and more importantly it's own front door in Parker Street. Therefore why is there a need for it to be classed as Aldwych Buildings Estate as it won't even share the same address as us?

It is, in actual fact, a semi-detached house as it is not joined onto our building and should therefore be part of the hostel development.

It would add considerably to our maintenance charges and major work charges which is completely unfair.

# 2. The conversion of the 2 storey building at the rear of AB into a 2 bed family house

We can see why this would be considered a possibility by Camden but we object to it becoming part of our estate, as again the maintenance costs/major works would considerably increase the cost to the leaseholder. Again this would be totally unfair.

Also to be considered is the fact that there are a number of residents with mental health problems living in Aldwych Buildings and as we assume it would house a family with children, would the children not compound these residents problems with noise and natural childish play? Would it be suitable or appropriate for children to witness the sometimes very distressing scenes here when ambulances and police need to be called?

# 3. The conversion of the TRA and storage areas into a 1 bed wheelchair flat

This we object to strongly

Again the maintenance and major work charges would escalate for the leaseholder, especially considering that it would have such a large flat roof which would no doubt need constant repair with damp being a huge problem for the tenant (obviously you will dispute this with promises of superior workmanship, but time will prove us right on the issue!)

Also, in consideration of the proposed new disabled tenant, they would find it a living hell as our roof terrace is used heavily both day and night by the residents (especially during the summer months), so the noise disturbance to them would be considerable and also their privacy compromised if you plan to install skylights. Would this not increase their sense of vulnerability?

Our current intercom entrance and throughway is not suitable for wheelchair access, so that would mean having to change the layout of our courtyard, with our main intercom entrance having to be placed outside of our residents bedroom windows.

We would loose our TA room which would lead to a loss of community and communication, not only within Aldwych Buildings, but also with our neighbouring blocks. Our TA room houses many years of Aldwych Buildings history in filing cabinets along with our tables, chairs, files, etc. What would we

do with these? By loosing our TA room Camden will effectively be breaking down our community. We would like to note, that it is not a FORMER TA room as stated on the CQ, we regularly have meetings but haven't formally been registered for awhile. We raise our own funds for our community, hence there has been no reason to attend the DMC meetings, but we stress that this is in no way a FORMER TA room because of our lack of registering, it is always in use and has been freshly redecorated and the ceiling repaired (which was caused by damp damage via the sunroof) during the summer of this year.

We also think its highly unfair to take away our storage rooms which we have cared for, for many years, with Camdens knowledge when they let them become neglected. The proposed new storage is ridiculous unless you happen to be under 500cm tall to access it!

4. The proposals for replacement storage and electrical substation Replacement Storage:

would be completely inadequate and inaccessible as you are basically suggesting a metre cube, which you would have to get on your hands and knees and crawl inside with a torch to access! The storage beneath the stairwells would also be unfair to implement due to the noise it would generate for the flats it would be outside of when being used, and also the worry of who was outside their front door, plus the worry of security as the visibility from their front door would be compromised.

The proposed plans for the courtyard would also mean that plants, trees and shrubs which have been here for over twenty years would be have to be destroyed. As this proposal is going to disrupt our lives considerably, would it not be more sensible, and considerate, of Camden to generate revenue by renting the current storage rooms to us formally and allowing us to retain our TA room instead of permanently lowering the standard of living of long time residents here by making the proposed changes.

The plan to build this one bed wheelchair flat is by far the most damaging proposal you have as it will take so much away from us, and as mentioned above will not be suitable or enjoyable for a disabled person. This proposed ONE flat will impact on the lives of all FORTY residents already living here. We ask that you seriously take this into consideration and compromise with us on this.

At the public consultation on 4<sup>th</sup> Sept 2012 it is stated in the minutes at least four times that our courtyard would not be taken away from us, yet this is exactly what you are planning now by enclosing it with these ugly storage and planters which would obstruct the view across the courtyard, well previous courtyard if you have your way! Yet another blow to our community, and all for the sake of ONE flat. There is no need for enclosed bike racks, especially the number planned.

## **Electrical Substation:**

This we strongly object to

There is absolutely no reason why this should have to placed within our estate for the purpose of a completely separate block of flats which are to replace Parker House. We understand that the façade must be retained in Parker Street, but there are already door entrances there which could be used to house a substation to generate electricity to THEIR OWN property, and not dumped on us. Surveys have shown that an electrical substation decreases property value and also potential buyers/tenants interest by 63%. Therefore why should it be housed within Aldwych Buildings when there is sufficient space on Parker Street allowing vehicular access?

### 5. Other elements

Considering that it was highly unusual, somewhat controversial even, that Parker House was sold for 100% private housing, and that we will have to suffer between 2 to 3 years of demolition, excavation and building works literally on our doorstep, we feel it highly unfair as leaseholders that we will be the ones to pay for this - both financially re the increased maintenance/major work costs, the fact that it will be nigh on impossible for our properties to be sold or rented during this period and also the loss of our community by building the one bed wheelchair flat. As you have however obtained permission for 100% private housing, which will have an impact on Covent Garden generally, we therefore ask that you do not destroy our community here at Aldwch Buildings too, by taking away our storage space and tenants hall and enclose our courtyard with ugly, futile, storage cubes and needless cycle units in order to build just ONE flat, which will probably be constantly damp.

We ask that you do not incorporate the new proposed buildings into the estate of Aldwych Buildings, so as not to effect our service charges which include maintenance charges for the estate, and also that any future major works carried out would not be included in our bills, but billed separately as separate properties.

We would obviously need new alternative residents parking bays nearby during the proposed works, as the current ones will be suspended and used by the building contractors et al.

Basically, we have absolutely nothing to gain from this proposal at all; NOTHING.

All you are doing is threatening our lifestyle, standard of living and property, and

## Peck, Amanda

From:

Aldwych Bldgs Leaseholder Association

Sent:

30 January 2013 12:57

To:

Young, Jed

Cc:

Fulbrook, Julian (Councillor); Vincent, Sue (Councillor); Olad, Awale (Councillor); Mullan,

Dermott; peter.wright@dwp.gsi.gov.uk; Peck, Amanda

Subject:

Re: On planning application ref: 2012/6132/P

Attachments: DSCN1041.JPG: DSCN10420002.JPG

Dear Mr Young

Apologies for the late reply to your mail of 19 December 2012, but we would like the following corrections to your errors below noted:

"A number of the existing ground floor windows are already obscured and where necessary new windows in the proposed homes will be obscured. " (Jed Young)

The windows on the ground floor of Aldwych Buildings are not obscured by any immediate building, indeed they provide sunlight and fresh air to the ground floor flats. By building your proposed, hideous, inadequate storage units in the courtvard, the windows WOULD become obscured, which was our objection. Photos are attached to illustrate how our view from our courtvard windows.

Service charges and general costs to leaseholders

The budget for redevelopment includes the cost of conversion to provide new homes, storage space and changes/improvements to court yards without which the development cannot proceed and therefore there would not be a re-charge to Aldwych Building leaseholders." (Jed Young)

Our objections were focused on the three proposed new homes being incorportated into Aldwych Buildings estate, hence increasing our future maintenance and major work charges as leaseholders, we did not expect to contribute to the building of the proposed development as suggested above.

Objections to loss of TRA space

There is no registered TRA or TRA hall on the estate and no rent has been paid for this space in recent years." (Jed Young)

We have told you on countless occasions that although we were not registered formally for the last few years our T/A has always been active within our community and the T/A room also used by many of the tenants here and in neighbouring blocks for other purposes also, such as get togethers and support groups. To satiate your need we have now formally formed two associations for you to communicate with (ie a TRA and a leaseholder ass)

We would also be grateful for a copy of the feasibility study at your earliest convenience which Nick Clough said had been carried out.

Yours Faithfully

Paula Davis Secretary Aldwych Buildings Leaseholder Association

From: ALDWYCH BUILDINGS TRA <aldwychbuildingstra@yahoo.co.uk>

From: "Young, Jed" < Jed. Young@Camden.gov.uk>

To: 'ALDWYCH BUILDINGS TRA' (Councillor)"

<Julian.Fulbrook@camden.gov.uk>; Planning <Planning@camden.gov.uk>
Cc: "Olad, Awale (Councillor)" <Awale.Olad@camden.gov.uk>; "Peck, Amanda"

Cc: "Olad, Awale (Councillor)" < Awale Olad@camden.gov.uk>; "Feck, Amanda < Amanda.Peck@camden.gov.uk>; "Vincent, Sue (Councillor)" < Sue.Vincent@camden.gov.uk>; "Mullan,

Dermott" <Dermott.Mullan@camden.gov.uk>; Wright Peter CMG Corporate Medical Grp

<Peter.Wright Clough, Nick" Nick.Clough@camden.gov.uk>

Sent: Wednesday, 19 December 2012, 15:39

Subject: RE: On planning application ref: 2012/6132/P

#### Dear residents.

I have extracted below the section in our recent Cabinet report (CENV 2012/40) which set out our understanding of the concerns and objections you have raised and our proposed responses to these. You can see a full copy of the report here (P.84)

http://democracy.camden.gov.uk/documents/g4050/Public%20reports%20pack%2005th-Dec-

2012%2019.00%20Cabinet.pdf?T=10

These proposed mitigation measures form part of the regeneration strategy that was approved by Cabinet and we will confinue to work with residents to ensure that re-provision best meets the needs of existing and future residents.

I understand that you are also commenting on the planning application and that the case officer has received your comments.

I hope that the information sets out how the Council are intending to address the issues you have raised, but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further enquiries. Subject to the outcome of the planning process we would intend to work with residents on the detailed design and delivery of new homes and community facilities.

Kind regards, Jed

Jed Young

Regeneration team leader

### Telephone: 020 7974 2445

The Parker House development would involve the conversion and partial redevelopment of out buildings that face the Aldwych Buildings courtyard and works to the courtyard itself.

These proposals would provide three Council rented

homes of which one would be a wheelchair unit.

Residents of Aldwych Buildings

have formal and informal use of space in the Parker House outbuildings for storage purposes and this would be redeveloped and relocated as part of the project.

The proposals for the out buildings and the courtyard are:

- 1. A small house fronting Parker Street between Parker House and Aldwych Buildings would be redeveloped to provide a 2-bed 4 person house with a front door onto the street and a small private yard at the rear with access to Aldwych Building's courtyard
- 2. A two storey building at the rear of Aldwych Buildings formerly used as hostel office space would be redeveloped to provide a 2-bed 3 person house, accessed via Aldwych Building's communal courtyard which would also have its own small private vard.
- 3. Former bath houses/workshops on the hostel site located below the Aldwych Buildings residents' terrace would be demolished and the space utilised to provide the small yards for the new homes and a marginal increase in the size of the Aldwych courtyard. This demolition and re-ordering of the space would provide a third new home, a 1 bedroom wheel chair unit, located under the

residents' terrace. This part of the development would also provide a new resident bin store and an electricity sub-station.

4. This part of the proposal involves the reuse of former TRA meeting space, replacement of informal and formal residents storage, and bin stores and provision of new landscape planters, bike and other storage spaces. In addition, areas under the internal Aldwych Buildings' staircases, not already enclosed could be converted to provide storage space for larger items. During the consultation period Aldwych estate residents returned 8 feedback forms, a joint letter on behalf of 7 leaseholders and a petition signed by 30 residents, representing 28 flats on the estate.

The feedback was on the whole opposed to the plans to the development in the courtyard of the 3 new social rented units. The main reasons for resident opposition were:

Concerns about increasing the housing density on the estate. The addition of 3 new homes to Aldwych Buildings is expected to have a very minimal impact on density, with a marginal reduction in the quantity of built form and two of the three units having their own private outdoor space, at no cost to existing residents amenity. There were also concerns about the introduction of family housing onto the estate, again the impact would be minimal as the two 2 bedroom house can accommodate a maximum of three children.

Access for 3 new homes into the communal courtyard

Two of the three new units would be accessed from the communal courtyard to reach their front door, with the third having its primary access directly from Parker Street, resulting in a little impact on residents.

Impact on light and privacy

Two of the three proposed new homes would be created through the conversion of existing buildings and the existing windows that look onto the estate will be retained and there would be little or no impact on either light or privacy from the new units. A number of the existing ground floor windows are already obscured and where necessary new windows in the proposed homes will be obscured. The impact on sunlight and daylight from the main Parker House development is also considered to be minimal.

Issues with noise during construction

A detailed construction management plan would be developed in consultation with residents, demolition experts, the successful contractor, local businesses to ensure that noise and disruption was minimised during the construction process.

Loss of courtvard space

The overall size of the courtyard would be increased marginally as a result of the development, with the terrace being temporarily out of use during construction.

Service charges and general costs to leaseholders

The budget for redevelopment includes the cost of conversion to provide new homes, storage space and changes/improvements to court yards without which the development cannot proceed and therefore there would not be a re-charge to Aldwych Building leaseholders.

Objections to loss of TRA space

There is no registered TRA or TRA hall on the estate and no rent has been paid for this space in recent years.

Loss of drying areas

Drying areas on top of the terrace would be temporarily out of use during construction but replaced in the same location.

From: ALDWYCH BUILDINGS TRA fm

Sent: 13 December 2012 17:14

To: Fulbrook, Julian (Councillor): Planning

Cc: Olad, Awale (Councillor); Peck, Amanda; Vincent, Sue (Councillor); Young, Jed; Mullan, Dermott; Wright Peter CMG Cornorate Medical Grp

Subject: Re: On planning application ref: 2012/6132/P

Thank you Julian for replying to our objections raised and we look forward to attending the meetings of the DMC. After seeking counsel it has come to our attention that the buildings which have been proposed to join the Aldwych estate cannot in fact be listed as part of the estate without 75% of the current residing tenants in favour of this development. Could you please explain to us how, in the light of the petition signed by all residents against this development, this remains to be part of the proposal?

From: "Fulbrook, Julian (Councillor)" < Julian.Fulbrook@camden.gov.uk>

>: Planning <Planning@camden.gov.uk> To: 'ALDWYCH BUILDINGS TRA' <al Cc: "Olad, Awale (Councillor)" <Awale, Olad@camden.gov.uk>; "Peck, Amanda" <Amanda.Peck@camden.gov.uk>; "Vincent, Sue (Councillor)" <Sue. Vincent@camden.gov.uk>; "Young, Jed" <Jed. Young@Camden.gov.uk>; "Mullan,

Dermott" < Dermott.Mullan@camden.gov.uk>; Wright Peter CMG Corporate Medical Grp

<Peter.Wright

Sent: Monday, 10 December 2012, 23:38

Subject: RE: On planning application ref: 2012/6132/P

Thank you for keeping us in touch with your views.

I am very pleased to hear that you have constituted yourselves as an official TRA, as this would appear to be the first time for many years.

Indeed, one of the reasons why the three disability access units were considered at the rear of Aldwych Buildings was because an inused TRA Room and former washrooms used as unofficial storage would not seem to be a useful way to use space in Central London, and we do of course have 25,000 households on the waiting list, many in a desperate plight and several with wheelchair issues.

I am passing your comments on to Jed Young, who is the officer co-ordinating comments on the scheme. I look forward to seeing you at the Holborn District Management Committee and to the TRA playing a full part in the life of the ward.

Best wishes

Julian Fulbrook

Julian Fulbrook

Councillor for Holborn & Covent Garden (Labour)

Inquiries to Karen Martins, Executive Assistant, Room 122

e: karen.martins@camden.gov.uk

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From: ALDWYCH BUILDINGS TRA [mail

Sent: 10 December 2012 23:33

To: Planning

Ce: Olad, Awale (Councillor); Peck, Amanda; Vincent, Sue (Councillor); Fulbrook, Julian (Councillor)

Subject: On planning application ref: 2012/6132/P

December 10th 2012

Re: Application Ref: 2012/6132/P

Dear Madams and Sirs

Having already sent on an individual basis objections to the proposed planning application for redevelopment works to Parker House and parts of Parker Mews (Application Ref: 2012/6132/P), we now wish to respond as a formalised Tenants and Residents Association (TRA) for Aldwych Buildings, Parker Mews, London, WC2B 5NT.

It should first be noted that the aforementioned TRA has been central to the community for over twenty years, though only now has the importance of formalising the committee been fully appreciated. Furthermore, what we now communicate should be considered alongside the letter of objection to these proposals sent to you by our Lease Holders Association (from aldwychlha@hotmail.co.uk on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2.31pm).

The objections, misgivings, and areas of concern are many and complex; the following should be understood by way of introduction to some of the pertinent issues:

No mention has been made in the planning proposal to the TRA room. This is problematic and rather odd given its unique importance at the heart of Aldwych Building's community, both administratively – as the home of the building's historical archive of documents and photographs – and spiritually, in a very real sense, given its centrality to shared neighbourly celebrations and TRA meetings;

the health implications of situating the proposed electrical substation in our building's courtyard has not been addressed. This is doubly dubious: even disregarding for a moment the burgeoning evidence that clearly points to links between such substations and miscarriage, dementia, cancer, infertility, heart problems and depression (perhaps the most worrying of all given the history of mental ill-health of many of the community's residents), the notion of its being positioned squarely in an area dominated by social housing – as far as logistically possible from the forty proposed private residences – is plainly offensive and ethically destitute:

it is unclear whether or not a feasibility study has been undertaken. If indeed it has, its continued validity would have to be scrutinised;

the manifold externalities of the disruption that would be caused by two to three years of building work have not been addressed seriously. These are too many to delineate in a concise letter, but include the detrimental effects on physical and mental health, a sustained onslaught on the well-being and daily life and culture of the people and animals that reside in Aldwych Buildings, the practical considerations of dust and other resultant detritus dirtying our homes and greater living areas, and decreased renparty of Aldwych Builal and sale value of properties (at least, but not necessarily exclusively, while works are ongoing);

the security of the residents and their homes would undoubtedly be compromised by such an extended period of building work:

the effect on the greater community of Covent Garden ought also to be considered in good faith. Beyond the unexpected pasis that we are privileged to be able to enjoy in our courtyard and terrace, the character of the neighbourhood is informed and nourished by the homeless hostel in Parker House. The area retains its historical sense and flavour, but this must not be taken for granted as we pass through such testing political and economic times: what stands to be lost is priceless;

the motivation behind the recent refurbishment of the building's façade must now be considered. It is inevitable that we should consider whether this was merely an aesthetic facelift in preparation of enticing the market's bidders; this leads to the question of who is behind the development and where the freehold would reside. The community stands to gain nothing from these proposals; certain other people evidently do.

We would be most grateful if you would acknowledge receipt of this letter, as well as informing us of the time, date and place of the Development Management Committee that will analyse this decision. Please send this notification by email and letter to Tom Hinrichsen, 23 Aldwych Buildings, Parker Mews, London, WC2B 5NT.

### Yours sincerely

#### Tom Hinrichsen

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Simon Green

Parker Street

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15th December 2012

Amanda Peck

**Planning Officer** 

Camden Council

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RE: Parker House 25 Parker Street London WC2B 5PA, Planning Application, 2012/6132/P

Dear Ms Peck

I am writing to object to the above planning application.

I object on the grounds that the proposed application is not suitable for a Listed Building which sits within a conservation area. The planned new top floor is too modern and will be an eyesore. The application is not fitting for a quiet residential street.

In addition, may I point out that Camden have NOT followed their own procedures in writing to the effected neighbours. I live at number 8 Parker Street and have NOT received to statutory planning letter informing me of this application. The current deadline of 20<sup>th</sup> December needs to be extended as many neighbours do not know that the application has been submitted. I would be grateful if you could confirm that the deadline will be extended or the application withdrawn and resubmitted.

Yours sincerely





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### Peck, Amanda

From: Dawson (development), Barry

Sent: 26 November 2012 11:00

To: Peck, Amanda

Subject: FW: planning application 2012/6132/P - logged 26/11/2012 bd

Regards

Barry

From: Natalia Watts [mailto

Sent: 24 November 2012 13:1.

To: Planning

Subject: planning application 2012/6132/P - logged 26/11/2012 bd

Dear Amanda.

RE planning application 2012/6132/P

My comments are as follows:

I am in favour of the Parker House building being converted into private housing however I am against the conversion of the building between Aldwych Buildings and Parker House into a 2 bed house and the 2 storey building at the rear of Aldwych Buildings' courtyard into a 2 bed house. In addition I am against the conversion of the former TRA meeting room, formal and informal storage areas into a 1 bed wheelchair flat and the proposed substation to be located on the Aldwych estate.

It is of concern to the residents of Aldwych Buildings that the maintenance of the roof seems to be the most expensive portion of our maintenance liability. The conversion will likely increase our service charges as leaseholders because extra roofing will now need to be maintained as these converted buildings listed above, except Parker House main, will then be part of the Aldwych estate. We will loose a covered area for our TA meetings and storage space which will detract from our sense of community. The substation will create noise as well as detract from the amenity of the building

Could I please be notified of any decisions made by council to 22 Aldwych Buildings, Parker Mews, London WC2B 5NT.

Yours sincerely

Natalia Watts





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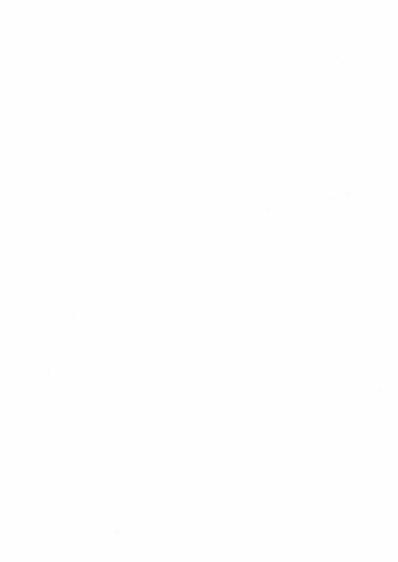
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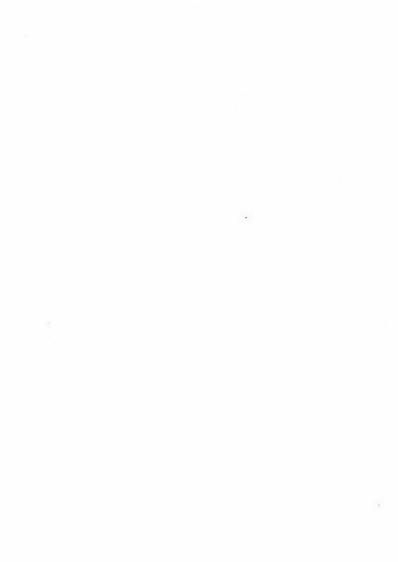
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Associated Ref:

Please ask for: Amanda Peck Telephone: 020 7974 5885

19 November 2012

Dear Sir/Madam

Owner/Occupier Flat 50

2 Macklin Street

WC2B 5ND

Winter Garden House

#### PLANNING APPLICATION CONSULTATION

I am writing to let you inform you that a planning application has been received for work to the property or site listed below. The proposal may affect you or your neighbourhood. I would like to invite you to comment on the application so that your views can be taken into consideration before the application is decided.

Address: Parker House 25 Parker Street London WC2B 5PA

The Proposed Work:

Redevelopment of the site to provide 43 residential units (40 x private and 3 x affordable) within a six storey plus basement building and retention of the existing façade to Parker Street, following demolition of the existing hostel accommodation and former Aldwych Workshops on Parker Mews and associated storage, cycle parking, refuse and landscape works (Class C3).

Included with this letter is advice about commenting on applications and how to find out more information about the application.

We must receive your written comments within 21 days of the date of this letter. You can comment for or against an application or simply raise an issue without saying whether you support the application or not. We will try to take into account any comments received after the 21 days if a decision on the application has not been made.

If you wish to be notified of the date of the Development Management Committee and of the Council's decision, you must provide us with your postal address.

The Council welcomes comments from tenants and owners. If you are not the owner of the property you occupy, can you please also inform the owner about this letter.



I look forward to hearing your views on this proposal.

In addition, do you know you can receive email alerts for planning and licensing applications as they happen in your local area? If you would like to receive these please register by going through the following steps.

- 1) Visit www.camden.gov.uk/planning
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- This page wll provide you with the option to register your email address to receive email alerts for planning and licensing applications in your local area

Yours faithfully Amanda Peck