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Sent: 24 May 2017 16:01

To: Planning Cc:

Subject: Re: Planning Application 2017/1759/P - URGENT

Dear Planning Officer

I am a resident of Lytton Court, 14 Barter Street and am writing about planning application 2017/1759/P for 133-136 High Holborn. This application includes changes to the use of the car park behind 133-136 High Holborn and alongside Lytton Court (a residential block). The proposed changes include placing food carts in the car park and using the area for events and as an outside meeting space. The application also appears to include opening entrances in Hogarth House on Bloomsbury Court which also runs alongside Lytton Court. At present the only entrances to 133-136 High Holborn are on High Holborn.

I wish to register my very strong objections to this proposal for the following reasons -

- 1. the original planning approval for the development of the whole site, including Lytton Court, (ref PL/8800104/R2) includes the following clause: "The whole of the car parking accommodation shown on drawing number AL/1484/61 shall be provided and retained permanently for the parking of vehicles of the occupiers of the residential accommodation hereby approved." Since the residents of Lytton Court have never been consulted on amending this it presumably remains in force.
- a change of use of the car park (Monarch Yard) including food carts and meetings/events and the opening of entrances on Bloomsbury Court would have unacceptable noise and odour consequences for residents of Lytton Court (and the other residents on the south side of Barter Street).
- 3. any loss of parking availability and any commercial use of Monarch Yard would impact the value of the Lytton Court flats.
- 4. the application is inaccurate. It refers to six (6) parking spaces whereas there are in fact seven (7). One of them is leased by myself under a lease going back to 1991 when Lytton Court was newly built.

In addition I am very surprised about the process you have followed, firstly, because I did not receive direct notification of the proposal even though my flat directly overlooks the carpark and my wife and I are obviously strongly affected by it (the first I knew about it was seeing a sign on a lamppost several yards away from Lytton Court), and secondly, because the notice period is extraordinarily short (and also confusing - the lamppost notice says 31

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May but your website says 25 May, ie tomorrow!). I believe Camden has failed to follow due process in this case.

I would urge that this application should not be considered for approval before a proper consultation is undertaken with local residents including all residents with properties backing onto the carpark and/or overlooking Bloomsbury Court. This includes all the residents of Lytton Court.

I would appreciate your comments on the points made above. And in any case please acknowledge receipt of this message.

I have copied this message to my solicitor.

yours faithfully Nicholas Barber CBE

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