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STATEMENT

Application Site:

Flat A + B, 259 Goldhurst Terrace, London NW6 3EP

Summary

In response to comments made by Camden planning and transport department for application 2024/1488/P - Flat A and B 259 Goldhurst Terrace, Camden for off-street parking for two vehicles for the respective properties.

Comments from the applicant:

The applicant has been documenting the parking situation near the application site (their home) home for the past month, taking daily photographs to provide a comprehensive view. The photos they have taken consistently show that there is always at least one on-street parking space available. Despite the high number of parking permits issued for Goldhurst Terrace, the on-street parking situation is better than anticipated. This is primarily because over 80% of the houses in the area have off-street parking, which significantly reduces the demand for on-street spaces. Their observations over the past month confirm that there is consistently at least one free parking space available.

Contrary to the concerns raised by the traffic planner, the proposed development would require at most the reduction of a single on-street parking space for the drop kerb. In fact, the length needed for the drop kerb is shorter than that of a standard car parking space.

The location of the requested drop kerb is strategically placed at the end of the on-street parking area, minimizing its impact on the overall parking availability. Additionally, this modification would enable us to accommodate two cars in our off-street parking area, effectively exchanging less than one full on-street parking space for two off-street spaces. This trade-off would not only alleviate pressure on on-street parking but also contribute to a more organized and efficient use of space.

In response to environmental concerns, I am committed to preserving the character of the conservation area. The drop kerb installation will be designed to integrate seamlessly with the existing landscape, ensuring minimal disruption to trees,



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hedgerows, and boundary treatments. Furthermore, permeable paving solutions can be employed to mitigate the potential increase in water run-off, thereby addressing drainage system concerns and reducing the risk of surface water flooding.

In conclusion, the proposed development for a drop kerb will have a minimal impact on on-street parking availability, while significantly enhancing off-street parking capacity. This solution will be implemented with careful consideration of the conservation area's character and environmental sustainability. I kindly request that you reconsider the initial refusal and grant approval for this application.