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Dear Camden planners,
Concerning building application 2022/5281/P.

Having seen some of the plans and illustrations for the redevelopment of West Kentish Town the state I and my husband are very concerned about some of these plans. It seems that there is a plan for a gross over- development of this area which will both reduce the quality of life for those living there, and put unreasonable stress on the area.

I understand that in the draft site allocations local plan, planners say the site has capacity for 484 extra homes on top of the 316 which now exist. Apparently Camden's plans are proposing a total of 898 homes which would mean an extra 582 homes, which would be 198 flats more than the already suggested capacity of 790 in total. I would like to suggest that all you planners and architects actually think for a moment about the real consequences of this kind of overcrowding on its inhabitants- both physical and mental. The consequence of lack of trees, green spaces, and simply space around and in front of our homes. A good example of this lack of consideration is the new complex in Crogsland road, where flats will be looking out only onto vast blocks in front of them, with no space around them, blocking light and creating overly cramped conditions. Already, in Rhyl Street the rubbish collection services are barely adequate, regularly leaving behind trails of rubbish spilled on to the streets. To have well over double the inhabitants is likely to cause many problems, not least by diminishing the quality of life for the current residents. It may seem a small thing to a planner, but each and every tree or small green space is incredibly important in maintaining a balanced environment to live in. We do not want to lose those small spaces that represent so much more. Please consider living in these very overbuilt conditions yourself- they are quite inhuman.

The other cause for concern is the Council's apparent intention to exclude certain areas from the required Environmental impact assessment.

Including water resources, drainage, light pollution, transport and access, waste and materials, and Geo-environmental. It seems essential that these areas should be assessed for impact. Please take these concerns seriously. They are about real quality of life. Many thanks,
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