

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2022/5586/P	Jayne Rowe	09/07/2023 21:16:17	NOBJ	<p>Very pleased to read that there is a plan finally to remove the 'temporary' (been there for about a decade) boilers from the pavement.</p> <p>Since a visit on 6.5.2016. when Derek Wells came to my house for a meeting with 2 neighbours, it has taken over 7 years for potential action to be taken. He informed us that the original replacement boiler was purchased from Germany, but it didn't work, and was either considered to have been defective, damaged in transit or incorrectly installed, and that until which one of those options was ascertained, it was put in storage to be determined. He told us there would be 8 smaller modular boilers on frames back to back which would fit into the existing space and that 2-3 boilers would be operational at any one time. He estimated it would take 3 months for instructions to be given for the works to be done.</p> <p>At a meeting at the HLE Community Centre a couple of years later, Cllr Sally Gimson, called by to check the sound emitted by the boilers, and said half way along Makepeace Avenue "that is a plane, not the boilers", so she was extremely surprised to acknowledge, on turning into Swain's Lane, that it was in fact the sound coming from the 'temporary' boilers.</p> <p>The flues have since been turned in the direction of the cemetery, whose residents are unaffected by the noise. However, in the entire time the 'temporary' boilers have been on the pavement, I have had to keep all the windows closed at the front of my house, because the noise is unbearable, particularly at night.</p> <p>Since the hire charges for the 'temporary' boilers must now be in excess of £1m, presumably paid for by Camden's Council Tax payers, I hope there has been a substantial revenue from Savill's for using the hoarding for advertising. Has it?</p> <p>The boilers and hoarding have been an unsightly obstacle on the pavement for so long, encouraging graffiti, litter and fly-tipping, it will be a huge improvement if and when they are removed and the fencing/gates to the boiler room space are replaced. Removal of the rubbish inside the space will be a massive improvement too, though visible only by a few residents.</p> <p>Glad the plans are to make the housing of the pipes smaller and to fit in aesthetically with the flats. Perhaps you can confirm the sound emitted from the boilers/flues will not be anything like as loud as it is now, and not vibrate through the residential buildings?</p> <p>I would appreciate a meeting with you, my immediate neighbours and anyone living in the nearby houses and flats affected by the works/potential noise, to give you the opportunity of putting our minds at rest that we will not be adversely affected by your proposals. Any chance that could be arranged?</p>