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To: Chivers, Jennifer

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Dear Jennifer

The Bloomsbury CAAC had its regular meeting this evening to discuss planning applications, one of which was for 21 Bedford Square. I see that the date for comments on line has passed, hence this email to you on behalf of BCAAC, which I trust you will consider.

Our concern lies in the use of air conditioning units in any Grade 1 listed building as a matter of principle, as the houses were not intended to have the kind of internal pipe work needed for condenser units. There can also be an issue of noise to neighbours and those working / living within the buildings. No 21 is no exception.

The Design and Access Statement explains that it will be necessary to penetrate the front elevation brickwork of the Coach House so that pipework and cables can be connected to the external condensing unit. Also that it will be necessary to core drill holes though the front wall to run refrigerant pipework, as well as being necessary to install a louvered face to the pavement vault to allow sufficient air flow to the unit.

We object to the intrusion of air conditioning units in this Grade I listed building. However carefully executed, the proposed work will inevitably have some negative impact on the original historic fabric of an extremely important heritage asset.

Regards

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