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Design and Access Statement 15 Lady Margaret Road, NW5 2NG

1.0 Introduction	This application seeks planning consent for the demolition of the existing rear extension and the creation of a new rear elevation through the alteration of existing walls and installation of new glazing and associated works at no.15 Lady Margaret Road, NW5.
	This application seeks to alter some of the works approved under application 2023/0110/P.
2.0 Site	The property sits in the centre of the Kentish Town Conservation Area and diagonally across the road from the Grade II listed Catholic Church of Our Lady Help. The general character of the immediate area is residential.
	The existing property is an end of terrace, four storey late Victorian townhouse with two existing garage structures located to the end of the garden. The existing house has a debilitated single-storey rear extension and roof terrace in need of refurbishment.
3.0 Planning history	April 2023 - 2023/0110/P Erection of single storey rear extension and garage following removal of existing rear extension and garages and external alterations. Application permitted
	Nov 2021 - 2021/4035/CP Erection of two front dormer windows and a rear dormer: installation of rear roof light; raising of rear outrigger parapet by 300mm. Application permitted
	May 2015 - 2015/3005/T Intended works to trees. Application No Objections
	July 2015 - 2015/2404/T Intended works to trees. Application No Objections
	Relevant neighbouring applications:
	Nov 2021 - 2021/5808/P Erection of a single storey rear extension and front porch Application permitted
	Apr 2019 - 2019/1610/P Erection of rear extension, and front porch, demolition of existing rear conservatory Application permitted



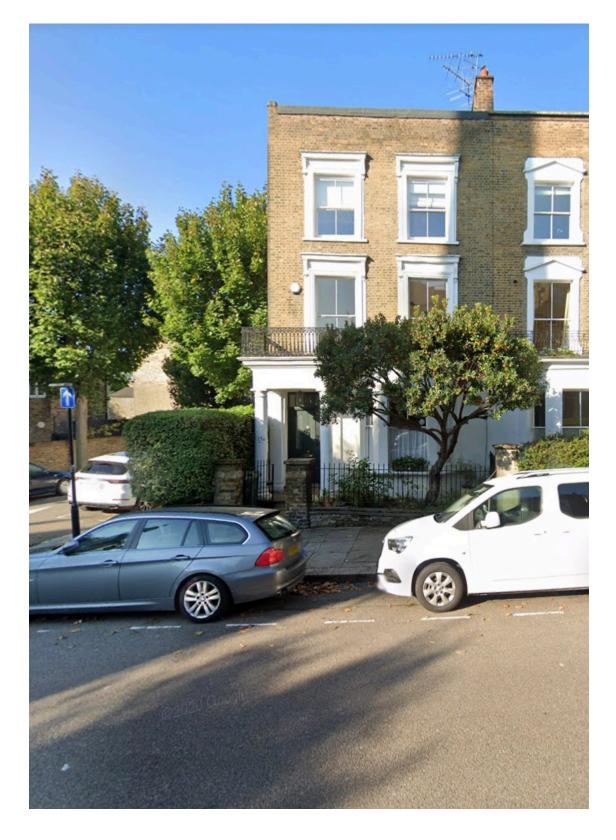
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4.0 Planning policy	National Planning Policy Framework (published 2012, updated 2019) London Plan 2016
	Camden Local Plan 2017 (2021) LP1 Design Quality and Local Character LP2 Development and Amenity LP4 Non Designated Heritage Assets LP6 Archaeology LP16 Housing design CC3 Water and Flooding
	Kentish Town Conservation Area Appraisal London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017 (D1 and D2) Home Improvements – Camden Planning Guidance – January 2021 Camden Planning Guidance: Biodiversity – March 2018
5.0 Planning policy	The property is located in Kentish Town Conservation Area and is not listed. It is a good and well proportioned example of a Victorian terraced house but the existing extension. The proposed will be built using high quality materials and detailing that is sympathetic to a building of the period.



OS site map showing 15 Lady Margaret Road

6.0 Proposed Works	This application seeks to alter some of the works approved under application 2023/0110/P.
	Works still include the proposal to demolish the existing debilitated single- storey rear extension but then create a new rear elevation by adapting the existing walls. We are no longer proposing a rear extension.
	Works to replace the existing timber roof deck are also still proposed with a new walk-on roof light. The size and location and been adjusted to let natural light deep into the open plan family kitchen/dining space.
	The new rear elevation has been designed to be paired back with simple architectural detailing. The proposed external materials are a palette of brick with stone detailing and metal frame glazed doors.
	The new rear elevation design features simple architectural detailing, with a palette of brick, stone and metal frame glazed doors and windows. The proposal will reduce the amount of glazing on the rear facade and increase garden space. Pulling back the building line to match the original outrigger is also a more sympathetic approach to the existing building and conservation area.
	The proposed works on the ground interior have also been adjusted to minimize development and reuse the existing space, wherever possible while improving the area to create a more adaptable family home.
7.0 Access	Unchanged
8.0 Conclusion	The proposal is to demolish the existing full-width extension and to adapt the existing walls to create a new rear elevation with new metal framed glazing. The proposal is sympathetic to the historical fabric and form of the original building and has no detrimental effect on the building or surroundings.



Street view of 15 Lady Margaret Road, NW5 2NG

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