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Dear Rob.

I have just discovered the planning application 2015/2089/P at 11 Rosslyn Hill and had to write to you in addition to the objection I just filed via the website to explain my reasoning in detail to prevent any misunderstanding of the filed objection.

Basically, this development will force Air Studios to close for a minimum period of at least 6 months - the extensive underground building work will make the studios inoperable because of the noise pollution & vibration caused which will make it impossible to continue working. This would be a disaster and may very well result in the permanent closure of the studios as they would be utterly unable to run any sessions at all - this will have serious knock-on effects as well because Air are world renowned and contribute a lot of money to the local economy as well as the whole recording scene in London itself.

Air Studios is one of London's finest facilities and a prolonged period of forced closure could well prove to be catastrophic to their entire future as nobody can afford to pay the overheads & running costs whilst being unable to actually do any work so may well be forced to close their doors permanently as a direct result of this development. This will make all staff unemployed, Camden council will lose all the income from the studios themselves, the staff & all the support industries that help to keep a world class facility like this open and running - maintenance engineers, recording engineers employed directly by the studios as well as the freelancers who hire the studios etc.

I beg you to reject this application as the cost to the local economy will be enormous and London may very well lose this facility forever, which would be a catastrophic blow to the entire music industry.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if I can clarify anything further for you

Yours very sincerely

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