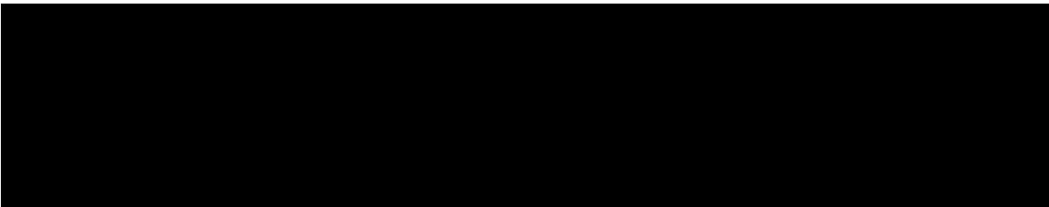

From: Patrick Marfleet
Sent: 13 June 2022 10:28
To: Planning Planning
Subject: FW: 2022/2019/P : Camden Highline Land between Kentish Town Road and Royal College Street including Camden Gardens and 223 Royal College Street and Camden Road Railway Station Camden Road London NW1 9LS

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Patrick Marfleet
Senior Planning Officer



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Dear Patrick,

I am writing as a [REDACTED] resident in regard to the above.

In theory, I have no objection to the idea of a green space/park along the unused section of the railway line. However, I was appalled to note the intention to build events spaces and a stage as part of the proposal.

I live in Ivor Street and love how quiet it is. We already have a certain amount of noise that drifts over from music played at the new development in Hawley Wharf which is bearable but to have an events/music area literally metres across the road would be another matter entirely. We already have to contend with noisy antisocial behaviour from people drinking under the railway arch. Your proposal to include an events area in the highline park would only add to this. Even limiting after-hours events to 10 per year would create nearly one per month, not to mention unlimited events taking place during park hours. It is unacceptable to inflict this on people living only metres away.

In addition, I note that there are no toilet facilities and if you are holding events, with alcohol especially, people will not walk all the way over to Hawley Wharf to use the toilets which means people will most likely relieve themselves over the side into residents gardens. Again this is totally unacceptable.

What are the provisions for security? And how will this be funded? There seems to be a shortfall in the business model so I don't understand how costs will be covered nor the project taken beyond stage 1, in which case the rest of the project won't be completed and we risk just having crowds congregating in our neighbourhood and causing a disturbance for local residents.

One of your revenue proposal is to hire the location for filming but this is extremely disruptive and plans to use this to fund the highline would have a hugely negative impact on the local area in terms of access and parking. Furthermore, if there is any intention to film at night the lighting alone that is required would be extremely disruptive for residents in terms of light and noise from generators.

You also propose viewing areas but these would give people a direct view into residents houses which is unacceptable.

I know that part of the aim is to generate a green area, but please be aware that there is currently a substantial amount of greenery and wildlife already there. Creating the park will surely remove these unnecessarily.

Therefore, I must object to your proposal unless you agree to the following conditions:

- No events to be allowed on the highline or Camden Gardens at any time
- Area for events space to become planting
- No paths to within 2.5m of the parapet wall to avoid overlooking residential properties
- Highline to be a controlled drinking zone
- No TENS licence for events or alcohol to be allowed at any time
- Filming to be restricted to two separate companies and for a maximum of 6 days per year in total
- If approved phase 1 works not to commence until all funding for phase 2 & 3 are in place and annual maintenance funding is in place
- Park to close at dusk and open at dawn
- Police to confirm they will patrol the park re anti-social behaviour, drug dealing, illegal drinking etc
- No balcony to overlook Prowse Place as it looks into residential properties
- Review of access stair design to ensure the Highline is inaccessible when closed.
- All existing wild planting to be assessed for extraction and replanting when construction is complete to retain existing wildflowers
- No construction to take place when wildlife might be disturbed or harmed

Yours sincerely

Melanie Hill