

Public Meeting

Chaired by Camden; tell the developer what you think

Tue 27 Jan, 7.00pm,

Emmanuel School (new building), Mill Lane



Latest proposal: 62 homes!!!

GARA AGM

Wed 4 Feb, 7.30pm

West Hampstead Community Centre,
Corner of Dornfell St / Broomsleigh St NW6 1QN

GONDAR AND AGAMEMNON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
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*** NO to Habitat Destruction by Linden Wates developers**

I would like to join GARA. I enclose my 2015 subscription (£5 individual or £10 household).

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Please return this form (cheques payable to GARA) to The GARA Treasurer, 30 Gondar Gardens NW6 1HG

Gondar and Agamemnon Residents' Association

Our aim is to protect and enhance our local environment.

- We have successfully protected the reservoir from development for over ten years.
- We have contributed to the excellent Neighbourhood Development Plan.
- We have provided funding for the Friends of Fortune Green and the Neighbourhood Forum.
- We have worked with the police to help set local priorities and are part of the Safer Neighbourhoods scheme.
- We have supported the policy of keeping retail shops on Mill Lane.
- We have worked with Camden to address issues with fly-tipping, refuse collection, parking and street lighting.

Objections to housing development on the reservoir site

1. The latest proposal is for 62 dwellings in the centre and across the front of the site. It would destroy most of the green space and create two new roads into the site, with junctions on Gondar Gardens.
2. The previous centre scheme (allowed on appeal as "ingenious" but acknowledged by the developer as uneconomic to build) would damage wildlife but preserve views into and across the site. The previous frontage scheme (refused on grounds of poor design, with an appeal pending) would block views into the site but secure 93% of the Open Space as a nature reserve in perpetuity, managed by the London Wildlife Trust.
3. The latest proposal would combine the worst of both schemes with no benefits whatsoever.
4. Any development would contravene Camden's planning policies and the Neighbourhood Development Plan.
5. The site is protected as Open Space and as a Site of Nature Conservation Importance. It is home to Camden's only known population of slow worms; four "red listed" bird species; and other "under threat" species.
6. Previous planning inspectors have confirmed the site's "high environmental value" and that views into and across the site are "a public asset".
7. Any development would eliminate this undisturbed green lung; create noise and light pollution; and add pressures to an area which Camden already describes as suffering from "parking stress".

Come to the public meeting; join GARA; come to our AGM