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Dear David Fowler, Principal Planner

May I add my voice to the objections to the Abacus School plans to move into the - now closed - police station in Hampstead.

This is such a beautiful old building which had been a police station/magistrate's court for many years, thus steeped in history and it is now sadly missed as a working police station. I know that Hampstead is not a particularly crime ridden area, but times are changing and with 30,000 police personnel about to be recruited into our dwindling police force perhaps it could even be re-considered for re-opening one day? After all a thriving police station in any area gives confidence and support to a local community.

We have endless primary/independent schools in the area so are well covered for 3-11 age group, if any school should move into the area, why not a state secondary school? The traffic problems caused by all these schools at the beginning and ending of the school day are endless, buses struggle to get through Fitzjohn's Avenue, Hampstead High Street and Rosslyn Hill at busy times as the streets are so congested, some very narrow. The environment just cannot cope or improve unless we are mindful of the difficulties caused by traffic etc.

There is a primary school to the south of Camden, St Aloysius which has closed for good this summer. Could that not be a building considered for the home of Abacus School? The lovely old police station would be better being considered for community use such as a museum/library/ drama centre/ educational use for ALL the schools in the area, or for the residents/workers of Hampstead to utilize.

Yours sincerely  
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