

Haddo House – 9th May 2020 (submitted)

Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum gives a voice to local people in planning matters. This is a proposal that has caused an unusually high level of opposition amongst the community.

The planning drawings show that the new equipment would be tall and bulky and will affect the clear lines of the building. They are larger than the two turrets that help to characterise the building and protrude noticeably above them.

Approving this application would be counter to the policies in the made Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Plan.

Policy DC1(a) introduces five special views that must be protected. View 2 is of from Chetwynd Road down towards Highgate Road, with Haddo House at the centre. The description in Appendix 1 states that *“any development would be expected ... not to intrude into the skyline created by the view of Haddo House”*.

Appendix 2 of the Plan includes Haddo House as an *“Additional Heritage Asset”*, describing it as *“a fine example of a mid-1960s development of Council housing, with unusual features that give it distinctiveness and flair”*. Appendix 2 links to Policy DC2(d), which seeks to *“preserve or enhance the Dartmouth Park Conservation Area, historic buildings and buildings of architectural merit and their settings, by ... in the case of development affecting any of the locally listed and other heritage assets identified in Appendix 2, or their settings, only permitting development that is designed to a high standard”*.

As a made (adopted) Neighbourhood Plan, these policies form part of the Camden Local Plan and have equal weight to other Local Plan policies.