

RE: TRACT deputation request to 28 February 2024 to Cabinet

Co-signatories:

1. Kentish Town Road Action
2. Delancey Street Residents Association
3. Gloucester Crescent, Regents Park Terrace, Inverness Street and Oval Road Residents Association
4. Harmood, Clarence, Hartland Residents Association
5. Cresta House Residents Association
6. Brenda Gardner CCA
7. Camden Square Neighbourhood Association
8. Bonny Street RA
9. Mornington District Association
10. Jeffreys Street CAAC
11. Inkerman Area Residents Association
12. Primrose Hill RA

My name is Kate Gemmell, and I am chair of TRACT (Tenants and Residents Associations Camden Town) and I am also representing the views of the residents' groups who are co-signatories. This deputation is regarding agenda item 10: CAMDEN EVENING AND NIGHT-TIME ECONOMY REPORT (SC/2024/02).

In reaching out to TRA's borough wide we have not found any who were aware of the proposed Evening & Night-time Strategy. I have currently 30 residents' groups from who knew nothing about this.

TRACT represent Camden Town residents which is in a cumulative impact area with huge numbers of visitors during the day and night. There is excessive noise day and night as well as crime and other issues such as vomit, urine, defecation, and detritus from fast food outlets. (ref attached images).

Even though we are in a cumulative impact area a huge number of new licences have been approved and other extended to later-hours.

Residents would like to see a more dynamic and diverse offering in the area with more family friendly options and investment in community spaces for our children and teenagers. This is also clear from the Citizens Assembly.

A much-needed balanced approach has been omitted from this strategy document which, of course, exposes all key stakeholders, particularly residents, to risks that could have been mitigated.

We would like Cabinet to withdraw the document as it currently stands to allow a full review with all key stakeholders in the iterative process recommended by the London Mayor. Once it is agreed by all stakeholders it can be brought back to Cabinet for approval and adoption.

Yours sincerely,



Kate Gemmell
TRACT Chair



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Examples of typical street conditions on a Saturday afternoon.



Plinth used to have planters but vandalised



Empty bottles, graffiti, urine, dirt, drinks spillage – nothing cleaned.



Buck Street is a urinal all day – even with public toilets available in the adjacent market

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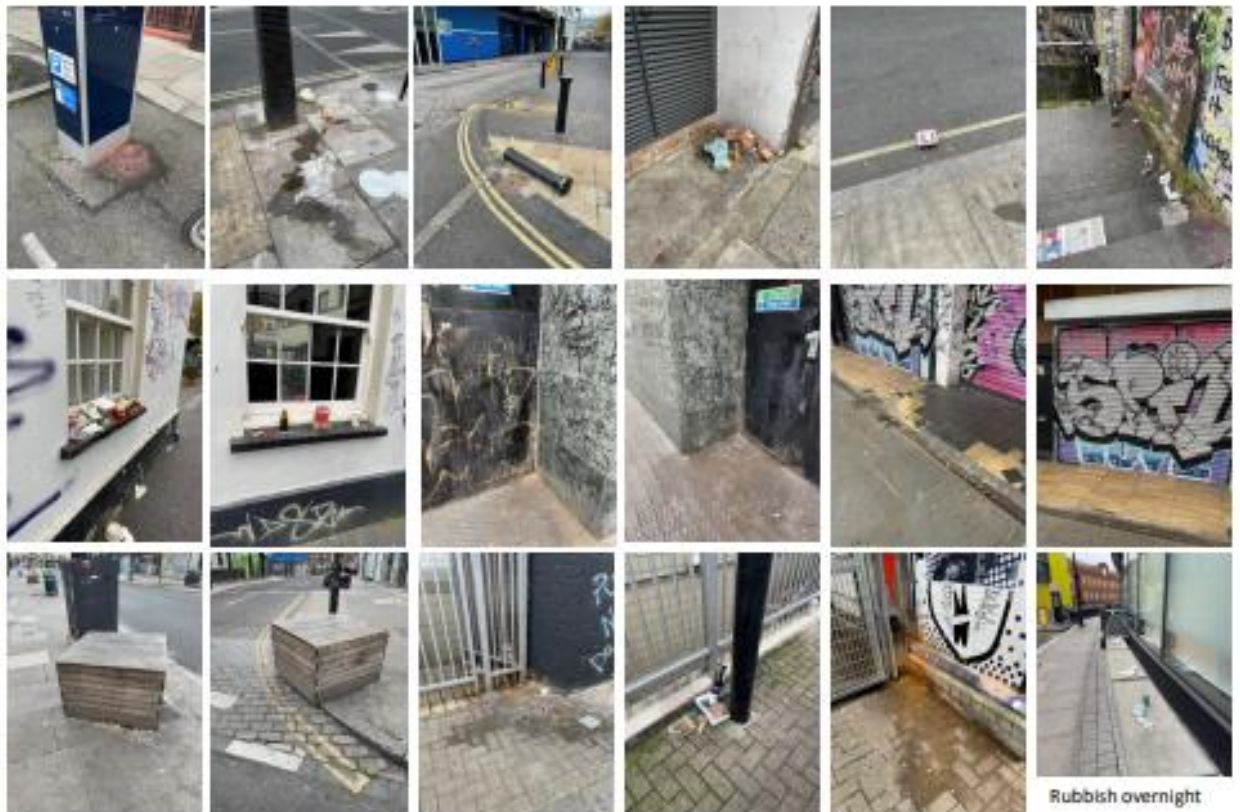


Further damage overnight

Drug dealers

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Rubbish overnight

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Nitrous oxide containers