7 DARTMOUTH PARK ROAD, LONDON NW5 ISU

Planning Application Number 2015/2230/P 9 Dartmouth Park Road, NW5 ISU Associated Ref: 2014/4129/P

Dear Ms. Chaggar,

We are in favour of these development proposals for several reasons:

They will be of considerable benefit to the minor occupants living in the basement, whose present space is small and cramped. These tenants will enjoy much larger space and freedom of movement under the new arrangements. Our next door house, No. 7, will not be in any significant way affected and in any case would be no more affected than should be expected in a London town environment. No. 11 would be even less affected.

On the question of 'style' we think it worth pointing out that uniformity or coherence does not begin in the road until it reaches the bend. Until this point the builders had had years of glorious independence. There are early Victorian double bay houses, ten mid-Victorian semi-detached houses, a house of the 1930's and a very interesting modern late 20th century house. The five pairs of semi-detached houses all vary in detail and proportion and are very far from uniform. Half of one pair has, in fact, been turned into flats.

Our general argument would be that as the borough is extremely short of adequate housing, even a small extension should be welcome.

Yours sincerely,

John Sparrow