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**From:** David Reed [REDACTED]  
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**Cc:** Planning  
**Subject:** 100 AVENUE ROAD, SWISS COTTAGE, NW3 3HF APPLICATION REF:  
2017/4036/PS96A NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENT APPLICATION Objection

**Dear Mr McClue and Planners,**

I wish to object to the following application:

100 AVENUE ROAD, SWISS COTTAGE, NW3 3HF APPLICATION REF: 2017/4036/P S96A NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENT APPLICATION

The details included in this application constitute MATERIAL AMENDMENTS to the existing planning permission and should be rejected for several reasons, as documented below:

1. Changes to the entrance arrangements, particularly for the affordable units, the internal layouts, changes to the elevational treatment and to the glazing detail are not within the spirit of the existing planning permission. They do not offer 'an improvement', as the developer's claim in their cover letter. They change fundamental elements of the internal and external design. They impact differently upon adjoining occupiers and the surrounding environment. Most importantly they raise important safety concerns which have not been addressed in this application.
2. Changes to the internal floor-plans appear to reduce hallway sizes to increase unit size. This results in a dangerous reduction in hallway space, particularly within the tower. Fire routes **MUST** be larger than normal hallways as, when in a panic, people occupy much more space and it appears that London Fire Brigade **have not been consulted** on this change. This is particularly dangerous in a tower with only one stairwell: reducing the hall space still further increases the problems of an evacuation. This is a material change.
3. Changes to the glazing, the 'means of opening windows' and the 'positioning of the balconies'. These changes could severely impact the fire safety of the whole building and you must demand assurances from London Fire Brigade on the new window-opening arrangements and their impact on fire safety in a tower designed with only one stairwell. This is a material change.
4. 'Changes to the affordable entrance doors'. These changes are material in that they introduce 'poor doors' to this part of the development. In the proposed changes, the developers say the entrance to the affordable units will be altered simply to provide, 'more attractive retail units'. So shops matter more than people! Camden Council should not be permitting developers to change their planning permission in order to introduce such changes which stigmatise any group through housing design. This is a material change.
5. Removal of the rooftop maintenance unit in the tower due to 'changes in window cleaning strategy'. This is a material amendment to the granted permission which stated that the glazing on the tower would be kept well maintained. The current application offers no information about how the windows will be kept clean without this rooftop maintenance unit. This is a material change.

**For all these reasons we call upon the London Borough of Camden to oppose these significant and damaging changes.**

Sincerely,

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