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Camden Council Planning Applications

Planning Officer: Jonathan McClue

RE: Planning Application - 2018/4871/P, 65-69 Holmes Road London NW5 3AN

Dear Mr. McClue,

I want to record that I object in the strongest possible terms to this application to increase the height of the development to seven storeys.

This is a developer that has been shown to prioritise commercial profit over the welfare of the residents, the local community or the local environment on which the development has a huge impact.

The building is ugly, out of keeping with area, overly big and is a massive imposition to residents. A further extension would allow this out-of-proportion building to even more greatly dominate the local skyline and the area.

The fact that the developer has chosen to add another single storey to his already-approved development - one that was objected to by local residents and subject to much rancour in the local community over its effect on noise, light and space for local residents before being approved - is telling and reflects the cynical motives of this developer.

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In short, it is an opportunistic action designed to gain extra rooms to the student accommodation out of sheer greed while, in effect, no one is watching and through the back door.

If the developer wanted seven storeys to the block, why wasn't that part of his original application for the site? The answer is clear: it wouldn't have been approved and so, to circumvent this block, his strategy is to achieve his selfish, individualistic commercial aims in two parts.

To simply force through the addition of a further storey is a blatant attempt to profit once again at the expense of residents and the local community, for which he has no regard or thought.

The application for the original six-storey building was allowed by the planning inspector, despite opposition by the council. Now the developer seeks, despite the cooperation of residents through gritted teeth over the years, to further reap the area for profit with no consideration of others. No mention of this new idea or plan was made to local residents, despite official communication channels being made, including regular meetings - serving further to underline the motives of the developer.

The original design of the six-story building was a disaster for many residents, including myself, with the impact of construction on noise, light and peaceful living. For this extra story to be approved would rub further salt into an already gaping wound.

I urge the planning committee to reject outright this application.

Yours sincerely,

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2018/4871/P	Tony O'Grady	09/11/2018 11:46:08	OBJLETTE R	<p>Dear Sirs</p> <p>Our school is immediately adjacent to the new student accommodation building at 65 Holmes Rd NW5 & we will be greatly affected by the influx of a large number of neighbouring students.</p> <p>The original (i.e. 2013) planning application for this building was strongly opposed by LBC & the local community but the Planning Inspectorate eventually gave consent, on appeal.</p> <p>During the 2016 -> 2018 construction of the new student accommodation building at 65 Holmes Rd NW5 our school has worked closely with the developer & constructor of the site, through regular meetings of a Working Group set up to liaise with the community and to mitigate the impact of the development during the construction phase. We were therefore astonished to see this recent additional application (ref 2018/4871/P) which had not been discussed or mentioned in the Working Group. This significantly diminishes the local liaison, which is one of the firmly stated aims of the developer in its various planning applications & all associated documents.</p> <p>CFBL School wishes to oppose this new application in the strongest terms. The requested additional storey would result in 10% more students, an increase in the height of an ugly building (already opposed by local people on the grounds of height and mass, on the edge of a Conservation Area), and will inevitably result in a further extension of the construction phase (which has already caused disruption and noise to traffic, pedestrians and residents of the area.). Please refuse this application.</p> <p>If it is referred to committee, please notify us of the hearing date.</p> <p>Preferred Method of Contact is Email. Comment Type is Comments made-Email form</p> <p>Best regards</p> <p>Tony O'Grady</p>
2018/4871/P	S L Taylor	06/11/2018 10:25:25	OBJ	<p>This site is already over developed and far too high. It overlooks the local area and has had a very negative impact on its neighbours including loss of light and privacy as well as a blight on the area in term of the lengthy and noisy construction. I am astounded a further application is being put in. These sorts of developments should be stopped and have no benefit to the local community. Please do not consider. The Planning Department have a duty to the local community to put a halt to these cheap, huge and unpleasant buildings that are to be used a student accommodation.</p>

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