Application Number: 2022/3694/P Associated Application Number: 2022/4547/L

Dear Mr Fitzpatrick,

I am writing to lodge an objection to the plans to excavate a basement below the recently demolished garages connected to "The Lodge" (Studio 13) and extending this basement beneath Studio 12, thus creating a large enclave connecting the two studios.

The proposal changes the nature of the historic listed buildings from two artisan studios to one over-large residential unit. In addition, I understand that the demolition of the complete interiors of both houses is contrary to listed building rules and intentions, as it does not protect the buildings at all.

Combining two houses for one family's use doesn't seem appropriate when there is such a shortage of housing in Camden. New building in Camden should provide more housing for residents—this project will result in a net loss of at least one housing unit.

This extensive basement excavation will wreak havoc with local amenities such as electrics, underground water courses, internet connections etc. It will destabilise adjacent houses and set a precedent. It is unsustainable.

The applicants have taken a great deal of time and trouble to try to pressure me and the rest of the neighbourhood into not opposing the application. However, I do strongly oppose it for the reasons given above.

I hope that the Camden Planners will do the right thing and refuse this application.

Yours sincerely,

Your name and address