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Subject: FW: TO READ--LabTech and proposals 2021/2954/P

Hello,

Please log and upload objection.

Thanks,

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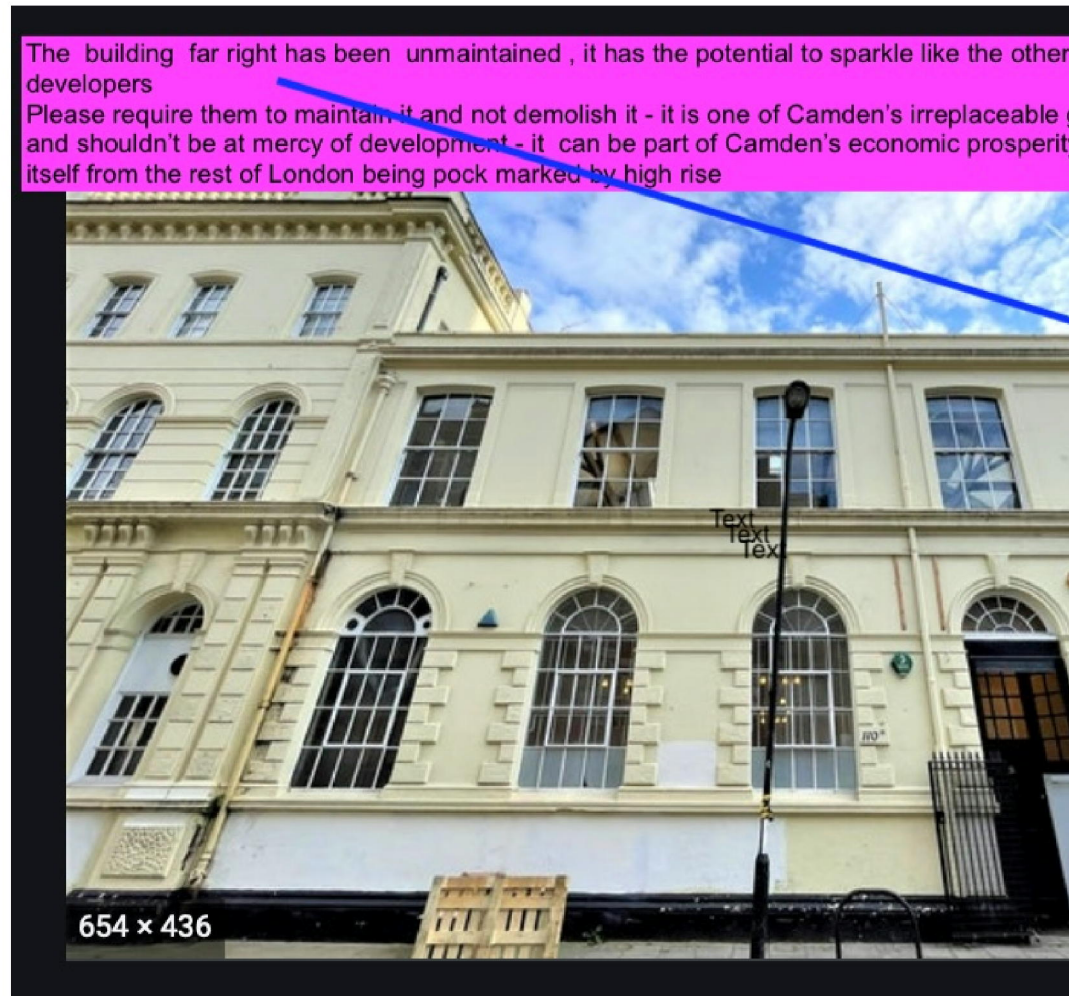
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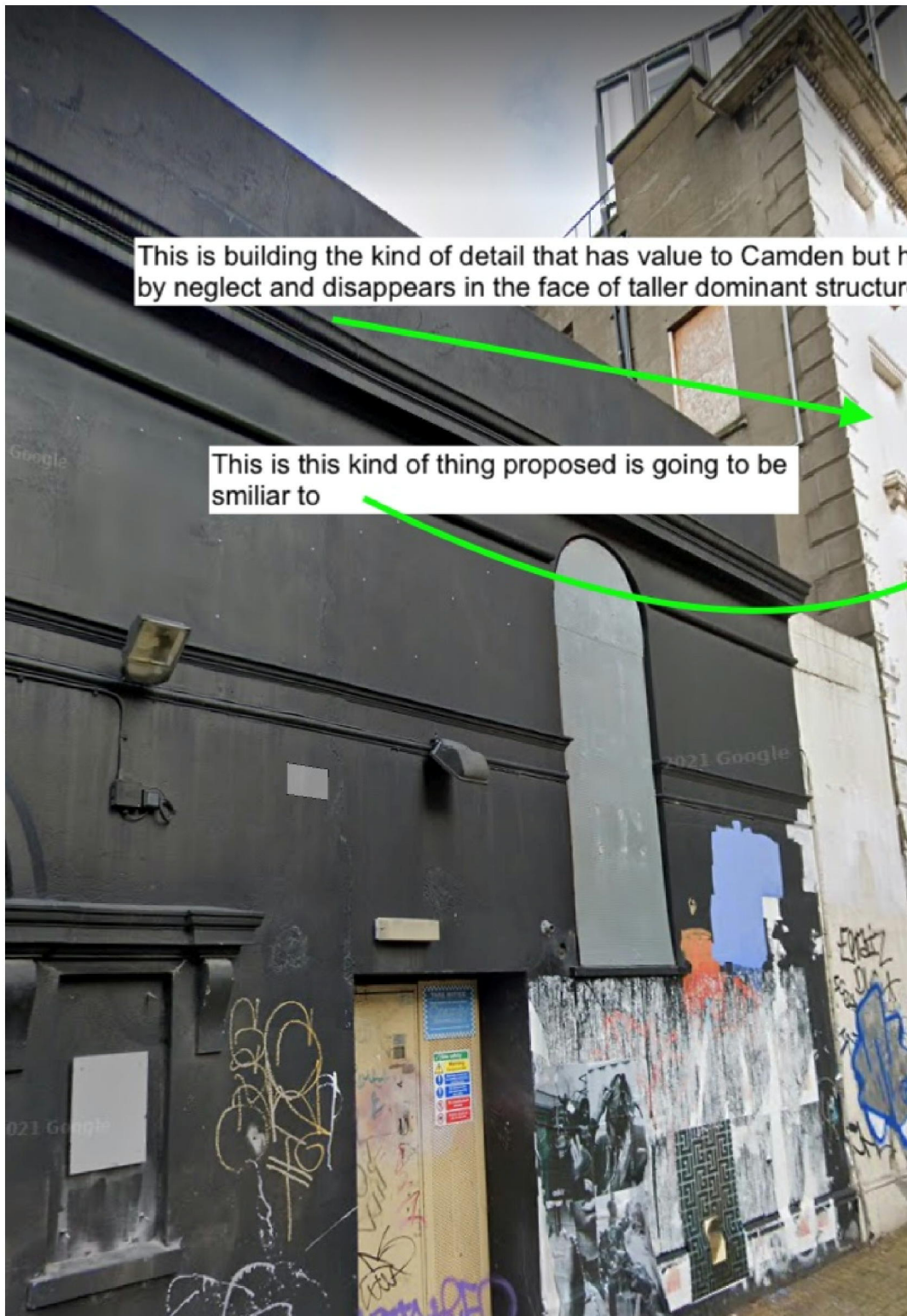
(sorry left out a pic on previous)
Dear Councillor Gould

I know you are busy but please take a quick look at these buildings that are going to be compromised and demolished by LabTech's proposals. They are buildings that are characteristic of the area and of London. They have become invisible because of planning permissions of the past. They should be under Camden's stewardship. They have been left to degrade. Please save them and save the character of Camden/London. The buildings below, if maintained could look great and could be great advertisements of the, at the moment, varied and special nature of the area. Please protect them and, for the responsibility of owning a key central London site, insist on their maintenance before they completely disappear under the weight of development proposed. If owners don't want to maintain them they should give them back. These areas are increasingly vulnerable - unique - they should not be strong-armed out.

They are the true capital of the area. They are being sacrificed under the banner of the need for housing. If Camden needs more housing, many more houses could be put in the car park and Travelodge sites where the existing buildings are ugly and add nothing to the character of the area.

Please see pics below of buildings that are threatened by the proposals of LabTech.





This is building the kind of detail that has value to Camden but has been lost by neglect and disappears in the face of taller dominant structures

This is this kind of thing proposed is going to be similar to



LabTech/TeddySagi is/ are taking advantage of the ugliness of existing Travelodge and Car Park buildings and using their unpopularity as an excuse to build a tower block. This tower block will provide a precedent for other tower blocks. High rise is not modern any more it is just opportunist and profit-maximising

At the same LabTech is cynically using fine modest heritage buildings on West Central Street (above) to site the 12 units (a microscopic % of entire scheme) of affordable housing. The proposals are to demolish and tamper with the others.

- Why can't the housing be built on the ugly Travelodge and Car Park sites instead of demolishing fine compatible buildings?

High rise are popping up all over London. The USP of Camden should be the fact that it isn't yet pock-marked by high rise.

Please

- protect Camden's vulnerable USP
- only allow modern, horizontal, small gems of buildings (Coal Drops Yard for example) rather than architectural billboards which celebrate themselves, the developers and the architectural practice

With best wishes

Catherine Harrison (lover of London's heritage and modern developments that integrate and don't dominate)