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It has been drawn to my attention that there is an application for a huge development on the Murphy's Yard site in Kentish Town.

As someone who lived in Camden for many years, and will always treasure the Heath, I can only object to such a large development for the following reasons:

Very tall buildings will obstruct the views from Parliament Hill and leading up to it. I understand that there are long standing plans that development must not harm the openness of the heath and the views. They should be honoured not just for those of us who use the Heath regularly but for those who visit from other parts of London.

You should insist that blocks of flats are much smaller, and certainly not tall so that they do not obscure the view.

Such a huge development would surely put stress on the locality in terms of shops and transport, the use of the Heath and the Lido, schools and the medical centres as well as the Royal Free Hospital. So insist on the numbers that can be living and working there being considerably reduced.

You will surely insist on a percentage of truly affordable housing.

I am astonished that there is any need now for office space, And they propose " industrial" among all those blocks of flats??

It seems that there are no measures for green spaces amongst this huge development. I urge you to insist that there are green spaces for people to use to sit and play within the development.

This should be for the comfort and happiness of the people who live and work there but also to preserve the Parliament Hill Fields part of the Heath. We have seen how the huge numbers of visitors who visited during lockdown have caused damage to the Heath. They came as they could not go out of London. They, and also We, came. With a huge development there will be thousands more people needing space and green and it will be thousands crossing the road and joining us on our beloved heath.

Visitors to the Heath are welcome. It is London's lungs too. The development of Murphy's Yard is inevitable but I urge you to limit it's size considerably.

Yours faithfully,
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