Application for planning 2014/6674/P Re: 37 Theobald's Rd London WC1X 8SP

January 19, 2015 Dear Camden,

I am writing in regards to new works, which are being proposed at the above

With regards to the proposed work listed: the letter states that there would be a change in the use of front part of the ground floor from retail to a restaurant. For the past 5 years or so the entire area has been used as a restaurant, never has been retail to my knowledge, so I am uncertain what this change might imply.

It also includes installation of roof lights to the rear ground floor. I am not certain what area they are speaking? Would this be lights on the current large skylight window on the roof or some other idea? And finally that an extract duct to rear elevation: currently there is an extract to the the roof, are you suggesting a new one, redoing the current one?. If so how high would the extract be built?

My concern is that all of the flats in that area look out into a common area. Our windows open up to that area especially in the spring and summer months to get air. If the extract were not taller than the largest portion of the building on Theobald's Rd (4floors high) then the smell would drift into everyone's flats.

If the lighting proposed is bright or garish, it too will shine into our flats and become a nuisance.

For these reasons or until these changes are explained in further detail I am against these proposed changes.

Currently, 2 air-condition fans are also installed on the roof, both obtrusive looking. What further mess will these people make with these new changes? We need to live in small proximity to each other, retail and those of us who call this area home. I ask that the retail side be more sensitive to what we look out on to or need smell in one night. As it is, the restaurant opens the one window on the roof in spring in summer to let air in, even though as I have said they have an air-condition system and should not need to do so. Usually this causes much noise, especially when they hold football match screening. Could their use of an open window be discussed with them also?

Sincerely your,

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