



Dear Planning Officer,

I am writing to object to the above planning request at 6 Regent's Park Road.

The plan seeks to construct an additional level to the rear of the middle property of a row of three contiguous Victorian terraced houses. Hiding the proposed additional elevation from the street only serves to underline how out of keeping with the character of the area is the proposed development. The proposal should be declined on the basis that:

1. It is out of keeping with the roof height of the two adjacent properties, both of which are built in the same style as number 6 Regent's Park Road. This will damage the harmonious period lines of this row of properties and the character of the area, particularly as seen from the rear of the properties;
2. By permitting additional height to be added to the middle property, a precedent will be set such that additional height can be added to neighbouring properties and this will add to the damage inflicted on the character of the area; and
3. Adding additional height to the property will substantially reduce the amount of sunlight reaching the back gardens of adjacent properties and negatively impact on the ability of neighbouring residents to enjoy their back gardens. Due to the nature of the north-facing gardens on this stretch of road, many parts of them do not see direct sunlight for at least 6 months of the year as the houses come between the sun and the gardens. Raising the height of a property, as proposed, will increase the height of the sun required for it to reach the gardens and increase the proportion of the year that the gardens will be in the shade.

I would be happy to discuss these objections in person with you or a member of your team.

Fergus

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