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For attention of Kathryn Moran, Senior Planning Officer

Dear Kathryn,

I am writing to object to the proposed restaurant extension in the plans for Dead Dogs Basin.

This initial design would reduce the capacity of the basin by an unacceptable amount and would cancel out its benefits both visually and as a waterway resource.

I fully support the idea of opening up the basin, brightening it up, and bringing it back to life. If its overall shape is left intact then there will be numerous opportunities to integrate it with the rest of the market, but these opportunities would be lost forever if permission is granted for covering such a large area of the water surface. Please instruct the designers to withdraw this feature and to replace it with a less intrusive structure.

Many of us feel that if this basin can be put back into practical use then it will attract tourist attention and will boost public relations for any developers involved. By contrast, if this basin's capacity were to be reduced through the introduction of an overhanging restaurant extension, then this would represent yet another wasted opportunity on our waterway network.

Taking away another opportunity to take lorries off the roads could save the lives of cyclists and pedestrians, surely the neighbourhood plan includes ways of improving air quality and road safety!

Yours sincerely

Lisa Tang

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