

Dear Charles, I am of course pleased that Camden has finally seen the force of the arguments put forward by a formidable coalition of local groups including the City of London and the KPLSA against this application and the relevant CMP and will no longer be advocating the grant of permission to the above application at the DCC on 25<sup>th</sup> February. I wish however to make sure that the objections of Highgate CAAC to this application are fully recorded. They are as follows:

- The demolition of the Water House and its replacement by the new dwelling proposed will neither preserve nor enhance the Conservation Area but be to its detriment. There is no possible community benefit suggested to outweigh the harm which will be done.
- 2. The increase in floor area and decrease in open space resulting from this application is unacceptable no matter how the figures are manipulated and is against Camden's policies
- 3. The damage to Metropolitan Open land of national significance (Hampstead Heath) from the building operations and from the run off of ground water as a result of the basement construction cannot be countenanced and is against both local and national policies.
- 4. The damage to trees including valuable veterans cannot be sufficiently mitigated to make this scheme acceptable.
- 5. The Health and Safety concerns created by the use of Millfield lane by heavy construction traffic can only be avoided by a much smaller and more modest scheme than that at present applied for.

Good wishes Susan Rose Chair Highgate CAAC





