From: Patrick Marfleet
Sent: 10 August 2022 10:32
To: Planning Planning
Subject: FW: Procedural concern re Application 2022/2255

Please upload to the above

Patrick Marfleet
Principal Planning Officer

[redacted]

Subject: Re: Procedural concern re Application 2022/2255

Patrick/Camden Planning.

I am planning to send the following objection forward, but given it makes criticism of the Planning Department, felt it was right that I gave you the opportunity to respond first, before formally sending it.

Rob

/// DRAFT OBJECTION ///

Dear Patrick,

FAO Planning re: Application 2022/2255

On behalf of the local residents and business owners we represent, please add the below objection to the file.

Please consider this email a formal objection.

I am writing on behalf of the Great Ormond Street Group of residents and local businesses to object on the basis that a very large number of objections submitted to Camden have simply "disappeared".

I have been in correspondence with Patrick Marfleet at Camden to point out, at a minimum, that the following objections have "disappeared" (see his email trail) either temporarily for 4-6 weeks (i.e. only

found when we asked where they had gone repeatedly over 6 weeks), or permanently (never to be seen again):

Yulia Pykhtina
Andrew Sitterman
Ken Daly
Richard Balding
William Morgan

I have at least 10 other residents who objections have been "disappeared".

There are many other objections or objectors whose submissions have also disappeared. We have been asking repeatedly for information on why so many objections have apparently been "disappeared" either permanently or temporarily but are increasingly concerned that Camden offices are ignoring our queries, have intentionally sat on objections, lost them, deleted them, or due to error or other fault, failed to include them in the file. The scale of "disappeared" objections is terribly concerning, given this is supposed to be a democratic process.

How can it be that we ask where an objection is in 14 emails and only after 9 weeks it is admitted the objection will finally be added? How many other objections have been "disappeared" be planning officers?

Given the large number of residents who claim objections have been lost we believe this issue is really material as to whether due process has been adhered to from a planning perspective, and whether a new process should be restarted. It can't be right to make any decisions when residents who have taken the time to make an objection have had their submissions lost, delayed, hidden or otherwise "disappeared". We also worry as to why Camden officers would try to get objections being hidden in this way and repeatedly refuse to address the issue of objections that have been "disappeared".

To be clear, over 85% of the emails I have sent to Camden on this topic have been ignored with absolutely no response whatsoever. Objections that we have focused on have finally emerged after six weeks. Many others have forever been "lost".

I am an award winning entrepreneur, CEO of a major British business, Patron of the Princes Trust, and respected member of the local community but I must say in all my experience of dealing with government I have never experienced such failures from public servants. It makes one wonder whether there is collision in place?

I trust this email will be added to the objections online.

Best,

Rob Lewis