10 Nutley Terrace NW3

For the attention of Fiona Davies 2015/6528/P

Dear Fiona Davies,

Last night, I completed the on-line form for comments on the above application. However, I received an automatic confirmation of its receipt but many words have been omitted because they do not appear to have been fitted into the narrow box provided! It may well be that this is a common problem. It is for this reason that I am communicating my comments on the last date for their receipt.

I have searched my memory and am again setting down below my comments in full following careful examination of the detailed drawings for this application.

- 1) It is obvious that the proposal is for a house that which could reasonably be described as gross over-development. It is on a narrow site planned in Victorian times as a coach house for the adjacent Otto Schiff. It was also designed by an architect who wished the two Nutley Terrace elevations to be viewed from the street adjacent to each other. I very much doubt that at that time there was any intention of the coach house being hidden behind the wall now at the back of the pavement.
- 2) Moreover, permission for the single storey extension in front of the coach house in advance of the building line granted some 40 years ago is unlikely to have been approved were it requested today. Indeed, the front wall acts as a visual block from the street of the original attractive façade/front elevation.
- 3) It seems to me that there is now a unique opportunity for returning the appearance of this end of Nutley terrace to its original Victorian character. This would entail demolition of the wall and the front extension. By these means, that would enhance our Conservation Area for which we put in so much effort for it to be so designated over 30 years ago.
- 4) It would only result in some small loss of the excessive floor space for which permission is being sought BUT would return to the street visual interest lost at present behind the considerable length of the continuous brick wall along this side of the street.

I trust that these comments can be taken into account in your deliberations.

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