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Property deal protest

INFLUENTIAL Labour leaders today joined the campaign to stop an "offices for homes" deal between the Labour-controlled Camden Council and property developer Mr Joe Levy.

Opponents of the deal maintain that Mr Levy's Stock Conversion and Investment Trust will make £20 million profit out of redeveloping 11 acres around Tolmers Square, Euston, in co-operation with Camden.

Under the deal, Mr Levy would get planning permission for offices and other profitable commercial development in return for providing land cheaply for council housing.

Today, Mr Iltyd Harrington, deputy leader of the Labour-

controlled GLC, said: "The people of London have had enough of the violation of their city by developers. Mr Levy and his friends have acted perfectly legitimately in the society in which we live—but he must realise planning must be taken out of their hands if the city is going to have any life at all."

Also supporting the campaign to stop the deal are Labour Shadow Housing Minister Mr Reg Freeson and Mr Paddy O'Connor, GLC Chief Whip, and Camden councillor.

Train at Walton

A NEW management training centre for London Transport is planned for Flag Staff House at Walton-on-Thames.

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SET UP PANEL TO STOP LAND SPECULATORS—MP

SHADOW MINISTER for Housing Mr. Reg Freeson said today a new commission composed of the GLC and local councils should be set up to stop speculative development.

Mr. Freeson was speaking at a meeting of the "stop-the-Levy-deal campaign," at Tolmer Square, Camden.

Camden council has recently approved a £40-million office block deal at Tolmer Square with Levy's Stock Conversion Co. in return for cheap land for housing.

The council would receive £4 million profit, but the Stock Conversion Co. will make an estimated £20 million.

Angry residents engaged a non-profit organisation, Claudius Properties, which made an identical offer to the council but they said they would give back the £20-million profit. The council refused and approved the Levy deal.