1st October, 2018

Dear Mr McClue,

Construction lorries around 100 Avenue Road

I am adding my voice to the many who are appalled at the prospect of construction traffic pouring through the open space behind the Hampstead Theatre and the market area in front of the theatre.

Now that the CS11 project has been put on hold resulting from the Judicial Review, please ask Essential Living to devise a new plan which does not necessitate their wrecking, with lumbering lorries and dust, this open space. Although I do not live in the immediate vicinity, I do live in Swiss Cottage ward. I regularly visit the library, my doctor's surgery, the Leisure Centre (for a weekly exercise class), the Farmers' Market and the theatre. So I am a "user" of that open space. When walking through it I am impressed by the number of children enjoying its facilities in the water feature, the playground or in organised groups on the small enclosed football pitch. How can that continue with truckloads of building material passing through, as well as the noise and dust of demolition and construction work?

I am 83 years old. Under current plans I am unlikely to see the space returned to anything like its present condition within my lifetime. Although I have been encouraged to write to you, nobody has suggested what I should say. The words, and genuinely felt views expressed, are entirely my own.

So please get Essential Living to return to the drawing board. They got the consent they wanted for their high-rise block. Now let them work out how to build it without completely wrecking a popular facility, for which there is no local substitute.

Yours sincerely,

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