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66 HEATH STREET DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This statement has been prepared in support of the accompanying listed building consent application and associated drawings. It is for the minor addition of a proposed chimney flue to the side elevation of 66 Heath Street, NW3 1DN.

This statement also includes a heritage statement.

2.0 PROPOSAL

This application proposes no internal alterations to 66 Heath Street at any floor. It also proposes no demolition or alterations to the exterior of the building other than the installation of a single flue pipe. Please see the associated drawings for further details.

The building will remain fundamentally unchanged and the minor addition of a flue will enable the owner of the ground floor restaurant to operate a wood burning pizzeria oven and therefore provide a unique service to the local area. We feel that this reasoning is justifiable.

The visual impact of the proposed flue would be very minimal and would be congruous with the rest of the servicing on the side of this building. The purpose of the ground floor of this building as a restaurant necessitates some plant and servicing, this is unavoidable.

The flue would be built in accordance with manufacturers instructions and in compliance with building regulations.

This application would not affect access to this building or any other.

3.0 HERITAGE STATEMENT

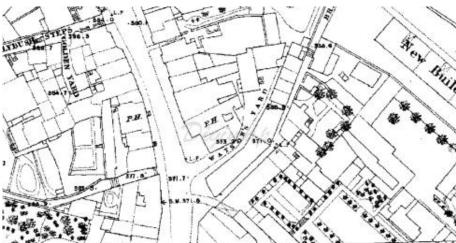
English Heritage list entry number: 1378827

First listed: 14.05.74

66 Heath Street is an end of terrace house with three storeys and an attic space above, with a later restaurant at ground floor level. The building dates from the early eighteenth century but was refaced in the early nineteenth century. The front and side facades of the building are white painted brick and the building has a slated mansard roof with dormer windows. The recessed sash windows at upper floor level have gauged flat brick arches. The rear elevation is brown brick with floor bands and has segmental arched flush framed sash windows.

This information was obtained from www.english-heritage.org.uk

The twentieth century restaurant frontage is a later addition but retains the original fascia brackets.

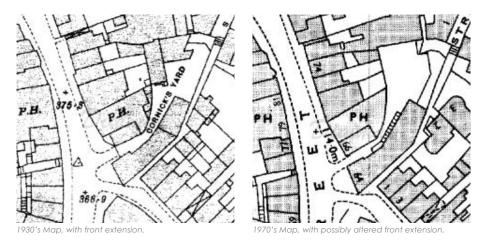


1870's Map showing 66 Heath Street, without front extension.

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From these historic plans, it can be assumed that the front of the building was extended in the early twentieth century and possibly modified in the 1950's or 60's.

The fixing brackets for the proposed flue would be screw fixed into the side wall of 66 Heath Street. Any fixings would be lightweight and ultimately reversible. Fixings would be located in mortar joints where possible and the twin wall flue would be insulated so as to not cause any detrimental heat damage to the facade.

The wall would be carefully repaired and redecorated as necessary.

4.0 **PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS**

A recent application was granted on this building, albeit 66a Heath Street, for minor internal alterations to the upper floors of the building. This application has the reference 2008/4933/L.

5.0 **PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDY (10.09.12)**







Existing servicing

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Heath Street panorama







NIght time view

6.0 CONCLUSION

We feel that this minor proposed addition complies with all the relevant guidance and would improve the existing buildings functionality without causing any harm to the special interest of the building.