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2014/5939/P	Dr Magdalena Cybulska	Flat 2 41 Howitt Road London NW3 4LU	19/10/2014 22:32:33	OBJ	<p>I live in flat 2 at 41 Howitt Road. The planned work would affect me directly and severely. For this reason I am strongly opposed to this application. Myself and my partner live with a baby who is under 1, and it would be detrimental to her health and well-being being subjected to permanent noise, dust, and continuous disruption caused by workers moving through the house. It would also pose a risk to her safety, being carried into her pram past heavy-duty equipment which would be undoubtedly stored in the house. Being a medical doctor I am well aware that the early years of child's life are of paramount importance for the future growth and development - my daughter cannot therefore be subjected to such a disruption and danger, on health grounds. Furthermore I suffer from eczema, which is triggered by stress and dry air conditions. The stress which I would be subjected to as a consequence of the planned works would exacerbate my condition, and so would the dust. In addition, such extensive building work would necessitate repositioning of the water gas and waste pipes in the building - this would subject us to disruption in water and gas supply - i.e. no heating in the coming winter months, disruption to our hygienic routine and use of toilet. It is simply inhumane to keep a small baby in a freezing flat. A potential move to a new flat would prove equally stressful and this is thus out of the question. It is very kind of the applicant to consider the enviromental impact of this excavation, however I ask the Council to please consider the people in the first instance - as this seems not to have been addressed at all in the extensive paperwork submitted with this application.</p>

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2014/5939/P	Gail Brackett	39B Howitt Road London NW3 4LU	20/10/2014 08:50:41	OBJLETTE R	<p>I am a Camden Council tenant living in Flat B, 39 Howitt Road, NW3 4LU. I have lived in this property for 16 years.</p> <p>I object to the planning application on the following grounds:</p> <p>Number 39 Howitt Road is a house owned by Camden Council.</p> <p>Camden Council has sent surveyors to inspect this house (No 39) for subsidence. There are several mature and sapling trees planted in the opposite garden on the other side of the fence, at the back of our house. It is suspected that a large root from one of the trees has grown underneath our property (No 39) and that could be causing our property to move. Unfortunately, I'm not certain of the exact dates these inspections took place as I received no follow-up correspondence from the relevant office in Camden Council.</p> <p>The kitchen wall at the back of the house adjoining my property to No 37 Howitt Road has moved back and forth away from the adjoining wall of No 37 and No 39. Sometimes the gap can be as wide as 2.5cm and can be easily seen with the naked eye. Then the gap will close again and the wall looks secure. Camden's surveyor photographed this area when he came to inspect my property.</p> <p>The waste pipe from my toilet has moved and is out of alignment to the wall. Camden's surveyor also photographed this area.</p> <p>Two doors in my flat have dropped down and no longer close to the door jamb or lock as they should do.</p> <p>There are widespread hairline cracks which form a grid pattern in the chimney and side walls that join my property to the walls of No. 41 Howitt Road. These hairline cracks appeared after previous work had been carried out to an extension to the top flat in No 41 Howitt Road. A sledgehammer was used during this work. The cracks in my walls were not there prior to this building work.</p> <p>All the houses is Howitt Road are built on a hill. We have already had several basements created in this road over the recent past. These basement developments destabilise adjacent properties and my house already has signs of subsidence, I think it would be helpful if your department discussed this with relevant Housing officers in Camden Council.</p> <p>I have also sent these comments by letter but am emailing your Dept also to ensure you have received my comments.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>

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2014/5939/P	James Smith	Flat 2 41 Howitt Road London NW3 4LU	19/10/2014 23:05:35	OBJ	<p>Tenant Flat 2, 41 Howitt Road, directly above the proposed work - Vote: ** AGAINST ** 19 October 2014</p> <p>Against, primarily because of the deprivations that would be imposed on my nine month old daughter who would be living directly above boring and excavation machinery. There are undeniable health and safety considerations.</p> <p>I have taken a look at your array of documents in support of the planning application.</p> <p>Although consideration has been given to environmental impact - the Secret Garden etc. - I don't see a report or assessment of the impact on the inhabitants/ neighbours of the property and of surrounding properties – the human impact.</p> <p>My comments -:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Design and layout – no comment. 2. External appearance and materials – no comment. 3. Access for disabled people - N/A 4. Loss of privacy - unfortunate. 5. Noise nuisance ***** <p>If you intend tunnelling and excavating below the property I understand that --</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. the property will have to be entirely vacated during the modifications? b. there is no estimate as to the duration of the work - presumably this is in the years? c. my partner and I living (as tenants) just above the proposed work have a nine month old baby. I can't imagine we'd be expected to continue our residency while excavation machinery removes tonnes of earth and concrete from the foundations. Albeit this is done in a nicely planned sequence. The health and safety implications are self-evident. Risks concomitant to any building site -: <p>explosive materials flammable materials poisonous fumes noise heavy machinery</p>

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6. Traffic and parking issues - will the dust from the excavators mean more regular visits to the car wash?

7. Land - not my business

Safety

a. We"d be expected to move? other than weaving around the heavy machinery outside the front door carrying the baby?

b. the existing boiler location in flat 1 is potentially unsafe according to Evan Ferguson so we sit on a hazard?

c. the current conservatory at the back blocks one potential access in the event of fire. The addition of the new glazed bays blocks another. In fact the addition of a footlight at the front blocks still another egress. Jumping into railing? from the front windows?

d. What about the bush, by the bins – that will go – an environmental issue?

e. There will of course be explosion / toxic fume dangers / dust problems from the heavy machinery in the basement. Fire suppression systems will be installed?

f. The inevitable interruptions to essential services / electricity / water / gas – with a baby? --- AM AGAINST

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2014/5939/P	Sally Barton	Flat 3 41 Howitt Road London NW3 4LU	22/10/2014 18:11:40	OBJ	<p>As a resident in the affected building I have a number of concerns that would need to be addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- My housemates and I often work from home and therefore require quiet - disruptions will impact our work environment and could impact our work- I have paid for a parking permit to be able to park outside my house. I require the ability to park there. Also parking is already limited on the street and if this is limited more there will be not be enough space, therefore we need assurances that this will not happen.- General noise/disruption from building will be heard and felt in the house.- Builders/vans making the area noisy, dirty and unsafe.- On the safety point, there are already a lot of opportunist criminals in the area (we have had them call on the door before and have previously reported this to the police more than once) - having lots of strangers around the building puts us at risk.- We require free access to the front of the house and the bins (so no temporary wooden structures ruining the look of the house and limiting our ability to carry things in/out e.g. a bike).- Question - How long will this be for? When? <p>I would need assurances on all of these points to ensure we have a clean and peaceful habitation. Thanks.</p>
