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2024/4384/P	Ian McKinnell	24/10/2024 09:06:24	OBJ	

There are 8 commercial units at street level. Gourmet Sushi was previously a Greggs. Prior to that it was a shop selling fine art materials.

Gregg's planning permission was for 'two air conditioning units and an extract duct at rear basement level in connection with existing use as a retail shop (Class A1). These were inside the shop & not visible from outside and were relatively quiet.

Gourmet Sushi has installed, without permission or consultation, four large air-conditioning units on the external roof and rear retaining wall, close to the windows of many of the residents.

Even the restaurants own noise report admits that 'Noise from the proposed plant installations is in exceedance [sic] of the local authority criteria'

But these noisy units are not 'proposed'; they are already there, they've been making noise 24 hours a day for the past year. This is an unconscionable infliction on the lives of the residents of this building.

Unfortunately Gourmet Sushi have omitted to show a photograph of the current installation of these large and oppressive units. They're very close to the windows of the residents. I can share photographs taken from a window just 2 metres away from the equipment.

This installation is very far from 'in keeping with the character and appearance of the host property of the surroundings'. This plant is attached to a Victorian building and is close to the rear of the 18th century buildings of Old Gloucester Street, including number 44 which is grade 2 listed.

By installing this plant without any consideration of their neighbours Gourmet Sushi have shown contempt to both to their neighbours and to the planning system and proven that the restaurant cannot be trusted. If this plant is allowed then it must have strict operating times - it should not be allowed to operate at night when the residents are trying to sleep. The noise limits must also be carefully monitored and enforced.

I ask that these units can be placed back inside the restaurants own premises & not imposed on the residents, and whether a business that needs so much industrial plant is really suited to a residential building.

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2024/4384/P	Natacha Osorio	23/10/2024 17:16:00	OBJ	<p>I am the director of a small but well-established business located at Bristol House, dedicated to serving our local community of workers and residents.</p> <p>At our practice, we offer Psychotherapy and the Alexander Technique (physical well-being). We provide a safe, serene environment where clients can find respite from the pressures of work and everyday life. Our practice has been part of Bristol House since 1986.</p> <p>Our hours of operation are Monday to Friday, 7:30 AM to 9:30 PM, and Saturday and Sunday, 10 AM to 4 PM.</p> <p>Our premises are directly adjacent to the rear of Gourmet Sushi restaurant. Unfortunately, since the installation of the new units—conducted without planning permission—we have experienced increased noise and heat. Moreover, these units now obstruct our view, protruding in an intrusive manner.</p> <p>The proposed encasement, which I believe contradicts the advice of your own officers, will exacerbate the situation. Not only will the noise and heat continue, but we will also be faced with an even larger and more unsightly structure blocking our view through our windows.</p> <p>On behalf of our clients and the practitioners at Bloomsbury Alexander Centre and Bloomsbury Therapy Centre, I formally object to this proposed development. We respectfully request the reinstatement of the original ventilation and cooling systems used by the previous tenant, Greggs. We also demand that strict hours of operation are imposed as these ventilation systems have been operational day and night since their instalment.</p>