

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Consultees Addr:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2015/1573/P	Nick Viner	36 Belsize Avenue London NW3 4AH	27/04/2015 22:41:20	OBJNOT	<p>Highly intrusive building works having been taking place next door to us for a good two years. The works were paused when it became clear that several structures were built without permission. As a consequence, having endured two noisy and dusty summers, we have also just come through an equally noisy winter with unsightly scaffolding, and worse, flapping and tearing protective canvas which disturbs our bedrooms whenever there is wind.</p> <p>The application suggests work has not commenced; this is clearly not the case.</p> <p>As to the substance of the application, we have four objections. First, the side and rear boundary walls have already been completed with ugly breeze blocks on the outside ie facing all three neighbouring properties. This is not consistent with the garden fences that enclose all other neighbouring gardens. The structure is too high, projecting above our fence (if possible, images will be attached), and has been capped with a steel girder. We understand from the planning officer that the original application was for a 2.3m wall, and a 2.8m wall has been built. We request that there be no structure higher than 2.3m, and that the wall either be taken down and be replaced by a fence, or that it be faced in brick so the breeze blocks are no longer visible.</p> <p>We would also like to note that, during the construction of the unauthorised wall, the back of our garden began to fall away as the earth behind it was dug up, part of our recently installed fence was dislodged, and the roots of several of our plants were cut away. Only when we went round to 1 Glenilla Rd and remonstrated with the builders was something put in place prevent further soil erosion</p> <p>Secondly, the whole garden has been roofed over and is no longer an outdoor space. The roof appears to be supported on the steel girders that sit on the breeze blocks projecting about our fence. We strongly object to this. We understand from the planning officer that he has been assured that this is a temporary covering to protect materials. As this covering was installed in the middle of building works and has been in place for over 6 months (and there is a complete house in which to store materials), and given our experience of this property to date, we are sceptical about this explanation. We request that this roofing be permanently removed.</p> <p>Thirdly, we object to the additional width to the extension which – given the proposed additional height – will further encroach upon our garden.</p> <p>Finally, there is an unauthorised additional dormer window on a new level in the roof, inconsistent with the roof line of the rest of the street. We understand this is the subject of a separate application, on which we will comment. For now, however, we note our objection to this dormer window and request that it be removed</p> <p>Please notify us of the committee date.</p>