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Sent: 12 February 2015 11:23
To: Fowler, David
Cc: Kate Solomon
Subject: ref "2014/7874/P"

Hi David,

I live with my family on Whidborne Street with a clear view of the town hall annexe building and the surrounding area. We strongly feel that any development should not increase the height of the building. The extraordinary architecture of St Pancras must be allowed to continue to be the majestic focal point of the area.

The architects reason for wanting to increase the height seems to be purely based on changing the proportions of the building to something they feel is more proportional. This seems very charitable of them. I can't help thinking the motive is more commercial. In any case it's missing the point, even if the town hall annexe is short in proportion to its length, the architects at the time were no doubt aware of this and happy to concede the proportional balance of their new building to the existing St Pancras landmark.

This scheme is purely motivated by getting the most amount of return on the investment, the increased height has nothing beneficial of the area and as such we strongly object to it.

Yours

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From: info@jhra.org.uk [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 February 2015 10:40
To: Fowler, David
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Dear Mr Fowler

I write on behalf of the Jessel House Residents Association to convey the deep reservations of the residents of Jessel House, Judd Street to the proposed increase in height of the Town Hall Annexe site.

The current design does not appear to have taken any account of the views expressed at the meeting at the Camden Centre where the developer gave a presentation of their intentions and the overwhelming consensus from the community was that the increase in height was unacceptable so close to the clock tower of St Pancras, one of Londons most well known landmarks, a magnet for tourists and one of the first veivs of many visitors to the Capital as they exit Kings Cross and St Pancras Stations from the Underground, Mainline and Eurostar.

The developer's statement:

"Whilst in some views from the south the additional roof storeys would intrude into the setting of the listed building, the total high has been set so that it does not diminish the dominance of the tower spire as a townscape feature within the local skyline."

is untrue, the dominance of Goerge Gilbert Scott's clocktower will be usurped in all of the views from the South and also from the north, from St Pancras Chambers itself. The most regrettable view will be from the new square outside Kings Cross Station. This roof extension will challenge rather than enhance the facade and clocktower of St Pancras.

This proposed alien insertion into a most sensitive skyline is in stark contrast to the defference shown by the British Library, whose roofline has been kept to a more suitable level.

Yours sincerely

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