



Dear Jonathan

Given the updated floor plan proposals and the new letter from Mr Evans that have just now been posted on your website – 21/08/2017 & 22/ 08./2017- would you be kind enough to defer your decision so that the public have time to respond to this new information?

Please can you post this up on the website as being my comments on this newly revised information submitted by the developer.

Fire Safety and safety in general

My immediate concern is that, according to Mr Evans there is still only **one** fire escape in the tower, as the doorways that they have now been added to the plans wont work as fire escapes in any case. This would still be a significant change in relation to fire safety, as clearly two exits would be safer than one. The original plans offered two, so it is still unacceptable that one is being removed for the sake of a water feature. In addition the remaining SW main exit would open out to a beaufort force 6 wind tunnel in the gap between the two buildings. (receptor 7) [Wind & Microclimate Assessment, Fig 7]. Safety in general will be compromised by removing the other NW main exit from the tower, and in this context, doing so would be a material change.

It simply does not make sense to wait for fire safety approval to be given **after** the development has been built. We await the building regulations review following Grenfell and in the light of Grenfell it cannot be right to now make **any** changes that may compromise fire safety in a 24 storey tower, *whatever* the current building regulations presently allow.

The addition of a new staircase arising from the basement.

Mr Evans says this staircase only opens up to the car park from a level below in the basement. This doesn't make sense unless there are floor plans missing that show the basement is on two levels. We would need to see those floor plans. In any case this information ought to have been noted in the proposed plans.

The addition of a new large service/plant room in lower building.

I have found no mention of this being an addition either in the proposed plans nor in Mr Evans' new letter. This unacknowledged additional service/plant room is unacceptable because it is taking away an entire

lobby including the eastern exit of the lower building, facing the Green. It is a significant change and therefore a material one. This **addition** ought to be noted with newly resubmitted plans.

I look forward to hearing from you

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