

APPLICATION REF 2015/5893/P

148-150 Abbey Road NW6 4SR

LOFT CONVERSION PROPOSED BY TYPETEAM



Comments Form

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Planning application number..... 2015/5893/P

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I support the application (please state reasons below)



→ I object to the application (please state reasons below)



Your comments

MY FLAT IS ADJACENT WITH ONLY A PARTITION DIVIDING THE TOP FLOOR OF THIS CONVERTED VICTORIAN HOUSE, AND IT IS NOT ORIGINAL TO THE BUILDING. A STAIRCASE INSTALLED AGAINST THIS PARTITION WOULD SUBJECT ME TO THE NOISE OF FOOTFALL WITHIN A METRE OF MY BED, VIBRATION THROUGH PROXIMITY OF PEOPLE WALKING UP AND DOWN AT ANY TIME AND ACTIVITY IN A BEDROOM DIRECTLY ABOVE MY CEILING THAT DOES NOT HAVE FULL FLOOR JOIST SUPPORT

→ see attached

Please continue on extra sheets if you wish

I am leaseholder of over 30 years standing in this property, of a flat directly adjacent.

I oppose this plan because the proposed staircase would be within a metre of my head when I am sleeping. The existing partition separating my flat from flat 15 is not original to the building being only of light stud wall construction.

Structural work adhering to building regulations would have to be installed along with full-sized floor joists above my ceiling as the present timbers are only suitable for loft use, and adequate sound proofing and fire safety regulations would have to be met.

Also my hot water supply is dependant on a cold-water storage tank in the loft along with a stop-cock. I would need permanent access to this essential supplies so would require a trap-door within my flat to access them.

This freeholder is also a leaseholder 5 out of 16 flats but the majority of leaseholders have voiced their opposition. Typeteam are uncommunicative, uncooperative and at times intimidating. They are in breach on contract and it's likely they have delayed essential exterior decorations for almost two years, for which we have been invoiced in advance, for their own gain so they can use the scaffolding required and benefit from a surveyor's consultancy which we all pay for having been charged in advance for the work without any quotation being submitted to us for our approval.

Their plan will raise the value of the rental they could earn which will not help the lack of affordable housing in this area.

This is their third attempt to develop the loft area here, twice they have been denied, some years ago.

Despite there being a precedent of roof lights limited to the side of the roof of No.146 this doesn't alter the potential degradation of the style of these houses in this Conservation Area: just because there are car thieves active doesn't mean it's alright to steal cars.

If you grant permission the description of my property and its market value will be adversely affected as I bought the "top floor flat".

I am about to retire and would object to being subjected to major building works above my flat and next door at a time I am looking forward to some peace and quiet.

I appeal to you: Please do not allow this development to proceed.