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| 2024/5389/P | Mrs Irene Zalessky | 19/12/2024 19:51:04 | OBJ | I am writing to strongly object to the proposed planning application (Ref. No. 2024/5389/P) for the erection of an additional storey at 47 Ornan Road, which is owned by South Hampstead Synagogue. I have serious concerns about the impact this construction will have on my property and the wider area. |

**1. Structural Concerns**
My first and primary concern is that the building at 47 Ornan Road will not be able to bear the additional weight of an extra storey without significant structural work, including underpinning my property. This could lead to subsidence, causing major long-term damage to my home, and incurring substantial costs to repair. I do not believe that the necessary structural work can be carried out without serious risk to my property.

**2. Damage to My Property and Ongoing Renovations**
Since March 2024, I have been undertaking a complete renovation of the interior of my home. The proposed building works are bound to cause significant disruption and damage to my property, especially considering the proximity of the construction. I am deeply concerned that the noise, vibration, and dust will have a detrimental effect on the quality and safety of the ongoing works in my house.

**3. Loss of Light and Privacy**
The proposed additional storey will inevitably reduce the natural light entering my home, significantly altering the character of the street. The loss of light will impact my daily living conditions and could fundamentally change the ambiance of the area. Furthermore, the additional height will result in an invasion of privacy, as it will allow people in the new storey to overlook my property and garden.

**4. Noise and Disturbance**
The construction work will bring unavoidable noise and disruption, particularly in the initial phases. As an elderly resident, I find the prospect of living through such noise and disturbance highly distressing. The physical toll, combined with the mental stress of living through construction works, will severely affect my well-being.

**5. Shared Driveway and Parking Issues**
My property shares a driveway with 47 Ornan Road, and the proposed building works will interfere with my ability to park my car. This will not only create significant inconvenience, but may also present practical safety and access issues. Additionally, the increase in residents and visitors due to the additional storey will exacerbate parking difficulties, causing congestion in an already limited parking area.

**6. Negative Impact on the Streetscape and Property Values**
Allowing this development will set a dangerous precedent for further upward expansion on Ornan Road, which could lead to a marked deterioration of the street's visual appeal. The leafy, village-like atmosphere of the area is a key part of its charm, and such an intrusive development will harm both the streetscape and, ultimately, the value of properties on the road.

**7. Disruption to My Lifestyle**
As an elderly resident and homeowner, the prospect of living through the disruption of a major construction project is extremely distressing. The builders, dust, and noise will disrupt my daily life and significantly reduce my quality of life. The level of inconvenience and stress caused by this project will be unacceptable.

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In conclusion, I strongly urge the planning department to reject this application. The proposed additional storey will not only harm the structural integrity of my property but will cause irreparable damage to the character of Ornan Road and the well-being of its residents. I sincerely hope that my objections are taken into account, and that the application is not approved.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

I would be obliged if you could confirm receipt of this email.

Yours faithfully,

(Mrs) Irene Zalessky