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The Netley STARS (*Junior Travel Ambassadors) are strongly opposed to the Planning Application 2019/47000/HS2 as we believe this will affect many pupils, parents and staff of Netley Primary School.

We are concerned that it will cause congestion on neighbouring streets, with an increased volume of lorries waiting on Robert Street at traffic lights (including the new set which would be installed on the Robert St/Hampstead Road junction).

Robert Street and Stanhope Street have very narrow pavements compared to Hampstead Road. Ishaaq (10yrs) says 'The pavements are very narrow on these streets and my younger brothers have to walk to school. It will be dangerous with all these lorries on these narrow streets.'

Davina (10yrs) says 'It will make our journey to and from school much more dangerous and not enjoyable breathing in all the particulates'.

The 150-200 lorries per day (300-400 times passing us, if you include entering to pick up rubble and then exiting to haul the rubble away) will increase particulates in the atmosphere and in our playground, which will mean we will have a lower quality of air.

Erica (10yrs) says 'It will effect people with health conditions in school as there will be more pollution in our school environment.'

Mayeda (10yrs) says ' I have to be driven to school. This proposal will cause extra traffic which means I might be late for school on a regular basis which would effect my learning.'
Our parents who drive use Stanhope Street to get from Primrose Hill area to Netley- they will be greatly effected. Increased traffic means some of our most vulnerable children (with complex Autism) who travel to school by borough transport will be effected greatly.

Francisco (10yrs) ' We focused on teaching children to scoot and cycle to school last year. We had lots of children learning to cycle and scoot. If there are this amount of lorries, they will be too scared to scoot and cycle. This will mean our health and mental health suffers!'

The Netley STARs have looked at google maps and think a dedicated Haul Road that links the site at the north of Stanhope Street directly onto Hampstead Road would be a better solution as it would take these lorries away from our school entrances and stop most of the pollution and danger.

We insist you take our serious complaints on board and we would ask you to reconsider your current plans.

We are the future and deserve to have our health and education protected.

Yours sincerely,



The Netley STARS

