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Dear Mr McClue

Please find enclosed two letters which I would ask if you could file with the objections to planning proposal **2015/0906/P** concerning the Admiral Mann public house, 9 Hargrave Place, London N7 OBP.

Kind regards



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Dear Planning Dept

The Admiral Mann public house, 9 Hargrave Place, London N7 0BP

I strongly urge you to any reject any planning application(s) that seek to convert the Admiral Mann public house into flats, resulting in the loss of this highly valued community asset that has provided recreational space for the local community for over 130 years, hosting celebrations, meetings, wakes and other social events.

I understand from constituents that this popular and viable public house recently closed, after it had been sold be McMullen's brewery to a property developer and a community of regulars have formed a committee and applied for 'Asset of Community Value' status from Camden Council.

The Mayor of London's 'draft further alterations to his London Plan state:

Para 4.48A – 'The Mayor recognises the important role that London's public houses can play in the social fabric of communities (see also Policy 3.1B) and recent research highlights the rapid rate of closures over the past decade and the factors behind these. To address these concerns, where there is sufficient evidence of need, community asset value and viability in pub use, boroughs are encouraged to bring forward policies to retain, manage and enhance public houses'
<https://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/FALP%20SUGGESTED%20CHANGES%207%20July%202014.pdf>

Best

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OBJECTION to planning application 2015/09/06

To Whom It May Concern. Please Read!!!

I am a 66 year old man with severe, physical disabilities and am confined to a wheelchair at all times.

I was extremely shocked and surprised to return from a hospital procedure to find that this public house had been shut and sold off to developers almost overnight.

The Admiral Mann has been my only local for the past 15 or so years.

As well as my own health problems, my wife is also severely physically disabled, requiring a wheelchair and ventilator support 24/7. I am my wife's main carer and our lives are full of stress and struggle most of the time. For the past years, I have enjoyed a couple of hours of respite by going for a pint on a Friday evening whilst carers look after my wife.

This is my only form of social interaction with local folk. As you can imagine, I have felt this to be a devastating decision and it has greatly affected my quality of life. As a result of this blow, I have lost regular, face to face contact with all my friends, who have been such a strong support network to me over so many years.

I have searched my local area for a wheelchair-friendly, traditional type of pub, sadly, without success. There is just nowhere that is accessible with special wheelchair toilet facilities, with out of the ordinary, helpful staff and management, as well as friendly customers. It is also rare to find a pub in which one feels safe as I have always felt in this well-loved and popular establishment. The Admiral Mann had all of these qualities despite being an older building. I feel the changes that the property developers which to do will ruin the pub for me and many others who see this as a genuine community asset.

This is another reason to be very sorry to see the pub altered beyond all recognition and have its viability threatened by the planning proposals. As my wife and I have lived in this same area for most of our lives. We have seen many detrimental changes over the years and this will be yet another welcoming, period building lost forever as part of our heritage.

I am sure my wife and I are not alone in feeling this to be such a sad loss and only serves in destroying a large part of our local community.

Thank you for reading my letter.

Hopefully, it is not too late to save The Admiral Mann.

Yours Sincerely,

Barry Garnham.

P.S. I urge Camden to consider the application at a Committee Meeting.