

## **7 Chalcot Square, Camden, London, NW1 8YB**

### **1.0 Heritage Statement by T. P Hamilton Dipl. Arch (UCL) RIBA**

#### **1.1 Introduction**

I have been in practice for more than 40 years, and have been responsible for the design of alterations and additions to numerous Listed buildings within Westminster. These include:

19-20 St James's Square (Grade I);  
5-7 Arlington St, W1;  
295 Lower Regent Street, W1;  
61 Pall Mall, W1;  
14 Montpelier Street, SW7;  
18-20 Grosvenor Street, W1;  
33 Grosvenor Street, W1;  
2 Audley Square, W1.

I am providing architectural advice to the team of professionals involved with these proposals.

#### **1.2 Summary**

This report comprises a Heritage Statement of the above property, with consideration of the existing property and any impact or conflicts that the proposed designs will have on it.

#### **1.3 The Property & Environs:**

The property was constructed circa 1850, and is part of Chalcot Square, formerly known as St George's Square. The first part of the Square was built in 1849 with the remainder of the Square being completed by 1871. The external appearances of the property's remained the same during the building works, and its original layout, complete with the ornamental bedding in the square, is shown on the 1870 Ordnance Survey map.

The aim of the original developers was to attract well-to-do middle class families with children and servants. Many did, although a number turned into boarding houses and many remained empty for long periods of time. None of the houses had their own stables, although stable blocks were found in nearby mews.

Chalcot Square received its present name in only 1937 when the London County Council, perhaps mindful of the threat of war, set about reducing the confusing duplications in London's street names. The new name was taken from a farm (also known as Chalk Farm) that had formed part of the huge Southampton Estate, sold for development in the 1840's.

#### **1.4 Assessment:**

With respect to the archaeological, architectural and historical elements of the property, the plan is to reinstate the original opening to match the neighbouring properties and improve the general architecture.

#### **1.5 Plan:**

Attached is a plan of the neighbouring area.

1.6 Photographic Record:

Attached are photos of the rear of the house prior to the works commencing and the neighbouring properties rear elevations

1.7 Assessment of the Proposed Works:

The proposed works are due to be carried out on the second floor and are summarised as follows:

Floor	Structure	Description	Justification
Second Floor	Rear elevation windows	To remove the two windows to the rear elevation and reinstate the original shaped window	The two windows are not original, the windows provide a cluttered rear elevation and the reinstatement of the original shaped window will enhance the property and improve it to its former glory.



5 & 6 Chalcot Square



7 Chalcot Square – rear elevation