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Dear Sir/Madam,

We write with reference to a building application submitted for creation of an additional (3rd) floor at Numbers 8 and 9 Pratt Mews (reference 2023/0446/P).

We would like to express our profound objection to this proposal, in the strongest possible terms. We are aware that fellow owners and occupants of 1-6 Pratt Mews share these concerns and some will have written to you.

The proposed additional floor would block out light in a small and built-up mews. We would lose most of the daylight we currently receive in our flat. In the post-Covid era many of us work from home. Having some daylight come into our homes is crucial for our physical and mental well-being (and we say that as doctors ourselves). The mews will become a dark, narrow canyon if this building goes ahead.

We live within a conservation area and we would urge that you consider the impact this new development will have on what is already a crowded neighbourhood. Our tiny mews has a mix of residences, shops, business offices, a church, a music school, and a food bank among other things. It is already very busy and at times even emergency access proves difficult. Overdevelopment will make the place unliveable.

There will also be a loss of privacy specifically for us with the proposed new flats looking directly in on us from above.

We would strongly urge that you take these concerns into account when adjudicating on this building application. We would also ask that you acknowledge receipt of this e-mail, and that you keep us informed of the outcome of this application.

Yours sincerely,

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