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Dear Jonathan

I see that EL have, at this extremely late stage in the proceedings, submitted - no, re-submitted with a few additions - their application to remove two **fire exits** [sic] from their new building - an application they withdrew last year [App. 2017/4036/P: withdrawn 14.07.2017] in the wake of the public outcry for safety in high rise buildings that arose following the Grenfell Tower tragedy.

I guess they estimate that enough time has passed and people will have forgotten the urgency of prioritizing building safety. With this cynical re-application it is clear that Essential Living have either forgotten, or choose to ignore, high rise safety.

I want to emphasize how remarkable it is for EL to wantonly **reduce** the safety of their future tenants in order to make more retail space and to make it possible for their demolition/construction vehicles to turn around within the confines of a site demonstrably not suitable for such a build. This is not to mention their utter disregard for the safety of their tenants in the 24 storey tower that is provisioned with only **one fire escape staircase**. But that was permitted long ago. I would not live there and I doubt EL and their publicists would either.

I would also point out that the changes outlined in this amendment are not non-material as they propose a serious and possibly deleterious change in the safety of tenants in the event they must evacuate the building with speed. Surely such a change constitutes a **material** change.

Has the London Fire Brigade given EL the OK on this?

I ask that the Council refuse this planning application.

Kind regards

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