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Dear Mr McClue:

Re: Objection to planning application: reference number: 2015/4030/P

A friend of mine sent me photograph of a building which had been recently had external wall insulation consisting of white painted render applied to the exterior of the building and a photograph of how the building looked 5 years later. I was so appalled that I felt I had to object as the council want to do the same thing to Mortimer Estate which is a pleasant estate, like being in the country but in the heart of London.

The clad building after a few years looked like a slum and I cannot understand why councils would persist with these sorts of programmes when the buildings look so dreadful after such a short time.

In an age where buildings strive to be maintenance-free, I am also mystified as to why councils would want to create rods for their own backs and for the residents. No-one wants to have scaffolding outside their homes every few years and nor to have to pay to redecorate buildings if this can be avoided.

I am all for energy-efficiency and although I am no expert, am sure that there are other ways of making buildings reduce their carbon emissions without ruining buildings.

There must be so many unmet housing needs and so why doesn't the Council spend the money it has on them?

Many other council estates up and down the country are externally insulating buildings but the residents seem to really dislike it. Please do not do it to another one. Please protect the buildings!

Yours sincerely
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