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2017/6045/P	Katarzyna Gacek	5B Gondar Gardens NW6 1EW	07/12/2017 11:48:39	OBJ	To whom it may concern:  RE: 2017/6045/P

As a resident of Gondar Gardens, I would like to voice out my strong and categorical objection to the proposal of building this luxury retirement village at the place of Gondar Gardens Reservoir.

First and foremost the Gondar Gardens reservoir is one of the last green and open spaces in what is gradually becoming a densely populated area. It is a natural habitat for a number of protected and red-listed species and a unique green lung of West Hampstead, a district receiving elevated pollution levels from the extreme traffic of A41, A5 and North Circular Road and the nearby railway. Allowing housing development in this area will not only fail to preserve the biodiversity but also deprive the citizens of West Hampstead of a highly valuable area without air, noise and light pollution and instead further increase the pollution levels (ref. AQ103551R2 – Air Quality Assessment, point 1.2.). In the times of rising health threat from the galloping pollution levels in London and the global climate change, I find it appalling that the Camden Council would even consider allowing this unique space to be touched.

As for the structure and purpose of the development, I find the proposed plans absolutely inappropriate and incompatible with the area's needs. What we need from our Council is more well developed, AFFORDABLE housing for young people like me to afford to own their own space. Instead of this, we are being proposed an exclusive GATED retirement village which will only divide our community further into 'the better 1%' and all the rest of us – a loathsome idea. Not only will this particular development not provide any desperately needed services (affordable housing, public medical care, child care, school, police services...the list of priorities is long) but it will also strip us as members of the public from accessing the space, which I personally consider my full right and strongly object to any private company high jacking it in the name of their own profit.

In terms of the design of the proposed development, building a number of six-storey blocks in this particular residential area seems to be of an excessive height and bulk in comparison to the rest of the surrounding and also is completely inconsiderate to the immediate landscape.

Last but not least, during such an extensive development project, as Gondar Gardens residents we will be facing several years of noise and pollution generated by the construction of this absolutely poorly designed complex. Following this, we will be facing the challenges of increased traffic from service providers, employees, tenants and visitors to the facilities. This will not only highly impact on the calm and residential character of the area but also create elevated road traffic levels, problems with access to parking spaces and increased pollution.

As a resident of Gondar Gardens I therefore downright object to granting LifeCare

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					<p>Residences the planning permit for the demolition of the existing reservoir and the erection of six 4-6 storey buildings and four 2-3 storey link buildings with common basement levels to include 82 Self-contained extra care apartments and a 15 bed nursing home. I trust that the Camden Council will be able to make the right decision by declining this absurd application and protecting our residents and the wider community from further degradation of air and life quality in the area.</p> <p>With kind regards Katarzyna Gacek 5b Gondar Gardens</p>

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2017/6045/P	Daniel Dyal	1 Chase Mansions Gondar Gardens NW6 1HA	07/12/2017 13:24:45	OBJ	<p>I live next to the reservoir and I am objecting to this development for a number of reasons.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Any structure built near my property will block natural light from 4 of my rooms.</li> <li>2. I believe excavating the site would cause subsidence to my property.</li> <li>3. Noise created by the staff and residents of the development would be a noise nuisance.</li> <li>4. Traffic congestion in an already narrow street with limited parking.</li> <li>5. The development offers absolutely no benefit to any resident of Gondar Gardens or surrounding area.</li> <li>6. The reservoir is protected land with protected wildlife species.</li> </ol>
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2017/6045/P	Naomi Rose	56a Gondar Gardens	06/12/2017 14:37:12	OBJ	<p>I am writing to object to Lifecares proposal to build on the beautiful open space which is home to precious wildlife and protected slow worms and red-listed birds including starlings and song thrushes – this is a direct contravene of policies on protection of Open Space. Not only that, it will destroy views across the site acknowledged as a public asset, and remove a vital green lung in a built-up area, which is so very much needed. It will be of excessive bulk and height and represent unnecessary and unwanted over-development – 82 luxury flats and 15 nursing beds in six-storey blocks, with a private swimming pool and catering and nursing facilities is simply too much and thus will create air, noise and light pollution in an unusually quiet and undisturbed space. The development will generate unacceptable levels of traffic and parking for visitors and servicing. It will not provide any affordable homes, so will not benefit to the local community anyway and will falsely, rely on mutually exclusive 'centre' and 'frontage' approvals as a precedent for a 'combined' scheme</p> <p>The reservoir is extremely important to many residents in the community with the most beautiful, unspoilt views for the surrounding properties and is a public asset. There will be an unmanageable increase in car activity on the narrow road and will mean that many local resident will be unable to park close to their homes and may have to walk further home at night to access their homes, which poses a security risk.</p> <p>I sincerely hope that you take on board the concerns raised by local residents and respect the open space which is home to much loved protected wildlife.</p> <p>Yours faithfully</p> <p>Naomi Rose</p> <p>56a Gondar Gardens</p>

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2017/6045/P	Phil Ryan	11 Agamemnon Road West Hampstead London NW6 1EB	05/12/2017 12:23:18	APP	<p>This appalling huge ugly building will blight a valuable green space. It will flood the small area with vehicles adding more pollution. It will take away wildlife and deny local primary and infant schools breathable plants and trees. Local residents will have their rights to light and space heavily compromised. It will strain already overfull local GP and medical services not too mention burden local emergency and A&amp;E units. It is about greed. The laughable notion that an elderly persons home should be placed on a steep hill is heavily ironic. It will deny disabled elderly people freedom of movement. It will simply create a gilded death palace. Quality of life for any residents will be restricted and difficult. In summation greedy developers are just trying to destroy a lovely area and offer nothing but misery to all that live here.</p>
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