
From: Gary Wong
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To: Planning
Subject: FW: 45 & 51 GREAT ORMOND STREET PLANNING AND LISTED BUILDING CONSENT APPLICATIONS

Dear team,

Please assist to log this email as supporting comments to the below applications:

45 GREAT ORMOND STREET 2024/2442/P & 2024/2535/L
51 GREAT ORMOND STREET 2024/2439/P & 2024/2538/L

Many thanks!

Kind regards,
Gary Wong

From: Alec Forshaw

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Dear Gary Wong,
(cc to Sarah Khan, Cllr Sue Vincent, Cllr Julian Fulbrook, Colette Hatton, Paul Mills)

45 GREAT ORMOND STREET 2024/2442/P & 2024/2535/L
51 GREAT ORMOND STREET 2024/2439/P & 2024/2538/L

Thank you for consulting me, as a next-door neighbour, on the above planning and listed building consent applications. I am extremely supportive of these proposals and sincerely hope that their approval will lead to the long-overdue refurbishment and reoccupation of these historic houses for residential use. They have been empty and neglected for too long by GOSH.

The submitted plans, Design & Access Statement, Heritage Statement and detailed specifications are excellent.

Just a few minor comments/observations which should not be taken as objections.

1. The rear elevation and closet wing of Nos.45 and 51 (and 49) were rebuilt after collateral blast damage in the Second World War. Thanks to the efforts of SPAB, then based at Nos 55-57, the terrace was prioritised

for war damage repairs. While Price & Myers' reports are understandably cautious, it is highly likely that substantial movement occurred as a result of nearby high explosive bombs in 1940/41.

2. The tell-tales on the flank east elevation of No.51, whose ground and first floor brickwork faces Barbon Close, have been there since 1993 when I moved into No.49. Their condition has not altered over that time. The second and third floors of No.49 spanning the Barbon Close archway are supported on this same flank wall and have shown no sign of movement over the last thirty years.

3. I welcome the provision of air-source heat pumps. The close proximity of No.2 Barbon Close whose residential casement windows open outwards onto the upper ground floor terrace of No.45 will require careful consideration. There is also planning permission for new mews houses at the rear of the south side of Great Ormond Street, including at the rear of No.51, but they are further away and probably better screened by the existing boundary walls.

4. The living room of the proposed first floor flat at No.51 is presumably also the bedroom, and should be labelled as such?

5. Internal shutters and shutter boxes should be restored to working order throughout both properties.

6. The Heritage Statement is very good, but worth noting that until the Post Office renumbering in 1885 Nos 45 and 51 Great Ormond Street were actually Nos. 15 and 12.. The original No.45 (where Thurlow lived) was a very grand house on the north side of the street, long since demolished for GOSH, and nothing to do with the existing No,45!

7. Given the specialist nature of the repairs required I hope that Conservation Architects will be retained to oversee the building works on site.

Alec Forshaw