

PLANNING STATEMENT

We are respectfully submitting the attached minor amendment application in order to install an Air Source Heat Pump (ASHP) immediately next to the Stables Annex building at 53-54 Downshire Hill, NW3 1PA, for which we have submitted planning applications (2024/0222/P and 2024/1090/L) that are currently being determined.

The ASHP will be installed in a purpose built enclosure with rubber "feet" to minimise any sound and vibration. We have undertaken a sound engineer test (attached) which indicates the ASHP noise levels would be well within the guidelines set by Camden Council.

The ASHP will be a Mitsubishi Ecodan unit, a state of the art ASHP which will ensure quiet but highly energy efficient operation. The addition of an ASHP to the property will substantially improve energy efficiency, allowing the site to maintain its EPC rating of A.

The addition of an ASHP is consistent with and supported by NPPF, London, Camden and Hampstead Neighbourhood Forum building policies and guidance. Historic England recently revised its policies for ASHP's at listed buildings, giving clear support to the addition of this critically important energy conservation technology. Please see the attached Historic England guidance.