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To: Planning

Subject: Support for application ref: 2022/2255/P - Great Ormond St Hospital

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing in support of Great Ormond Street Hospital's application (ref: 2022/2255/P) for a new Children's Cancer Centre. It is really important to me that GOSH is able to develop and modernise its facilities so it can continue to provide top quality cancer treatment, in the best environment, allowing for innovation and research to take place easily.

While I appreciate the tightly-packed area of historic central London is not well suited to construction/renovation works, this location has immense value to the sick children and their families who end up there from around the UK and abroad, allowing them access to transport links and visitors, to feel connected and supported in their darkest times. This is something our family knows from our experience while my 1-year-old daughter was in treatment for a brain tumour. The long term benefits and national importance of the hospital surely outweigh the short term inconvenience.

GOSH must continue to build on its traditions and success as a centre of excellence for children's medicine, attracting the best staff from around the world and the alternative - moving new developments away from the long-established Bloomsbury site - would only dilute the unique appeal and effectiveness of this great British institution, one Camden borough must take great pride in.

Please allow me to log my support for the application.

Many thanks

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