

## **Gondar Gardens reservoir - planning application submitted, February 2011**

Dear all,

Linden Wates have submitted a planning application for the Gondar Gardens reservoir site.

Here are the headlines ...

- LW's proposal is as per their exhibition in October: 16 houses within the area of the disused reservoir coupled with long-term protection for the undeveloped areas.
- Camden will notify 250+ local residents about the planning application, but only once they have received an Environmental Impact Assessment from LW. We will then have 21 days to respond (GARA will ask for this to be extended).
- LW's documentation is extensive but their basic argument remains unchanged (that their scheme plus funding for affordable housing elsewhere in Camden is sufficient to overcome the Open Space and Site of Nature Conservation Interest policies).
- GARA is seeking professional input on planning, transport, ecology and other parts of the application.
- GARA will hold an EGM on Thursday 3rd March at 7.45pm at the Fortune Green Play Centre. We have invited LW to present their proposals, after which they will leave and we will discuss the way forward.

You can see the planning application at Camden's website:

<http://planningrecords.camden.gov.uk/Northgate/PlanningExplorer17/GeneralSearch.aspx> and search for application number 2011/0395/P (but main documents won't be uploaded until the consultation period starts) or at LW's website [www.formerreservoirgondargardens.co.uk](http://www.formerreservoirgondargardens.co.uk) or via links from our own website [www.gara-westhampstead.co.uk](http://www.gara-westhampstead.co.uk). The key documents to look at are the Design and Access Statement ("Gondar Gardens Reservoir Site - Planning Statement with app", 4.7Mb) and the Planning Statement ("4870-DOC-110124-DESIGNANDACCESSSTATEMENT-PGD-REVE", 3.3Mb),

We'll send out more information when we can. Hope to see you on 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

Finally, please drop off your 2011 subscriptions (£5 individual or £10 household, cheques payable to GARA) to Sam Dawes at 12 Agamemnon Road or Christine McCormick at 42 Gondar Gardens.