

I would like to comment on the following application: P2013/3807/P

I would like to raise the following objections to the proposal, and the accompanying Islington proposals P2013/1423/1425:

1. **The heights of the buildings**, both 12 and 15 stories are far too high. Residential buildings should conform to the heights of those that surround the site on all sides. There is no residential precedent for a building of 15 stories and the character of the neighbourhood as well as light and crowding issues for local residents must be taken into account. This is a historic Bloomsbury site. It was first open land, then a large rubbish tip, then the site of a house of correction. Classic London squares and streets surround it. The top of a new square is nothing like in character the old Bloomsbury squares, which were surrounded by equal height residential buildings on four sides of no more than 5 stories and an attic, enclosed in railings and planted with native shrubs and grass. This history must be taken into account when planning for the future.

2. **The density of construction has no local precedent**, even in local authority building. Where are the services to provide - schools places, doctors places, open space - to cater for residents of 700 flats and office workers?

3. **Noise**. I request that a noise impact study is done for the whole area, both Islington and Camden. I suggest that for residents of the immediate neighbouring streets, this impact will be very high.

3. **There is no adequate accompanying traffic and street plan**. This proposal will result in a huge increase of traffic of all sorts - services, delivery, residents, visitors, cycles, pedestrians.

A. All existing parking must be made 24hour resident only. The number of parking spaces for this development is utterly inadequate to take visitors into account - they will swamp the surrounding streets. Existing residents must therefore be protected.

B. Margery St and Calthorpe St are already dangerous, particularly the latter. I ask that accident data is made available. Camden Council, which frequently monitors this area with in car cameras, must be aware of this problem, and the numerous accidents that already take place here. Calthorpe St and Margery St must be made cycle only streets. This is the only way to ensure the safety of existing residents and the thousands of new ones.

Yours sincerely,