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Stroud Green Conservation Area Advisory Committee wishes to comment on the Site Allocations DPD as follows:

S5 (Finsbury Park Bowling Alley) (Rowans):

We have no objections to the principle of residential development, but we think it is essential that any development is fully integrated with the Finsbury Park Town Centre proposals. We believe it is very important to create a properly designed 'town centre'.

We note that the DPD mentions 'approriate reprovision of community facilties' (ie, to replace the loss of the bowling alley) but we believe that any residential development must also allow for additional educational and health provision (neither of which are mentioned).

The relationship and impact on the Park itself is crucial; views in and out of the park must be protected.

S6 (Finsbury Park and Stroud Green Road) (Network Rail site)

We have no objections to the principle of residential development, but we think it is essential that any development is fully integrated with the Finsbury Park Town Centre proposals.

High rise residential would probably be detrimental to existing housing along Woodstock Road, and a cap on heights is needed to bring the scale down to that of the Victorian housing. Any residential development must allow for additional educational, recreational and health provision (none of which are mentioned).

Retail and commercial development (unless very small scale) would increase traffic congestion on Stroud Green Road, which is already over-crowded.

Yours faithfully Quentin Pickard, chair, SGCAAC

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