The Society examines all Planning Applications relating to Hampstead, and assesses them for their impact on conservation and on the local environment.

## To London Borough of Camden, Development Control Team

Planning Ref: 2015/4988/P

Address: 17 Heath Drive, NW3

Description: Loft conversion, roof terrace.

Case Officer: Anna Roe Date 5 October 2015

We make no comment on the loft conversion as such.

The proposed roof terrace, however, is unacceptable, on these grounds:

- 1. Overlooking and loss of privacy to surrounding gardens, and to the side/rear of adjacent house 44 Ferncroft Avenue. The height above ground level of the terrace would make the overlooking significantly intrusive.
- 2. Noise pollution to the same neighbours; again, height above ground level would magnify the effects.

The fact that the adjoining house, 16 Heath Drive has a roof terrace is irrelevant. We do not know if this was formed with a valid Planning permission; we suspect that this is doubtful. The location of this terrace is in many respects less harmful that the one now proposed since views from it are partially screened off by the presence of the corner house 14 Heath Drive.

Two blacks do not make one white, however. This proposal contravenes Policy DP26 (26.3 and 26.5)

Please refuse.