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Dear Planning Team,

I wish to object in the strongest terms to the planning application for the development and specifically the routing of lorries on lambs conduit st and Great Ormond St.

More broadly I believe there must be a review of what planning priorities in Camden aim to achieve. The entire local business model has altered after Covid. Local business and landlords can no longer rely solely on volume of office workers as business vie for office space. There are quite clearly empty units across the borough. Certain areas are affected slightly less because they have a. Local customers and/ or b. Physical Charm and charming local businesses which draw companies or domestic renters/buyers to the area.

The Current mantra of 'build, build, build' may not be the best way to meet the Councils Strategic planning goals and drive up income?

Is there's an opportunity to reassess approach and protect Lambs Conduit Street as a commercial hub, attracting both domestic and commercial renters to the area? Will the council publish its cost/ benefit assessment?

Furthermore there will undoubtedly be a severe loss of light and privacy for a very large number of local people.

I'm disabled, I rely on Lambs Conduit Street to access my GP surgery and pharmacist. It's not only my social hub but somewhere I can physically access without concern. I'm highly aware that this is the case for many older and disabled residents. If this safe spacious pedestrian access were taken from me it would put me at great risk both mentally and physically.

Road safety across the wider Holborn area is also a concern, given that this development will undoubtedly increase pressure on other routes.

Finally I'd also like to see an environmental impact assessment. We know that tackling pollution and climate change is a Strategic aim of the council. I fail to see how a very large, concrete and steel build in the area supports this?

Whilst clear GOSH is an incredibly important resource there's further questions regarding their strategy. Is central London the right area for its expansion? Is central London in-fact adding to the stress of travel and costs for parents of very ill children? How many beds/ medical services does this add vs 'nice to have' elements?

Thank you for taking time to look at my objection.

Kind Regards,

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