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As a volunteer with WGC100, I am appalled at the scale of this major development. With empathy and understanding of our heritage and identity, I would expect every member of the Council's Planning Committee to see the folly of allowing the proposals before them.

In contrast, the Developers clearly either don't understand, or don't want to understand that the scheme has to integrate with a long established and principled local community and meet guidelines set out in the Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) such as limiting building height to 5 storeys.

The proposed housing density would not be out of place in London Docklands, where our garden city ethos of blending concrete structure with adequate greenery does not apply. These are the wrong structures, of the wrong height, in the wrong place. There is an overproliferation of flats, which fails to address local demand in terms of housing mix, and as ever with scant regard to providing sufficient affordable homes for key workers, whilst ignoring the overburdening this scheme will place on local infrastructure.

In the name and vision of Sir Ebenezer Howard, and one hundred years of garden city living, this destructive and monstrous development must be called out for what it is, an affront to our community, and roundly rejected.

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