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Attention Laura Hazelton via E-mail: laura.hazelton@camden.gov.uk

Dear Ms Hazelton

Re: OBJECTION : 2020/5850/L and 2020/5793/L Terrace Around First Floor Horse Hospital, Stables Market

I am responding to this application on behalf of the Jeffreys Street CAAC.

The Jeffreys Street CAAC strongly **OBJECT** to this application for the following reasons:

1. The existing Grade II* Horse Hospital, Stables Yard and surrounding brick wall are fine reminders of Camden's industrial past and the important role the adjacent canal played in servicing Victorian London. The buildings that remain from then are for the most part intact and in recent years have been sensitively restored. The new uses for the buildings have created a vibrant market which has become one of London's major tourist attractions.
2. Unfortunately there have been some grim additions which swear at the original buildings – such as the ramshackle stalls and glass screens which presently surround the Horse Hospital, they destroy the integrity of the protective wall and views of the Horse Hospital positioned behind it. To make matters worse these cheap structures are highly visible from Chalk Farm Road which is the main road into Camden from the north and offers the visitors their first glimpse of Camden's Victorian industrial heritage.
2. If the submitted proposal is meant to be a suitable replacement for the existing mess – it isn't! Preferably nothing should appear above the parapet of the wall or interfere with view of the top of the Horse Hospital – the Jeffreys Street CAAC wholeheartedly approves of the proposal to demolish the existing stalls, screen and canopies surrounding the Horse Hospital. What we cannot support is the appalling structure that the applicant intends to build as a replacement.
3. The design would be more appropriate at a beach resort in Thailand. The form is completely alien to the industrial structures around it, the top of the Horse Hospital vanishes, the wall is subsumed by this timber and steel structure sited behind it. Does Camden Council really want this to be the first glimpse visitors have of the world famous Camden Market?
4. The CAAC strongly recommends that the applicant has further pre-consultation meetings with the planning officer and conservation officer before resubmitting this application.

Yours faithfully

John Green
On behalf of Jeffreys Street CAAC

Cc Peter Hodgman –Jeffreys Street Association