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2016/1260/P	GILES ELLWOOD	GILES ELLWOOD 6 TOWER COURT London Wc2H 9NU	18/04/2016 17:24:05	OBJ	<p>The air & light well at the rear of 48 Monmouth St serves four five-storey domestic dwelling houses (in Tower Ct) plus around eight flats (on the upper floors of Monmouth St) & has done since the 18th century! The shops on the ground floor of Monmouth Street once had access to this air-well, but enclosed it some decades ago to increase their retail space - and have thrived ever since. Air Con units such as that proposed for 48 Monmouth Street have particular impact in small spaces such as this since their noise reverberates & is audible from all upper windows, as well as our back yards - everywhere in fact except in the shop itself. The visual impact is negative too: these are listed buildings - no one would suggest attaching AirCon units to their front facades. So I object to the proposal on the grounds of noise & visual impact, also wider loss of amenity since more residents will suffer from it than benefit. Finally, precedent would enable all the other shops on Monmouth St to install similar units, and thus our environment would be seriously & permanently compromised. It seems odd in view of the fact that residents of Tower Court are most affected by this application that no notice was displayed in Tower Court itself, nor were we notified of it individually.</p>
