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Dear Mr Tulloch,

I'm writing from the Fortune Green & West Hampstead Neighbourhood Development Forum (NDF) about your report on the above planning application for the student development on Blackburn Road in West Hampstead.

Although the NDF did not comment on the planning application, I am very concerned that report fails to consider (under Relevant Policies), the Fortune Green & West Hampstead Neighbourhood Plan. The Plan was formally adopted by Camden Council on 16 September 2015 and is now part of the statutory planning policy for this area - including this site.

In particular, this application should have been considered against Neighbourhood Plan Policy 2 (Design & Character) & Policy 4 (West Hampstead Growth Area).

I'm also advised that the failure to consider the Neighbourhood Plan in assessing this planning application may leave the Council's decision open to challenge.

I'd be grateful if you could explain why the Neighbourhood Plan was not considered in relation to this application.

Best wishes,

James Earl  
(Chair, Fortune Green & West Hampstead NDF)