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The Thorney Island Society were pleased to be consulted about this proposal and we welcome the fact that the scheme will not involve demolition.

We object to the loss of the view of the Victoria Tower from Horseferry Road and Chadwick Street, as well as from the entrance to the Channel 4 building. The DAS (p50) claims that one small part of the tower will still be visible. We believe that this might be true for the third floor extension but that the fourth floor extension would obscure it entirely. The removal of one bay of accommodation at the southern end of the fourth floor level would prevent this. We suggest that this loss would be worth it.

In other respects we welcome the proposal in respect of the consented change of use from commercial to residential. We also welcome the fact that so many units are Studios, although we question whether the access to the mezzanine bedrooms is suitable for any but the agile. We are disappointed that the housing mix allows for there to be no requirement for affordable units among the nine units covered by this application.

Another matter is that of management: given the fact that the developer is “seeking to create a building which is home to a community”, we would be interested to know whether they intend to issue tripartite leases to create a residents’ management company (RMC) in order to give the future residents control over how their building is managed?