

. Grove Lodge, Admirals Walk.

The Draft Local Plan 2015 with respect to basements addresses the proportionality of the planning proposal. This application whether it succeeds or is refused will set a benchmark for the future. If this application succeeds, it is difficult to see how any future application with respect to its extent, location in an unstable environment, impact on neighboring buildings, impact on a site of local cultural record and the impact on the environment during the construction process, ie. the disruption that it will cause to the community in a narrow area of Hampstead, etc., can be refused.

On these grounds this application should be refused.

As a comment, should a person require a large property for whatever reason, perhaps then, he should choose a large property in the first place. He cannot necessarily expect always to be able to modify a small property of note and at great impact on the the environment. Such permissible changes should better be incremental over an extended period in areas that are sensitive such as this.

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