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Dear Daren,

The BCAAC objects to the above plans in the strongest terms. This is a Listed Building, subject of an ACV. It has a vital & serious place in the history of the Bloomsbury/Clerkenwell area, being the place where the first London policemen died after being taken there injured in the local up rising. It was also in this building, on the first floor, where the subsequent trial took place & where the accused was acquitted. The BCAAC's objection is not only on historic grounds. Corner buildings of significance in Bloomsbury/ Clerkenwell are often sided by a noble gap which is part of the intended line of the Georgian Architecture. The Calthorpe Arms has such a beautiful gap, with an attached lower original annex of exceptional & rare architecture. This noble gap, (planned destroyed & filled in by the above plans) leads beautifully to the wonderfully preserved & Listed Georgian houses in Wren St. On this original annex one can also see exquisite curved windows, rare & very costly; these curved windows are a rarity in Bloomsbury. The Calthorpe Arms should, without question, be preserved & protected exactly as it is.

Yours sincerely,
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on behalf of the Bloomsbury CAAC