

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Consultees Addr:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2014/4681/P	Hilary Metcalf	Flat 1 The Chesterfields 1 B King Henry's Road London NW3 3QP	14/08/2014 15:02:51	OBJ	<p>I object to the planning application 2014/4681/p (case number)</p> <p>Please do not be misled by the term 'vent' used in the application: wherever the airconditioning unit is within Cow Shed, its noise is pushed through the 'vents'.</p> <p>1) The 'vents' push smells and fumes from the beauty parlour and café out within feet of a residential neighbour's widow and balcony, into my garden (which the outlet is directly above) and into my and other residential neighbours livingrooms, bedrooms and gardens which border on the small enclosed space into which the fumes are be pushed. The 'vents' go directly into a space which is enclosed by buildings five stories high on three sides with only about 10-12 metres between these high walls. There is no way, residents do not have to smell and breathe the fumes of whatever is pushed through the vents. This is contrary to Development Policies Policy DP26.</p> <p>The combined beauty parlour and café use (even within the restrictions imposed in their planning permission) create odours: constant odour, even if it were solely coffee, let alone beauty parlour odour and wider café use, is detrimental to a residential area.</p> <p>2) The extractors have already been found to cause noise pollution – a fact we know from Cow Shed installing the 'vents' without planning permission. They operate into an enclosed space and have been operated at levels causing substantial aggravation and diminution in the quality of life to residential neighbours in the Chesterfields, contrary to Development Policies Policy DP26 and DP28.</p> <p>The application states that all the residential flats are above their premises. This is incorrect, flats are also at the same basement and ground floor levels, at right angles to the wall they show in their drawing. For these flats (especially mine which is immediately adjacent at these levels), the effect is rather like being in a large well, with one side of the well churning out odour and noise, contrary to DP26 and DP28.</p> <p>The back of the Chesterfields is a residential area and has not suffered encroachment (in terms of noise and smell) by businesses because the small number of businesses in the premises have had their air conditioners and vents restricted to outletting onto Regents Park Road. The businesses have tailored their use to this restriction, rather than trying to change use to the detriment of residents.</p> <p>When Cow Shed applied for planning permission for part café use, the residents were given assurances by Cow Shed that they would place all air outlets at the front. This pre-empted opposition to the change in planning permission from the residents. Granting permission for these 'vents' now would mean that residents, instead of having a quiet, unpolluted outlook at the back of the flats, would have to cope with constant noise pollution and odours.</p>