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Dear Mr Wong,

We understand the above planning application 2024/1850/P regarding 18A Frognal Gardens NW3 is before you for approval.

The previous owners of that house were granted planning permission 2020/5214/P which was the subject of great concern in the neighbourhood. It would have required the demolition of the existing house (which is semi detached) and its replacement with an enormous unattractive green tiled structure utterly out of place on the street and with its attached neighbour, complete with a deep basement and large extensions both laterally and vertically. It was generally a deeply unpopular design in the area, and would have caused significant disturbance to local residents during the long building programme, and it would have set a very unfortunate precedent locally for other new buildings. The structure granted permission before also caused serious issues with long standing restrictive building covenants and so relations between close neighbours in the area.

The planning permission currently sought is for a more modest reworking of the property in sympathy with, and without anything like the disturbance and upset, to its attached neighbouring property and the elderly widowed owner who lives there (and has done for decades). We strongly feel the previous application ignored her and her understandable concerns for her property, and also the impact the proposed basement at 18A would have had on other nearby neighbours. The environmental impact of the new application would also be much less than the old permission given it works with the existing structure rather than requiring its total demolition and rebuilding.

The new neighbours have been extremely considerate of everyone nearby and sought to include them in advance of their plans in a way the old neighbours did not. We are supportive of them and their current application but were deeply opposed to and affected by the old permission. We are direct neighbours - 18A Frognal Gardens is at the bottom of our driveway.

Thank you for considering the new application and the views of local neighbours. We hope it will be granted.

Regards,

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