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Dear Shane

**Objection to planning application number 2015/2362/P: Installation of external insulation on the side elevation of the dwelling house (73 Chester Road)**

I write in relation to the planning application for number 73 Chester Road. We are the adjoining neighbours to the property. Both properties are late Victorian/early Edwardian.

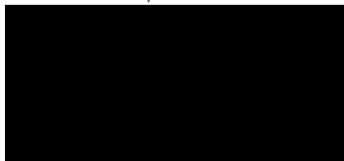
We object to the proposed modifications to the property at number 73 on the grounds that they will have a significant visual impact to the detriment of the character of the two properties and this part of the Dartmouth Park Conservation Area.

We would like to make the following points:

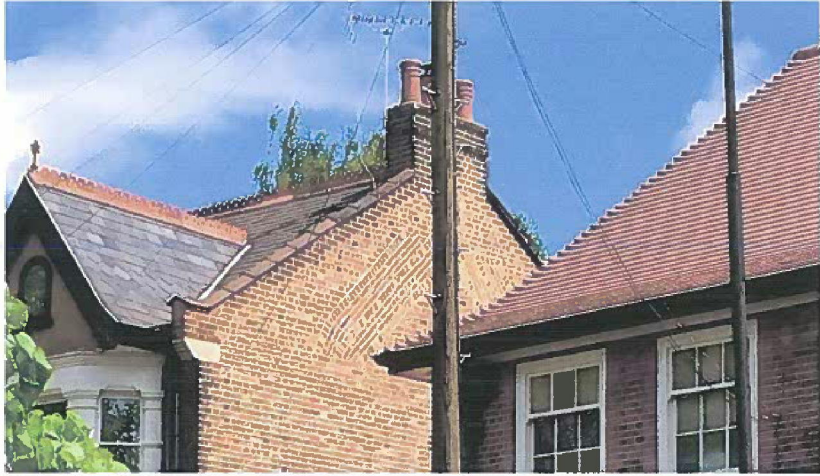
- The side elevation in question is highly visible from the street along a large stretch of Chester Road, see photos on page 2. The side elevation contains unique, original brickwork patterns. Covering up this traditional brickwork and obscuring decorative details in the architecture will have a significant visual impact and alter the character of the two properties. This is inappropriate in a conservation area and given the architectural and heritage importance of the local area - the houses are directly opposite Highgate cemetery (included on the Register of Historic Parks and Gardens of special historic interest in England) and next-door-but-one to the Grade II listed Holly Village.
- All properties in this part of Chester Road (Holly Village, 75,73,71,65-69, 63, Brookfield School) are characterised by traditional brickwork with no render. The use of render on such a large wall, as proposed, would significantly and detrimentally change the appearance of the area.
- 73 Chester Road is already a highly energy efficient and low carbon home as detailed on the Super Homes website (screen shots included on page 3):  
<http://www.superhomes.org.uk/superhomes/chester-road-north-camden-london/>

We would be grateful if you would take our objections into consideration when deciding this application and would welcome the opportunity to meet with you at our home to illustrate our objections at first hand.

Yours sincerely



John Parkinson and Rebecca Herbert



SuperHomes - London, Camden, Chester Road

Opening doors to low energy refurbishment

SuperHome Database

London, Camden, Chester Road

Please Summary

Owner: Sarah Hartman  
 House Year: 1930s (not built detached)  
 Construction: 2011 SuperHome Approved  
 SuperHome Category: Super Homes

Key Features:

- Combustion boiler
- Double Glazing
- Driveway parking
- Fitted insulation
- High speed broadband
- Low Energy Appliances
- Low Energy Lighting
- Mechanical Ventilation Heat Recovery
- New Insulation
- Solar PV Panels
- Solar Water Heating
- Sunlight
- Water Saving Services
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What visitors are saying

Very interesting, thank you for opening your house to us. An inspiring visit!

Excellent - very knowledgeable, informative, approachable and practical!

Really interesting to see a very typical house with extensive work including a first assessment!

Delighted to meet such a person app of passion. I updated with engineer, opening all aspects!

Something special, Thanks and congratulations!

"I found out about several things I didn't know about at all eg. heat recovering extractor fans, the fact that you'd have just the ash filter" replaced in your website and upon the building "house"."

Owner: Sarah Hartman

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What's new in this section:

Now, the house heats up well and stays warm while being extraordinarily cheap to run. It's also extremely easy to use and maintain. There is no no maintenance or being and we don't have any drafts at all. It's a real home place to live.

The house is also much quieter due to using the wood fibre insulation which you get fantastic acoustics for the house (the wood doesn't bounce around).

We used everything to low energy lighting and then started to meet all lighting by LED, which we first installed in the kitchen and the hallway and then moved to the rest of the house. The walls that were made in the building had poor insulation so we had to add 400mm of light in there. The walls that were made in the building had poor insulation so we had to add 400mm of light in there. The walls that were made in the building had poor insulation so we had to add 400mm of light in there.

Results today:

1 year on we are still using the energy meter and the building manager has to be the number and photos, which includes the wall insulation, floor insulation, roof insulation, changing the window and heating the house and being with draughts. That has to be the only one change being more than anything else.

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News included in detail:

- Gas condensing boiler with full control system for heating and hot water, fitted with a weather compensation unit.
- All original windows argon filled DG and use low e glass. The windows have been overhauled and draught stripped.
- New high performance windows with DG, argon filling and low e glass installed all over.
- All original sash windows have been overhauled and double glazed with argon fill and use low e glass. New high performance windows with double glazing, argon fill and low e glass have been installed at the rear of the property.
- Whole house draught stripped. In particular the windows, doors and floors have been draught-sealed to reduce heat loss. Draught lobby installed in hall.
- Pressure test showed house performed to the standards set for best practice new build.
- Original flooring on the ground floor removed (also reused in the attic) and underfloor insulation added.
- Walls internally insulated with 100mm or 150mm expanded wood fibre boards. Once insulated, the walls were treated with clay plaster and clay paint. Cornices and mouldings repaired or replaced.
- Low energy appliances include AAA washing machine, dishwasher and fridge freezer.
- LED or CFL lighting throughout.
- Heat recovery unit in the bathroom and shower room.
- Roof used to insulate white roof and two layers of expanded wood fibre boards, roof had needed replacing anyway.
- 1.8 kWp Solar PV system generating electricity.
- Hot water solar thermal system, on the extension roof, reducing the gas needed for water heating by 75%. Water pipes have been insulated to minimise heat loss.
- Sunspace added to allow natural light into the hallway.
- Wood burning stove in the living room is 80% energy efficient (compared to the 20% of a traditional open fire) and complies with Class A11 regulators.
- The house has been plumbed for water efficiency using flow regulators, aerating taps and showers and low water usage WC's which use only 3.7 or 4 litres per flush.
- The garden is watered with rainwater collected from the roof by 3 water butts in an 850 litre "water tank" which incorporates a filter to keep the stored water free of leaves.
- A diverter enables "grey water" (lightly soiled water from the bath, shower and wash basin) to be used on the garden in dry weather.