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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 02 October 2016 18:38  
**To:** Planning  
**Subject:** 2016/5181/P

Attn Ian Gracie

Dear Ian Gracie,

I am writing to record my objection to planning application 2016/5181/P, for the building proposed for 3-6, Spring Place, NW5 3BA.

This is too big and bulky a building for its location. It is relying on the precedent of a small block of flats a little further to the north, a slim building. But the proposed building is a huge lump which will dominate the skyline in this part of Kentish Town. In particular it represents a creeping domination of the area immediately to the north of the Inkerman Conservation Area, which would suffer greatly.

The architects have made the usual gestures towards making the building more pretty, but no amount of surface treatment will disguise the sheer size of this building. If it were reduced by at least one floor, it might be tolerable.

The developers and architects at a presentation I attended spoke confidently of how they expected that in time the site just to the south of them would also be developed to the same height, as will the Camden-owned depot facing them across Spring Place. I hope they are wrong and that the council would prevent that, for what is the point of having a conservation area if it gets surrounded by large commercial buildings which dominate the skyline around it?

I ask for this application to be rejected as it stands, and the scheme to be reduced by at least one storey.

Your sincerely,  
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