Application 2015/2663/P Flat 1 106 Priory Road NW6 3NS Applicant Mr Richard Booth

Comments Edward and Susan Cooper Flat 2 106 Priory Road NW6 3NS

The extension is a large and visually intrusive building which will dominate the outlook from our main bedroom windows, a large part of our garden and the small balcony where we can sit outdoors at the same level as our flat. We accept that a development of this kind has many advantages for the applicant. But we would like to see reasonable concessions and safeguards to ameliorate the adverse impacts on our enjoyment of our property.

Height

A parapet on three sides is shown on the drawings, together with skylights. The parapet and skylights are all higher than our floor and very close to the window ledge of 3 tall bedroom windows, which inside our flat are approximately 2 feet 6 inches from the bedroom floor.

What is the proposed measured distance below our windows?

Skylights

Very large skylights are shown on 2 drawings. AP 201 shows 2 skylights AP 220 shows 3. We are concerned about light and noise nuisance below our main bedroom, and loss of privacy.

Can you confirm there will not be a third skylight directly below our bedroom window, that the skylights will be semi- opaque and will be fixed (not able to be opened).

Materials

No information is given about materials to be used in construction of the roof or skylights. A parapet may improve the appearance of the building from the ground. 104,106, and 108 and all subdivided into flats but only the applicant will see this building from the ground. The roof will very prominent from 8 upper storey flats.

We suggest light reflecting surfaces should not be used.

Can you please advise proposed materials for the roof and skylights.

Privacy

We shall lose privacy in our garden and balcony. The drawing of the staircase is inaccurate and misleading. It shows the staircase from the garden to our balcony extending beyond the length of the new extension. It implies the staircase and the climbing plants will provide some sort of screen. This is quite wrong. The staircase ends approximately half the length short of the length of new extension. The wrap around window will look directly into our garden.

The existing fences are dilapidated and will be largely destroyed by this work. To allow us to use our garden and balcony we would like a suitable wall or high fence the full length of the garden.