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**From:** Vincent, Sue (Councillor)  
**Sent:** 25 May 2019 19:12  
**To:** Alan Fenton; Planning  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]

**Subject:** Re: 160 - 161 Drury Lane

Dear Mr Fenton

Thank you for your email. As I am a member of the planning committee I do not comment on planning applications that have been submitted to the council for consideration so as to retain my vote at committee.

Please be reassured that I listen carefully to all representations made by residents and consider our policies including the impacts that development can bring when the matter is being heard at the planning committee.

You have raised helpful points and have copied in Bethany Cullen, Head of Planning so that she can ensure case officers address the issues you have mentioned.

Regards

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**From:** Alan Fenton <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 24, 2019 11:35 pm  
**To:** Planning  
**Cc:** Simon Green; Vincent, Sue (Councillor); Fulbrook, Julian (Councillor); Olad, Awale (Councillor); [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** 160 - 161 Drury Lane

Dear Sir/Madam,

Having lived at [REDACTED] since shortly after the block was built in 1989, ie April 1st 1990, and been away for 18 months until very recently, I was profoundly disturbed to discover on my return the above planning application, which can only have the effects of making life unbearable for all

neighbouring residents, vastly devaluing our properties, and lowering the tone, in both scale and aesthetic appearance, of our street. This was done by your department in 1966 with the hideously ugly replacement for the contextual Winter Garden Theatre opposite us, and subsequently with the former BT Tower on the corner of Newton Street. It seems that with this proposed new development, such environmentally insensitive and tasteless errors of judgement are to be repeated. There is nothing wrong with the building as it stands, except for the noise from air conditioning units, which can be eliminated by re-siting them, facing away from us, on the roof, and having them timed to switch off during all periods while the building is unoccupied.

My main concerns are noise, both during construction and permanently thereafter, loss of sunlight and loss of privacy. I fully concur with all the points which were raised on behalf of all affected residents during my absence by my esteemed neighbour Mr Simon Green, and wish to oppose totally this planning application.

It seems to be an act of pure commercial greed on the part of the freeholders, without any concern for those whose lives it will blight, as demonstrated by the un-kept promises of those who represent them. I am copying into this email as a courtesy and for their information Mr Green, the three local councillors and three representatives of the Covent Garden Community Association.

Awaiting your response,

Yours faithfully,

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