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Subject: FW: Planning application 2021/3839/P

objection to 2021/3839/P

From: Muriel Hall <

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To: Kate Henry < Kate. Henry@camden.gov.uk > Subject: Planning application 2021/3839/P

Dear Kate

HOWITT CLOSE

I write to register my objections to the proposal to add a third floor consisting of seven flats.

Howitt Close is a distinctive art deco building of some historic significance, sharing some of the characteristics of the the more famous Isokon building. It was carefully planned to fit into the space it occupies, and the flat roof, far from giving it an 'unfinished' aspect, is a deliberate part of this, and characteristic of its time. Adding a storey in a conservation area cannot be justified on the grounds of 'improving' the original design.

It was designed as a building of small units. The proposed plan puts seven flats on the new floor in space occupied on the other floors by fourteen. This flies in the face of the current need for affordable housing.

I lived in Howitt Close for some years and enjoyed its quiet. The proposed works would be appalling for leaseholders and tenants, many of whom are in the building all day, whether because they are retired from work or because they are working at home, and there would be major disruption for residents close by. Only the freeholder would benefit from such a scheme.

Regards,

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