

Somers Town Petition

Representatives from Coopers Lane TRA and Walker House TRA are handing over a petition of 670 signatures, from the residents and workers/students of the Somers Town area, to Louise Trewavas – a Camden Council officer, in the presence of Roger Robinson, Ward Councillor, on behalf of the entire community. It is not a petition from just these two TRAs but from across the Somers Town area.

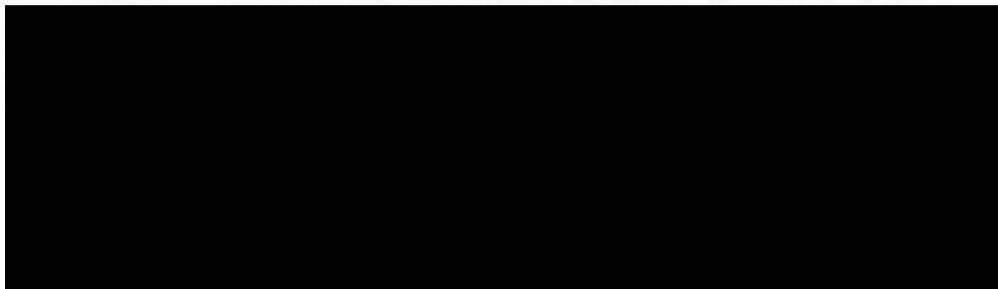
This is a petition proposing an alternative to the proposals that have been presented to the community through the consultation process.

In checking the petition we have as much as possible eliminated any mistakes including lack of house numbers in the address.

In addition we are presenting signatures from people who work in St Pancras Station which number 48. We have not included this number in the total for the petition generally, due to lack of information regarding address (shop) details but believe it will still interest those who will consider the implications of the petition.

We expect this petition to set in motion a debate in Cabinet and hope it will dispel the rumour that only a few residents in Somers Town object to this overdevelopment proposal. In the time that we have had to talk to some people and gather signatures we have, as you see, collected over 700 objections to this plan. This should give Cabinet a good indication of the strong feelings of local people.

We are asking for a minimum impact development and for building above the school to be debated sensibly, with advice from independent architects.



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**PETITION TO CAMDEN COUNCIL CONCERNING THE CIP
IN THE PURCHASE ST. GREEN AREA**

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.

