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Dear Ms. Chivers

RE: PA 2015/3681/P – Endeavour House, 179-199 Shaftesbury Avenue WC2H 8JG

I am the Hon Secretary of the Lindsay House Residents' Association (LHRA) representing Lindsay House (LH), 30 New Compton Street (N C St). We are immediate neighbours of Endeavour House (EH) of the above planning application. We adjoin EH and our front door is adjacent to EH (right) - their rear/delivery area. Our building is 7 floors with LH occupying 3 floors (5-7) and The Glasshouse (GH) apartments occupying 3 floors (4-6). We are mentioned on the planning application as 30 N C St – not as (14) individual properties as with GH or 45.

Luckily I found out about this application via a neighbour opposite in Pendrell House (PH) and The Covent Garden Community Association. No one in this block has been contacted or informed about this application despite being immediate residential neighbours. It is a shame EH management did not find this a reasonable or neighbourly approach to take. On behalf of the LHRA I wish to challenge the application on various points.

1. The Design and Access Statement states “ There are no residential neighbours in the immediate vicinity that would be affected by the proposal”. This is nonsense and untrue. The near neighbours in N C St. are: LH 14 Flats, GH 14 Flats, PH 25 Flats, No.45 25 Flats and there are several flats above the retail premises at the EH end of N C St. A total of over 80 residential properties in the vicinity.
2. Noise, even talking, travels very easily in this street. On our terrace we can hear conversations from the terrace of the Central St Giles office building - they have a garden/terrace space for staff - and that is higher and beyond EH at the end of N C St. and across St Giles High Street. We have had a problem recently with noise from an apartment opposite and have to be mindful ourselves on our own terrace. If this application is granted what will be the hours of use? There need to be strict restrictions on hours and noise levels and no music.
3. The Design and Access Statement uses a photograph of our shared terrace on the 6th floor of LH as an example of an existing terrace – ironic since at the same time suggesting there are no residential neighbours in the vicinity. Our terrace was purpose built as part of a residential block so is not comparative precedent. The photograph also clearly shows how we will be overlooked by the 7th floor of EH. If permission is granted there needs to be provision for our privacy included.

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4. The Design and Access Statement underlines that EH is not in a conservation area. Is this correct? I thought it was in the Denmark Street conservation area - N C St. seems to be included in Camden's Denmark Street Conservation Area Appraisal & Management Strategy document (16.03.2010). I hope you will consider our points about this application, it is not as straightforward as EH and Standard Life Investments are implying. We hope as long term residents (and EH neighbours) in a largely residential street you will understand and address our concerns regarding this application.

Yours sincerely

Sian Williams - Hon Sec LHRA
Jeffrey Saunders - Chairman LHRA
Patricia Maxwell - Treasurer LHRA
