

Dear Rob,

I am writing to object to the above planning application, on the following grounds:

1. The planned construction is clearly not in-keeping with the conservation area, and does nothing to enhance it, thus it is in contravention of Camden Development Policy 25. The artist's impression on the front page of the applicant's tree survey quite clearly demonstrates that the design does not compliment a narrow Victorian passageway within a conservation area.
2. DP14 states that "All visitor accommodation must not harm the balance and mix of uses in the area, local character, residential amenity etc." A short-term holiday let building quite clearly does not bode well for a small residential passageway, with no nearby parking facilities, and a primary school making use of the same small street. Furthermore, the development policy lists a number of wards in which the council will consider small holiday accommodation buildings to be constructed: Hampstead Town is not amongst them.
3. Loss of trees. There will be a total of eight trees felled as part of this application, which are all protected under the terms of the conservation area.
4. Loss of privacy. I find this to be the most objectionable aspect of the planning application. The applicant has proposed to build a three storey holiday let, with roof terrace, and huge windows, overlooking several neighbouring gardens and properties. 7 Lakis Close, for example, have their bedroom window only a few metres away from the windows and glass doors in the proposed development, even though DP26 recommends a minimum of eighteen metres in distance (I should point out as well that throughout, the applicant has referred to 7 Lakis Close as "5a Streatley Place", which is an address that does not even exist).

Numerous residents have written to you in great detail with valid objections to this application. The proposal is not in-keeping with the conservation area; it is far too bulky; it creates grave privacy issues; and the idea of a short-term holiday let accommodation in a narrow residential passageway with a primary school next door is nonsensical. I would urge that this application is rejected.

Kind regards,

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