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2016/1514/P	James Knowles	34 Parliament Hill London NW3 2TN	01/05/2016 13:23:09	AMEND	<p>Hello John,</p> <p>As we discussed over the phone, the problems I have with the altered proposal at #32 PH relate to privacy and noise.</p> <p>As was, the dormers had the effect of giving a view straight out towards the City. The resident could not look sideways at our balcony which is only 4 metres away.</p> <p>As proposed, the sliding doors and railing would allow the residents to lean out of the sliding doors and, as a result, will be looking (and talking) straight at us and we will be able to overhear each others conversations.</p> <p>From our side, we will now be able to look back into their living space, which we do not want to do.</p> <p>The builder mentioned that despite these 2 different plans, their actual plan is different still. To reduce the cost of the sliding doors, their actual plan is to insert fixed glass panes from floor to ceiling instead of sliding doors. While this will reduce the sound problem, it clearly does not overcome the visual loss of privacy at both properties.</p> <p>Further, in a dormer window, residents are less inclined to walk into the dormer to look down out of the window. With a broad, floor to ceiling glass wall, residents will be much more inclined to look down which will be onto our first floor balcony and our back garden. This would also be the case for the balcony and resident of the 1st floor of #32, and the garden and conservatory of #32.</p> <p>Lastly, I don't know if property value enters into your considerations, but as a consequence of these losses of privacy, I firmly believe that the value of my property will be permanently reduced.</p> <p>I'd be happy to discuss this with you in more detail. Please feel free to call my mobile any time.</p> <p>Thanks,</p> <p>James.</p>

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