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I am writing to express my concern at the scale and density of the **Murphy's Yard Development.** This is obviously a very important site and its redevelopment presents a once in a lifetime opportunity to provide a really attractive mixed urban environment. I regret that from what I have seen of the development plans it singularly fails to meet that test.

The proposals under review may maximise the financial value of the site but they do so without taking into consideration the excessive density of the development or the scale of the buildings so close to Hampstead Heath, a feature of a number of planning policies and local plans. To preserve the distant views from the Heath, which are an essential feature of the enjoyment of the Heath, I suggest that the height of the buildings should be limited to five or six storeys at most; otherwise the views from the Heath will be seriously compromised.

I also suggest that the density of the site should be reduced so that there is room for sufficient open space on the site for the residents and also for a proper 'green way' to the Heath from Kentish Town Station.

Only with these recommended changes will our current local councillors be able to look back on contributing a civilised and life-enhancing addition to the Borough. This is a unique test of their judgement.

Regards

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