

Subject: Planning Objection 2021/2954/P

Dear Mr Fowler

I wish to lodge my objection to the above plan.

I live in 50 Great Russell Street.

The plan before the council is for a building is considerable taller than the one which is already there. Such a building would permanently affect the area by blocking light. Once this building goes up it will dominate the skyline dwarfing the historic architecture. The building will change the skyline of this part of central London considerably. And to what end?

The pandemic has altered working patterns permanently with a significant number working from home for part or all of the working week, I so not believe such a speculative development would be able to be filled by offices. In this neighbourhood alone there are a high number of vacant spaces - with further departures due soon as the banks leave.

Bloomsbury is sustained by tourism. To build such an eyesore - a white elephant indeed - will do nothing to support the local economy.

I hope that the council will decline this application.

Sincerely

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