

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Consultees Addr:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2015/4456/P	Will Blair	26 Northumberland House Gaisford Street Kentish Town London	10/09/2015 20:16:59	OBJ	<p>Dear Mr McClue \\ I would like to file an objection to the above referenced application, concerning the former Admiral Mann public house.</p> <p>I object as an experienced local pub campaigner, and have sadly witnessed the cynical attempts by developers to undermine perfectly profitable public house businesses by a fundamental restructuring of their buildings and layouts, so as to make a subsequent attempt to close the business much easier.</p> <p>I believe the proposal in this application to reduce the PH floorspace in the Admiral Mann and reduction in the size of the manager's accommodation is a clear example of this type of 'trojan horse' planning strategy.</p> <p>The change of use of half of the PH has a bad precedent in Camden - see the example of the Dartmouth Arms and Albert pubs which had similar proposals made to them, which has result in their closure.</p> <p>The partial demolition within the proposal represents also a great loss of architectural, cultural and historic value to the local community, as the building is a purpose-built PH built in the 1870s.</p> <p>The pub also fulfilled a vital community role prior to its closure, and was particularly popular with elderly, vulnerable, and less affluent members of our community, many of whom feel priced out of or uncomfortable in the new wave of 'gastro-pubs' which have swept North London in the past decade.</p> <p>The Admiral Mann's ACV status is a recognition by Camden Council and the community of the vital social and cultural role it plays in our society, and so I strongly object to any proposal that will, in my view, undermine the future of such an asset.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration of this matter.</p> <p>Best wishes</p> <p>Will</p>
