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Development Management Team  
Camden Borough Council  
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Dear Management Team,

**PLANNING APPLICATION 2015 / 2366 / P: 5-7 LANCASTER GROVE, NW3 4HE**

I have been asked by the Parochial Church Council of St Peter's Belsize Park to convey to you the PCC's view of the above planning application.

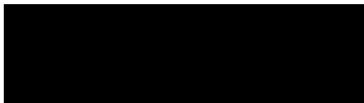
St Peter's PCC believes that the distinctive character of the Belsize Conservation Area deserves to be preserved. St Peter's Church itself provides "a landmark in Belsize Park and Belsize Square", in the words of the Conservation Area Statement. The same statement recognises that the church is visible from other roads in the area, such as Crossfield Road.

We believe that the proposed new building at 5-7 Lancaster Grove would be out of keeping with the character of Lancaster Grove and the Conservation Area because a six-storey building would bulk too large in a road where no other domestic building has that number of storeys. It would be too dominant visually and would break the roof-line rhythm of the existing buildings in the road. We are also concerned that the proposed building would obscure the view of St Peter's church tower from Crossfield Road.

We have another concern. A new building with as many as 15 flats would inevitably cause an increase in the volume of traffic in Lancaster Grove, and we see this as a potential risk to the safety of young children who regularly use this road to walk between school premises.

I would be grateful if you would record this letter as an objection to the planning application.

Yours sincerely,



Mary Shakeshaft

Churchwarden  
St Peter's Belsize Park