

Dear Ms Ryan,

I am 'ccing' councillor James Slater in this email as I met with him to help on this case.

I see that the application 2023/3727/P has been submitted for Certificate of Lawfulness, dated 1/11/23. I assume from the Comments Until date of 07-09-2023 that I am not permitted to comment on the portal, please can you confirm this. If this is the case I ask that my ongoing concerns regarding this application be considered. Those being... The property has a history of being rejected for change of use, the latest being the refusal of the above certificate in 2014 and the C4 class rejected at appeal based on evidence.

The owners state they informed Camden HMO department of their single use intention and the email reply, dated 15/3/21, stated once they moved in they should contact HMO to revoke the licence. Was this done? The application for the extension, 2021/5802/P, first stated 'Conversion of an HMO to a single household dwelling for a family of 6', this was then omitted in a further application, dated 31/5/22 which stated 'Previous use HMO', 'No change of use proposed'. The planning permission for the oversized extension was granted in the belief the property was an HMO if the owners had already stated the property was to become a single dwelling the extension planning application omitting the change of use is 'deliberate concealment'.

I would like to know if the certificate is granted how does this affect the lawfulness of the extension, which is 2.5 meters longer than under permitted development. Would they be obliged to reapply for planning permission for the extension stating the buildings change of use?

Please can you respond to my questions by return email.

Kind regards

Alison Worster

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