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**To:** Fowler, David  
**Subject:** Comments on the CST planning app from Jeanne Thomason

Dear David Fowler

## **Planning ref no 2015/2704/P Central Somers Town**

Jeanne Thomason has asked me to draw the following to your attention by way of comment on the planning application.

1. The Coopers Lane questionnaire of March/April 2015
2. The 670 signature petition submitted to the Leader's office

Jeanne is the secretary of Coopers Lane Tenants and Residents Association and is opposed to the application.

I've provided information about where these items are referenced within the planning application documents.

### **1. Coopers Lane Estate questionnaire March/April 2015**

Members of the TRA opposed to the Central Somers Town development proposals carried out a questionnaire among their neighbours on Coopers Lane estate in March/April 2015. 118 replies were collected. I've summarised the responses into a table.

<b>Question</b>	<b>% answering no</b>
Do you want to have a tower block on Coopers Lane estate?	98%
Do you want to have any new buildings on Coopers Lane estate?	81%
Do you want to have any new buildings higher than 4 storeys?	93%
Do you want to lose the community hall?	93%
Do you want to lose the community garden?	94%

- The full survey result is published on pages 54-56 in the consultation report prepared by PPS Group in June 2015. This report is available for download from [camden.gov.uk/centralsomerstown](http://camden.gov.uk/centralsomerstown) and is referenced in the Statement of Community Involvement within the planning application.

### **2. Petition requesting a Cabinet debate on the Central Somers Town CIP proposals, October 2015**

Several residents from Coopers Lane and other Somers Town estate presented a 670 signature petition and requested a debate at Cabinet.

The text of the petition read:

*"We the undersigned live, work or study in Somers Town and environs and would like to register our opposition to the proposed Community Investment Programme (CIP) development centred around the Edith Neville School rebuilding project and the proposed developments in the immediate area.*

*We request that Camden Council implement a minimum impact development to achieve the project's original aim of rebuilding the*

*school. This would avoid unnecessary over-development such as the twenty-six or more storey tower block and the many units of high-value market housing. Very little social or affordable housing has been included in the scheme.*

*The current CIP project is out of keeping with the area and such a grandiose and intrusive scheme is neither needed to replace the school nor wanted by the people of Somers Town.”*

The petition was submitted to the Leader's office.

A debate was held at the Cabinet meeting on 16 December 2015.

- The 670 signature petition is referenced in the Statement of Community Involvement within the planning application.

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