

Campion Concerns Monitoring Group

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Cover note for our response to the Try Homes application

[Planning Application:01119/M/P1; Conservation Area Application 01119/M/CA1]

We are pleased to give you a copy of the response of the Campion Concerns Monitoring Group to the Try Homes' application to develop the Campion House site.

Since receiving the application papers we have worked hard to examine the arguments and data used by the developer to support their application. We believe that we have shown both to be seriously deficient.

This has been a team-work effort of a number of residents active in the Campion Concerns group. We have done our best to ensure that our documents are consistent and error-free, but it is inevitable, given the time and the means available to us, that some inconsistencies and errors remain. Even so, we feel confident that our analysis, taken as a whole, will withstand examination. Ultimately, however, that is for the reader of these documents to decide for themselves.

We hope that you agree with us that our papers have identified problems with the application which are sufficiently extensive and sufficiently fundamental that it should be rejected as deeply flawed, out of character with the surrounding housing and incompatible with the Spring Grove Conservation Area and, more specifically, with the surrounding built environment.

While we have aimed for maximum clarity we would, of course, be pleased to answer questions about any points in our papers that are felt to be unclear.

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(For Campion Concerns)

P.S. In the first edition of these papers produced for the Isleworth and Brentford Area Committee we included sample letters of objection written by residents. Around 150 such letters were written. They were not pro-formas but individually written letters in which residents expressed themselves in their own words. We believe that the quantity and the quality of those letters was exceptional and indicated the very high level of concern of local residents. The officers' report to IBAC included 13 pages of quotations from these letters and, assuming that the report to the SDC will do the same, and because of pressure to include responses to new material from the developer we have, with regret, removed the examples of residents' letters that we included for IBAC. If you have the time visit the Planning Department to read some of the letters: we think that you would be struck by the high level of concern and the force of the arguments that you will find in them.