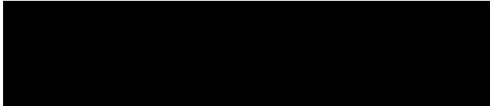


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As a member of the Heath & Hampstead Society, I wish to express my concerns on the proposals planned for the Murphy site. Principally its density & scale of some of tallest the buildings.

To illustrate the issue of height I have attached some photos which I took in the field just behind the Lido & a bit further above, below the level of the Bandstand.

The most incongruous building is the Bacton Tower that's 22 storeys. Close to it & the Murphy site is Barrington Court that's 11 storeys. Looking westwards there are two distinct blocks in Fleet Road, both of these are 15 storeys. Then there is the Royal Free which is quite a lump, with poplar trees seen in the foreground that lessen's its presence. Turning East/NE the Archway tower called Vantage Point is clearly visible, this is 17 storeys.

The Murphy site as far as I can establish from the Gospel Oak entrance & also viewed from the train on the Barking line, rises from Gordon Ho Rd approximately halfway into the site & then falls towards Kentish Town.
The aerial diagram that I have shows the tallest buildings on the highest part of the site - this can't be right !
They should be on the lowest ground that is the furthest distance from the Heath.

To summarise, I would suggest that the site density is reduced & the highest buildings limited to 10 storeys & the site planned to include green spaces with many trees.

Yours sincerely,

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