

Friends of St Georges Gardens

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Dear Rob,

I'm sorry, I was away on holiday in Arctic Norway - so apologies for slow response. And thanks for getting in touch.

As I said when this first (finally!) got published on Camden's website, it's quite hard to compare with the plans which already had approval, as no direct comparisons showed up in the published documents, which were pretty sparse.

The proposed new building appears to be smaller than that approved so we can't claim inappropriate size, etc. We very much regret that the old 19th century buildings will still be sacrificed - and perhaps even more so, that Gregory House will survive - a real eyesore. However I suspect that neither point is sufficient for a valid objection, given the demolition was approved some years ago, and our views on a surviving eyesore probably don't fall within grounds to object under current planning guidelines - sadly.

It all seems to be a bit of a hodgepodge, and given the history of applications to develop Corum Campus, I wonder whether it will in fact go forward this time, either. I sort of hope not, as I believe the site deserves better.

Best regards

Jo

For FoSGG committee