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Dear Rachel,

Please see below objection letter to the above planning references pertaining to the Boston House development on Fitzroy Square on behalf of Tracey Emin CBE.

Having been drawn to this beautiful area, I have recently (unfortunately delayed by lockdown) purchased a property in a prominent position on the square. The tranquility of the square and historic ambience were two of the most compelling factors in my decision to move here. As an artist it was the beautiful green and peaceful views from my windows that convinced me this was the place I could paint. Fitzroy Square is a residential and business area, the addition of a university campus for more than a considerable amount of students would completely change the atmosphere of this important location - which is not a part of the knowledge quarter but a Conservation Area. It is a completely separate and quiet oasis quite apart from nearby busy centres, which would be destroyed by the introduction of students who have no tie to the area as the residents do.

The residents maintain and care for the square through collective, independent contribution which aims to preserve the history of the area and the architecture; the style of which is completely inappropriate to students as a transient community. The nature of this community will be detrimental to the area through the unwelcome addition of noise, litter and unattractive bicycle racks with no limit on hours or time of day for operation. This means the disruption would extend into evenings and weekends with no reprieve.

The University clearly has no regard for the area and the residents concerns, failing to listen in the past and only increasing upon it's plans, demonstrating a lack of consideration for the historic importance of the square and highlighting how inappropriate an institution of this type is for Fitzroy Square.

Kind Regards,
Tracey Emin

Lydia Seleska
PA to Tracey Emin CBE