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Dear Ms Ryan,

New buildings at St John's Church, Downshire Hill, NW3

I refer to the application to demolish an existing building on the above mentioned site and to construct an enlarged caretaker's flat and meeting area. I am surprised that it should be considered necessary to add random bits onto to this beautiful, existing, listed, building. It is a large building and rarely, if ever, fully occupied. I feel sure that if the way the different areas and spaces within the building are currently used at different times of the day and week were to be properly studied, it would be found that all the various requirements could be accommodated within the existing premises, possibly with the involvement of some intelligent timetabling.

It seems a shame to allow such a beautiful set of premises to be spoiled by the proposed additions when the need for this could almost certainly be obviated by reorganising the way the existing substantial space is used.

Yours sincerely,

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