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Subject: objection

I would like to strongly object to the latest version of the Murphy's Yard proposal. I am supporteive of the development overall, however, three aspects would significantly impact local residents, harming their well-being and are easily rectified. Some of the negative aspects have been added following the consultation, which is not fair and raises serious questions about the integrity of the process and how much local residents views and wellbeing is being accounted for.

1. Access to the development via Gordon House Rd.

HGVs disturb sleep and work in the immediate area. There has to be a specific plan to address this.

2. A very tall building (Q) blocking the light to surrounding streets and gardens.

Q seems to have been added since the last consultation which doesn't seem right after such extensive and positive engagement with the community before that. In addition to ruining the views from Parliament Hill, this would block sun to most of Gordon House Road, as well as give sight directly into the gardens and rear windows there. The use of gardens to catch some daylight significantly improves the well-being of the many people living on Gordon House road. If gardens on have sunlight blocked and feel overlooked, that would be a bad outcome.

Earlier iterations of the designs were more sensitive, had limited tall buildings done slightly more unobtrusively and plenty of green space. This seems to have gone backwards following consultation and has made me lose some confidence that the consultation was done in good faith.

3. The view from Kentish town station. This is perhaps THE iconic visual identity of Kentish Town as a local area. It means a lot to the community. Ruining this vista is unnecessary and will harm Kentish town as a community and place.

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