

Gentet, Matthias

From: Whittingham, Gideon
Sent: 11 January 2016 09:44
To: Planning
Subject: FW: Comments on 2015/4501/P have been received by the council.

Can we put this objection up please?

From the 27th

Gideon Whittingham
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We want to hear your views on the changes we are proposing to how we consult on planning applications. To find out more and have your say visit www.camden.gov.uk/sci. Consultation closes on the 20 January 2016.

From: Mimi Sansone [mailto:████████████████████]
Sent: 08 January 2016 19:00
To: Whittingham, Gideon
Subject: Fw: Comments on 2015/4501/P have been received by the council.

Dear Mr Whittingham,
can you please let me know why my objection send to you the 29/12/2015 (as your receipt below) have not yet been published as due in your site, I would be grateful if you can give me confirmation that is only a technical error, and will take place as soon as possible
Best regards
Domenica Sansone

On Tuesday, December 29, 2015 5:43 PM, "planning@camden.gov.uk" <planning@camden.gov.uk> wrote:

Ms Domenica Sansone

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27th December 2015

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Application REF.2015 / 4501 / P –PLANNING APPLICATION
36-52-20 Fortess Grove

Put simply, this project is far too dense. It needs to be scaled back, in such a way that respects the local community and our concerns. However, in seeking to address the problems surrounding this project, it is patently clear that you have not taken into proper consideration my views, nor those of my neighbours. As a matter of urgency, I would like to raise the following, outstanding

issues:

1 House type A and B: Objections

- The skylights

According to the plans, there are going to be nine skylights adjacent to my two back bedroom windows. Some of the skylights are just 80cm from my windows. Currently, I enjoy total silence and complete darkness: I challenge anyone to sleep with lights turning on and off constantly. The skylights are not necessary to provide the bedroom below with natural light, given the large window towards the courtyard. Furthermore, they are specified as being fixed, so they do not serve to ventilate the rooms either. Therefore, why exactly are they needed?

- The open courtyard

As previously mentioned in my letter, dated September 2015, the back of my house is relatively peaceful in the evenings, as things stand at present. However, if an open courtyard is introduced, all this will change. Courtyards are well-known to work as acoustic chambers and can create considerable noise. This effect will be compounded by the density of the proposed project, as I would have two open courtyards behind my house. Therefore, I ask that these areas, instead of being open, should be covered with glass in order to contain the likely high level of noise disturbance.

- Balconies

Houses A and B balconies directly disturb the privacy of the homes in Fortess Road. There appears to be no respect for the fact that the homes in Fortess Road are listed. Surely, their listed status should afford some decent level of protection from the intrusions of potential new developments?

2. House C: Clarifications

- I welcome the restoration of the original window, even if it is not clear how it will work internally. I would not want it to be lost during the works.

- I welcome the removal of the fire exit. However, I do not understand where it is being relocated, as there are no other fire exits on the drawings: this needs clarifying. Please rectify drawing 687-LY-0X04, as it shows an arrow saying fire escape near house C and the waste room door area. This would be unacceptable.

Asbestos removal

I understand that you are employing specialist contractors to remove the asbestos roof of the old building. You are aware of the proximity of our back bedroom windows to the old roof. We need detailed information as to who the contractors are, what is their safety record and how will they avoid contaminating our houses when the old material is being removed from the site. This is a major concern of all the residents and we feel it may be prudent to rehouse us during the time the roof is being removed. We need certificates of proof for the safe removal of this material, that it will not affect our properties.

Affordable workshops

I acknowledge the changes that have been made in relation to the commercial development. However, I advocate that spaces be kept available for affordable workshops and small, craft-based businesses. In doing so, the project would enable the continuation of such vital – and vulnerable - businesses in the local area, and enrich the broader community.

In conclusion

I would like to reiterate that the majority of issues arising from this project are due to its density. A

more considered use of space would respect the surrounding conservation area, the existing residents and the environment.

This is a close-knit community. Our views need to be respected and considered in relation to this new development. Personally, whilst I am not against the development as such, I would like to see housing which reflects the aesthetics of the area and the ethos of our local community.

Yours faithfully,

Comments made by Domenica Sansone of 2 Railey Mews, NW5 2PA, London

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