



Dear planning team

Re: 2019/0236/P Green Wall project

I would like to strenuously object to the project to clad the sides of the 1950s blocks on the Regents Park Estate with a "green wall"

1. Given the history of Grenfell I don't think anyone in their right mind would clad potentially flammable organic materials to the side of a tower block.
2. Other greening projects on the estate have already been vandalized including the torching of hedging in Everton Mews.
3. The interventions already in place on the estate have not been adequately maintained: trees have died, planters extensively vandalized and supports for new trees destroyed making the trees a hazard to residents. No action was proactively taken by the team to deal with these issues. In fact most have still not been adequately addressed.

While the project may have assurances of future funding for maintenance, it has already shown that it cannot manage the upkeep of the green interventions already in place on a large housing estate bedeviled with a history of antisocial destructive behavior.

4. Though the team may consider the blocks of "no architectural merit". The clean 1950s design of the Davis and Arnold team is valued by some of the people who actually live in the blocks and don't want cheap looking wire netting pinned to the sides.

I would request an urgent review of the well-meaning but frankly ludicrous project. The money would be better spent taking into consideration the design of the blocks and working with residents to use the planters already incorporated into the balconies of each floor. This would be a more sustainable and community focussed greening project rather than inflicting this tokenistic nonsense on us.

Regards

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