

Dear Planners

We are concerned that there is too little detail in this application for us to be confident that this Listed II* building is being given the care it deserves.

The listing document states that No. 10's interior was "not inspected" and the architects only appear to assume that the staircase is modern. There also seems to have been no structural investigation of this area, so from the information given, the staircase might equally be original or a restoration of the original.

We are concerned, too, that the assertion that the closet wing might not be original is untested. It would be unusual for a house of this age not to have a closet wing and its neighbours certainly all do. Some were renewed in the 70s and 80s but that does not appear to be the case for No 10, except that its top floor was removed to make a terrace

We think therefore that this application should not be granted until more conclusive evidence is provided to demonstrate that the staircase concerned is unquestionably a modern addition.

Please let us know the outcome of this application.

Yours

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