

Subject:

Planning application 2022/2255/P OBJECTION

Dear Planning,

Please add my very strong objection to the Great Ormond Street Hospital planning application (2022/2255/P) to all of the many other comments you have received.

I am a long term resident of Rugby Street, one street away from the proposed development site, proposed access streets and proposed new building.

I wish to echo all of these reasons for objection made by Alec Forshaw (comment dated 22 June 09.10)

- *harm to heritage assets by reason of excessive height, bulk and massing*
- *harm to local townscape by reason of overwhelming scale and poor detailed design*
- *harm to residential amenity by reason of severe loss of daylight to habitable rooms of nearby properties*
- *sustainability by reason of failing to re-use existing structures*
- *loss of trees*
- *failure to provide improvements to the public realm*
- *unacceptable land use by reason of new cafe and retail which will compete with existing provision in the immediate area*
- *excessive and unacceptable harm during construction by reason of disruption, noise, vibration and pollution for local residents and businesses, together with danger to pedestrians and cyclists.*

As for 'community consultation', other than a small residents' liaison group (which I read have been involved and many thanks to them), there appears to have been NO consultation with the vast majority of us who will be hugely affected by the plans during the absurdly lengthy development phase and then having to live with the result. I found out about these plans only by seeing a poster (not from GOSH obviously) in a shop window a few weeks ago.

Surely there comes a time when a community cannot be required to absorb and live with overdevelopment of the site (opened in 1852 with 10 beds) and the time comes when GOSH needs to accept that they cannot host *all* of their activities in their original site.

Thank you
Catherine Hill