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Sent: 11 July 2014 14:11
To: Planning
Subject: App Ref 2013/8275/P Land adjoining Fellows Road

Dear Sir,

I write to object to the proposed rearward extension of the permitted development. This proposals would be a gross addition of volume to the current scheme, which already represents overdevelopment of this Conservation Area site.

There can be no justifiable reason for still more floor area and volume "taken" from the Conservation Area, when the development of above ground accommodation rests on a wholly uncharacteristic concrete podium that virtually covers the whole of the site, from street front to rear garden plot line, under which lies around three thousand square feet of accommodation in addition to the development "above" ground.

The deepened --street front to rear wall-- volume above ground would extend beyond the established primary rear facade line that characterise the local Conservation Area houses. In breaching this pattern of urban development, the proposals would denude the character of the Conservation Area, and take still more volume when quite enough has been taken. This erosion of Conservation Area character would, so far as I understand, be against planning policy.

Further, the development has already denuded the character of the Conservation Area by removal of three mature Black Chestnut trees. As a result of development to date, an uncanny clearing in the neighbourhood has exposed hitherto unseen flank walls of neighbouring houses that present a gaunt and jarring scene. This represents a scar on the neighbourhood, and a forlorn scene, bereft of greenery, in the context of surrounding mature trees on neighbouring plots.

For these reasons, this development has already brought diminution of the quality of the natural environment in the Conservation Area neighbourhood, against published planning policy. I trust that you will not allow any greater volume of development, that would further erode the quality of this much valued neighbourhood environment, that is notionally under the protection of planning policy and the system of regulation that we rely upon to uphold these qualities for future generations to enjoy.

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