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I have cc'd Camden Planning into my reply because I simply can't believe how disingenuous the supposed consultation process and feedback has been on this development. The assumptive 'fait accompli' approach did not constitute a consultation by any credible measure.

Contrary to your email below, we were never 'consulted', despite being an immediate next door neighbour to the proposed development. No owner in my building ever received an invitation to the public meeting and we were completely unaware it had even taken place until a considerable time later. In a building of just 4 flats, where I invariably separate the post and work from home a lot, it stretches credibility to believe that we all missed both the flyers and in-person visits you claim to have conducted.

The only communication I ever received was when one of your colleagues saw a 'For Sale' sign by chance outside our property and contacted me via the estate agent in January. The feedback given to Camden Planning about our subsequent telephone conversations was in my view completely misrepresented and a wholly inaccurate characterization of our calls.

To present your client to Camden as a decent developer when the local community has had nothing but a cursory, superficial, box-ticking whitewash at the 11th hour, that is hardly worthy of being called a public consultation, is I believe both misleading and irresponsible.

I also find it very difficult to believe that the lightweight PR spin that was conducted adhered to the regulatory standards expected in a legitimate consultation process, especially for a huge development that will have such a profoundly negative impact on the local community. The guiding principles of a public consultation are transparency and inclusion from the beginning. This was opaque and divisive and in my opinion intentionally undertaken just weeks before the planning application was submitted to avoid any meaningful participation or scrutiny by neighbours.

It was simply a subjective exercise in confirmation bias to support the developer's commercial narrative and should be completely disregarded by Camden planning officials.

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Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

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Date: 17/04/2020 18:58 (GMT+02:00)

Subject: Francis Gardner Apartments

I hope you and yours are well.

Firstly, I would like to thank you for participating in the public consultation process for the proposed redevelopment of Francis Gardner Apartments. Your feedback has been important to us and helped influence the final proposal submitted to Camden Council.

As I am sure you are already aware, the deadline for comments to the Council was 05 April 2020. However, we are still keen to keep in touch and will respond to any queries you may have.

Many of the points you raised have now been addressed in the designs. Bearing in mind that the public health crisis means we cannot arrange any further meetings nor effectively present these changes to you face to face, the team's efforts to address the points raised during the consultation can be found on our website here <http://francisgardnerapartments.co.uk/faq/>

[Your Questions Answered - Francis Gardner Apartments](#)

Our project team is here to help. If you have any questions about our plans for the redevelopment of Francis Gardner Apartments, please contact us.. From the outset the views and suggestions of the local community have been an important part of the design process.

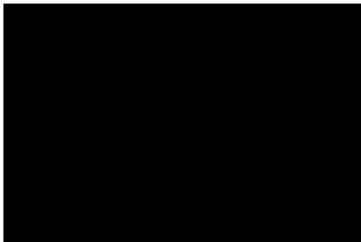
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The team remains reachable through the contact page on our website. Alternatively, you can always contact me directly through the details in my signature below.

I look forward to hearing from you, stay safe.

Kind Regards,

[Redacted Signature]



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