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Attention: Gideon Whittington

18th March 2015

Dear Sir,

Objections to the following Planning Applications
Planning Applications 2015/0886/P and 2015/1032/L
Grove Lodge, Admirals Walk

Application for an extension of time to respond

- (1) The present time limit for consultation, according to the website is 26th March 2015 and this is an application on behalf of Admirals House and many others as objectors to extend the time for lodging responses for a further twenty one days i.e. until 16th April. The reasons for this application are set out below:
 - (a) The planning application itself contains ten specialist reports, four of which, in particular (Michael Barclay, HR Wallingford, Ground Engineering and Southern Testing) are from different disciplines but all relating to ground conditions and the proposed basement excavations.
 - (b) It is plain from those reports that they have been months in preparation – the investigations starting last August 2014.
 - (c) The objectors have only had limited time to consider these technical matters since the application was lodged and made public (February 2015).

- (d) It is now apparent that the objectors need more time to take advice as to these technical matters which have or may have a bearing on the structural stability of their properties. It is also apparent that the relevant consultants did not consult the neighbours (as they should have done in accordance with the Ove Arup advice to Camden) and there are factors not considered in their reports which now need to be included (see point (2) of the Admirals House further objection of 13th March 2015).
- (e) In the circumstances it would be unfair to the objectors not to grant this limited extension (a period which also includes the Easter holiday) in putting them at an unfair disadvantage compared to the position of the applicants.

For all of the above reasons it is only appropriate to extend the time. This was one of the factors (amongst others) that I wanted to discuss with Mr. Whittington when I attempted to speak to him last week and left a message in respect of the same (see our Further Objection of 13th March). I have given our telephone numbers and e-mail address in those objections and my work telephone number is 020 7242 3981.

On one final point the Camden website refers to certain persons or entities having been consulted and I would be grateful if Camden could confirm (1) that they have or will consult English Heritage and (2) have notified the Secretary of State.

Yours faithfully,

John Gardiner

