

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2023/3353/P	James Burcke	27/08/2023 18:59:45	OBJ	<p>I, of course, object to this proposal as I live at Flat 2, 4 St Augustine's Road (commonly known as 'Belvedere House'), a ten-flat building which includes flats that have been purchased from the property's Freeholder. This application seeks approval of the destruction of the wall surrounding the communal garden of 4 St Augustine's Road.</p> <p>I wish to make the following points:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. As a flat owner/resident of 4 St Augustine's Road, whose boundary wall will be destroyed as a result of this application, I would have expected that the applicant would have engaged in consultation with me and fellow residents prior to the application. As far as I know, this has not happened. It is rumoured that Network Rail has advised the Freeholder of the property of its plans, but he does not actually live at the property. However, ten families do live at the property, and I do not believe that any attempt has been made by the applicant to inform these families of the proposal. I think this is wrong.2. I do not believe that the application includes a proposed date for the reconstruction of the wall nor does it specify when the wall will be rebuilt. Thus, it is unclear for how long a period the wall surrounding the communal garden of 4 St Augustine's Road will be removed.3. The existing wall surrounding the communal garden of 4 St Augustine's Road provides safety and security for the residents of the building. It provides safety in that children of residents can safely play in the garden without any potential disruption, interaction or danger from pedestrians. When the building was marketed to flat owners, it promised that the residents of the building would benefit from a 'private garden'. The wall also provides security as the wall forms a secure barrier between public pavements and not only the communal gardens but the private patios/terraces belonging to the owners of Flats 1 and 2 of the building. Nowhere that I could find in the application does it state what measures will be taken as to providing safety and security for the residents of 4 St Augustine's Road during the period between the destruction of the wall and the reconstruction of the wall. <p>Please note: While a minor issue, I must point out that the application contains the incorrect post code for the property located at 4 St Augustine's Road. It should be NW1 9RQ. The building was assigned a separate post code after it was built.</p>
