

For the attention of Obote Hope

I would like to make a response to this application on behalf of the Netherhall Neighbourhood Association (NNA). I'm sorry not to have submitted it by the requested date but I hope it's still in time to be taken into account in assessing the application.

We have no objection to the application and indeed would support it. The proposed design appears to have been sympathetically worked up to integrate well with the neighbouring properties, in particular the listed house at No. 48, and to enhance the characteristics of the conservation area.

The one thing I would like to draw to your attention is the extent of over-development in our small area. It is increasing at an alarming rate. The cumulative impact of so much construction work is putting at risk the health of our residents and the children who attend the many schools in our streets.

This is quite unacceptable. Your own Clean Air Action Plan 2023-2026 highlights the damaging effects of pollutants from construction and the importance of reducing them: see pp 22-25 and 36-38.

Already in this part of Maresfield Gardens, work is starting on an enlarged basement project at No. 50 and on the other side of No. 48, work will shortly begin on a huge housing development between 39a Fitzjohn's Avenue and the land adjacent to No. 46 Maresfield Gardens.

If the application is approved, we would urge Camden to delay construction until the other projects are completed, and to monitor future works so that start dates are carefully staggered.

Kind regards

Jenny White