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Dear Development Team,

I am writing in relation to the submitted planning application (ref.2022/3853/P) for Camden Lock Market and the development of new exhibition spaces, 'Dead Dog Basin' and the erection of a temporary observation wheel.

I work and live in Camden, I remember when I took our members to London Eye , how much they enjoyed. I work with older people in Camden and I supports the application as we believe older residents and visitors will be particularly interested in the heritage restoration of Camden Lock Market. A significant cohort of older residents and visitors who may be retired generally have more time to enjoy the exploration of new and interesting heritage projects. The plans to open up the unique old buildings of the East Vaults and 'Dead Dog Basin' spaces to the public and local community for the first time will be an exciting and unique new historic activity for older people to connect them to their local area and interact with younger generation. I see in planning application about the importance of highlighting equality, diversity and inclusion within the exhibition spaces and the temporary observation wheel. Pleased to see that strong consideration has been given to older people with accessibility challenges as outlined . Good to see, it is proposed to ensure there are relevant sloped/ramped surfaces to accommodate the different types of accessible needs including wheelchairs and people with mobility impairments. As mentioned, that temporary observation wheel capsule boarding area would be used to organise additional assistance for visitors with special needs. Can we make sure this will be in place all the time. We need reassurances that wheel should be stopped for wheelchair users and visitors who may have problems boarding. This will help and give confidence to older people. Also make sure there are enough accessible toilets nearby.

I noticed there would be some opportunities for intergenerational activities especially with respect to the development of the East Vaults into exhibition spaces which might attract more family with young children, school trip and offer intergenerational learning opportunities for older people. I remember when we did intergenerational trip to London Eye , transport cost was huge and complexity to take everyone safely was a big task, but if we have something in Camden that would be a great addition.

I think Camden lock will be a must visit place in future with all futuristic investment.
Kind regards
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