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Dear

I fully object to the proposed development of the old police station to become the Abacus Belsize Primary Free School.

As a local resident who has a son with asthma, we cannot tolerate any more contribution to poor air quality in the neighbourhood.

Vehicle emissions are already way above the government's safe level. Our Dyson air purifier shows poor quality on a daily basis prior to using it.

I have researched the local levels and see that the legal limit is 40 ug/m³ and we are already at 56 ug/m³. These levels of pollution are just not acceptable and there is absolutely no need to put another school in to the wrong catchment area for it. It's inconceivable.

This school would be in completely the wrong location for its catchment area and it doesn't cater for kids local to the area. There is no way that parents won't be driving young kids from other areas to reach the school. A car is not a privilege reserved for a certain class of parents or parents with kids at private schools (as is so often suggested) but relied upon by many families. The traffic is already at a standstill. We experience heavy rainfall and cold weather for a fair few months a year which means parents with kids often need to use their cars. The traffic is already at a stand still twice a day in this area and absolute gridlock around Downshire Hill, Haverstock/Roslyn Hill and the roads down and around the Royal Free. Also how this will also affect Fitzjohns Avenue too, again traffic at gridlock several times a day. How can Hampstead tolerate any more traffic? There would also be daily lorries delivering food/goods to the school too plus the intention of a business centre at the back of the building too.

Yours sincerely

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