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Dear Sir

2021/2954/P One Museum Street

I wish to re-state my objections to the current application to develop the Old Travelodge building on the corner of Museum Street and High Holborn. I am a Camden resident and live close to this site. My principal objections to the application are that this proposal is too big, being almost exclusively devoted to greater provision of offices and ignores the desperate housing need in this area, and all over this city.

When one stands on the corner of Museum Street and High Holborn and imagines the possible inventive and creative uses for this site, one can only be flabbergasted at the unsightly office behemoth that is being proposed.

Camden's own standard is that applications in this area should 'provide a visionary sustainable mixed-use development including a very significant quantity of new residential accommodation.' That represents good sense, and Camden should follow their own advice.

The members of the planning committee will be fully aware of the acute shortage of suitable and affordable housing both locally and nationally. It would be crazy for our public representatives to stand by and allow this plan for such a shoddy ill-thought commercial redevelopment.

Yours sincerely,

James Tait