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Planning Application 2014/4618/P for 1ST FLOOR
Planning Application 2014/46120/P for 2ND FLOOR
Planning Application 2014/4616/P for 3RD FLOOR
Planning Application 2014/4619/P for 4TH FLOOR

Dear Sirs

I have written before in the following terms to ask you to refuse the permitted development rights for a previous application to turn Linton House from office to flats. This letter still applies to these new applications.

"As a local resident, [REDACTED] I am writing to urge Camden to refuse this application.

Change of use of this building to 44 flats will reduce opportunities for local employment. Many people working here are long term local residents. It will also lead to reduction in the viability of other local service businesses, some of which are also under development threat. This change will constitute a major impetus to the change of character for this mixed use area.

It seems very likely that the businesses in Camden immediately to the south of Kentish Town will be very disrupted for many years due to the HS2 construction programme. It would therefore be very beneficial for Camden to retain useful business and employment opportunities here. The area is close to the central area of London exempted from the permitted development rights and, in view of the HS2 proposals, should have been included to ensure services and employment opportunities keep the area alive. "

I now understand that these concerns will not help you to turn down these applications. However they may be useful as part of the reasons for the need for Article 4 in this area.

These applications are part of a long chain of applications applied to this building to change its use - paradoxically all seemingly handled by different planning officers which cannot help joined up thinking in the Planning Department - see 2014/4387/P and 2014/4533/P as well as 2014/2367/P

The previous application, 2014/2367/P, for permitted development by reason of Prior Approval did not provide thorough traffic, flood risk and contaminated land risk assessments and on these grounds should be reassessed as it is inadequate.

These four new applications increase the number of flats on three of the four floors in comparison to the scheme which has been given permitted development rights by Prior Approval recently, bringing the total from 44 to 50. This increase will exacerbate all the problems that may arise. However they still do not provide traffic, flood risk or contaminated land risk assessment. The proposals for flood management, such as the City of London's emerging proposals for the dams at the Hampstead Heath ponds show that this failing is of particular concern.

For this reason I urge you to refuse the permitted development rights sought. None of the applications cover the necessary information and they present even greater potential for problems in these respects than the earlier submission.

Yours sincerely

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