LDC Report

19/11/2009

Officer		Application Number
Hannah Parker		2009/2419/P
Application Address		Drawing Numbers
114B Camden Street,		See Decision Notice
Camden,		
London,		
NW1 OHY		
PO 3/4	Area Team Signature	Authorised Officer Signature

Proposal

Use of rear flat roof area as a terrace at mezzanine level to existing flat (Class C3)

Recommendation: Refer to Draft Decision Notice

Assessment

Retention of a roof terrace at first floor level

The evidence submitted

- External Site Plan dated 28/3/06
- Floor plans
- Statutory Declaration dated 19th January 2007–(indicates that on April 30th 2002 the roof terrace was in existence)
- Building regulations regularisation certificate dated 27th May 2009 (Compliant to building regulations)
- Photo
- Letter from the Camden Town District Housing Office providing Landlord's retrospective consent for a roof terrace dated 21 December 2007
- Letter from Home ownership Services regarding the proposed purchase of unauthorised roof terrace. (Planning Consent is required to obtain a retrospective licence for alterations and Supplemental Lease.) dated 19th June 2007

The main piece of evidence submitted regarding obtaining the certificate of lawfulness was a statutory declaration from a past owner of the property. It stated that when they moved into the property on April 30th 2002 the roof terrace was in existence. There is no reason to dispute these claims as it appears that they no longer have any personal interest in the property.

The building regularisation certificate for the replacement of old and rotten roof terrace handrails indicate that the roof terrace has been in existence for a substantial period of time.

Under Section 191 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1991, the onus of proof of the lawful use of the property is on the applicant. From the information provided it is considered that enough information has been submitted in order to prove that the roof terrace has been in existence for a period of at least 4 years.

Recommendation

Grant Certificate of Lawfulness

<u>Disclaimer</u>
This is an internet copy for information purposes. If you require a copy of the signed original please contact the Culture and Environment Department on (020) 7974 5613