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Camden council planning application Ref. 2010/2845/P

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Dear Charles Thuairé

After having read the application regarding the North Fairground Site, Vale of Health, London NW3 1AU, I have the following concerns and therefore object to the application for a lawful development certificate for an existing use or operation or activity including those in breach of a planning application.

Enclosed please find my statutory declaration which includes 'Comments on North Fairground Site Plan' and also 'Photographic Evidence in support of statutory declaration'. These documents show that the North Fairground site has not been used exclusively for residential purposes in the last ten years as claimed by the applicants.

I feel that to change the use of the site from an intermittently used fairground site with some residential use to a fully established residential caravan park is highly unsuitable and inappropriate for the surrounding houses, the Vale of Health itself, as well as Hampstead Heath. As pointed out in my statutory declaration, the noise level in particular is a main cause for concern, as caravans do not have the same insulation as houses and more of the everyday life takes place outside. I am concerned that over time an increased number of caravans would be placed on the site, increasing the noise level even more. Another problem of adding more residents to the Vale of Health is an acute shortage of parking space, which would not be provided in the applicants planning application.

The site was never intended to be for residential use. If the temporary funfair usage is no longer viable for the site a more appropriate use for Metropolitan Open Land in one of London's prime recreation areas needs to be found. I am also worried that allowing this application to go through will eventually lead to residential buildings, which is a use of the site that has been objected to for so many years by Camden Council. I therefore strongly object to this planning application.

Please note that the quotation in paragraph 4(b) of Ian Harrison's letter of 21 July 2010 on behalf of the Vale of Health Society is taken from paragraph 4 of my statutory declaration.

Please also note that the funfair ride seen in photograph 11 has been removed from the site in the afternoon of 22 of July, prior to your visit on the 23 of July.

Yours sincerely


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