

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2023/2757/P	Hero Granger-Taylor	20/09/2023 15:21:40	OBJ	<p>These comments are made on behalf of the Bloomsbury Conservation Area Advisory Committee: we discussed this application at our meeting on 6th September.</p> <p>While we would welcome the return of this externally well-preserved late Georgian house to a single family dwelling, we wish to object to the application strongly.</p> <p>Our principal objection is the proposed rear extension, taking up nearly half of the garden. The proposed 'privacy screens' on either side of this are also objectionable, as they will block light to neighbouring houses. Although photos have been provided showing extensions already added to other houses in the street (though notably not on the house immediately to the SE), these existing extensions may have replaced earlier extensions made before this row of houses was listed. Furthermore, the extension proposed here is not well designed, with a small high-up prison-like window. A second major objection to this application is the blocking up of the door to the exterior at the front of the house at this lower level.</p> <p>The proposed interior planning at lower ground level is poor, consisting of two bedrooms, a bathroom, a large shower room and a separate toilet. The impression given is that the space is intended to be used for airbnb or similar short term renting. The replacement plan also, requires a new opening in the rear exterior wall, replacing the existing french windows.</p>
