

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2020/6010/P	Allen Withington	08/02/2021 21:33:12	OBJ	<p>The Primrose Hill Rd terrace is comprised of 14 three-storey houses with a uniform roof line. With the two recent permitted development applications, we will have an unsightly broken roof line. As the comments on application 2020/5570/P have shown, half of the residents living in the terrace are against this upward development.</p> <p>For many years, Camden has had uniform roofline rules under the Local Plan and Policy D1 Design. Why is this being discarded?</p> <p>Dennis Lennon, the architect of the estate back in 1965, chose the mix of four, three and two-storey properties in the way he did in order to achieve a balanced, consistent and open aspect aesthetic. That is certainly the view of the Twentieth Century Society whose request to Camden is to put in place an Article 4 direction. As independent market research has shown, the majority of our residents support that.</p> <p>As others have commented, in 2004 the Twentieth Century Society attempted to have the entire Chalcots Estate made into a conservation area. Camden rejected that proposal. I wonder if you could go back in time would you change that decision and save yourselves £90M in recladding plus all the other costs?</p> <p>And now, even with the benefit of hindsight, fire safety is not a planning issue!</p> <p>What makes the Quickwood Sector unique from the rest of the Chalcots Estate is that it was built using High Alumina Cement (HAC). Again, not a planning issue, but now we are aware of the situation and potential risks.</p> <p>The Chalcots Estate might not have won any architectural prizes. But the Twentieth Century Society recognizes its importance as do many of the residents who have lived here for many years and brought up their families. The majority of us feel strongly that this unique environment should not be destroyed by unsympathetic, uncontrolled and haphazard development.</p> <p>But then, unlike many of the supporters of this application, I am only a mere resident of the Quickwood sector.</p>