## 17 Countess Road, NW5 2NS

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#### 0.1 Practice Introduction

RISE Design Studio is an innovative contemporary architecture practice based in London, making schools and houses, dealing with England and Ireland's diffuse light and absolute materiality.

Architecture is experienced emotionally, felt through the skin as much as viewed through the eyes. For this reason, since Sean Ronnie Hill founded the studio in 2011, there has been a strong focus equally on the physicality of their work as on its conception.

Our work is informed by an awareness of place and context, craft and materiality, local climate, inclusion of sustainability, a consideration of form, and an understanding of the simplicity and quality of well-made buildings.

We approach every project as a unique and singular opportunity. Through discussion, observation and research, informed by our considerable project experience, we engage in a critical investigation of each project's needs and constraints – with the objective of delivering the highest level of design quality, and buildings which are practical, inspiring and beautiful.

Our work is also characterised by a rigorous and analytical approach to function and planning, and a thorough process of refinement which is applied to every detail.















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#### 0.1 Proposal Summary

This report outlines the proposal for a Dormer extension to the existing outrigger at 17 Countess Road, NW5 2NS, in the Camden Borough. The clients are the freeholders of the building.

Our clients, Mr Boyd + Mrs Merchant, wish to build a high quality, Dormer extension to the outrigger of their three storey. The proposal would create an additional study.

#### 0.2 Planning Summary

The site is located in a conservation area but it is not subject to any Article 4 Directions. The property is not listed.

Changes are limited to the rear facade which are not visible from Countess Road. The intention is to maximise the amount of glazing to the Dormer extension to minimise the sense of enclosure.

The materials and form are to remain sensitive to the existing context and character of the area and all execution is to be of a high quality.

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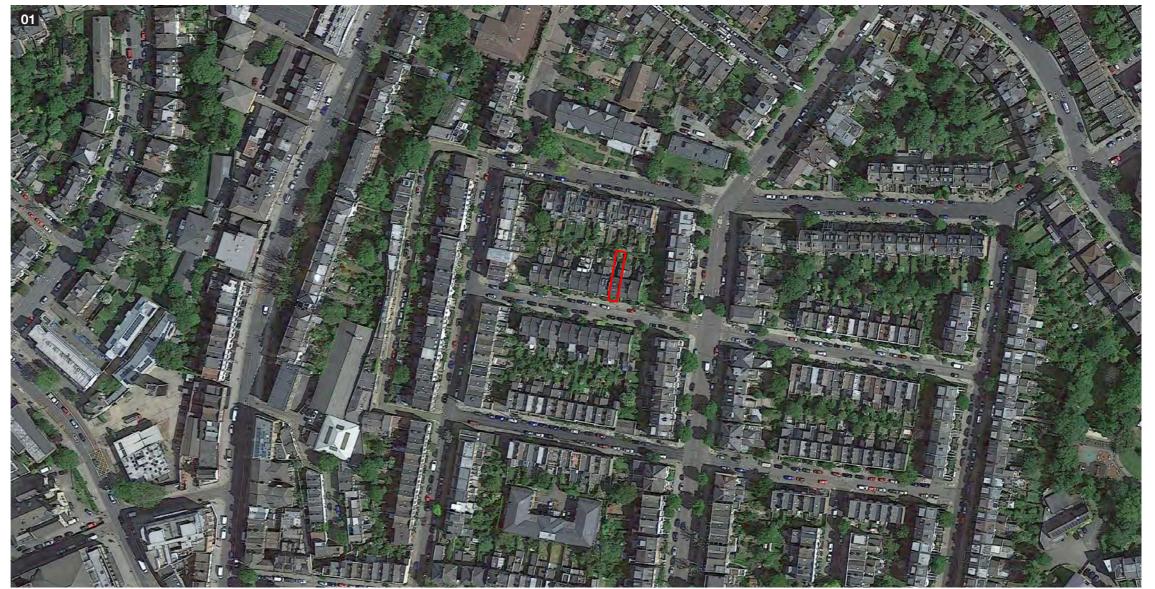
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### 1.1 Location + History

The site exists as a single family dwelling. It lies on Countess Road, close to Lady Margaret Road. Countess Road is part of the Kentish Town Conservation Area, located between Kentish Town and Tuffnell Park Underground Stations.

The building is located within Character Zone 5 - Lady Margaret Road, of the Kentish Town Conservation Area, in the London Borough of Camden. According to the conservation record it was built between 1875 and 1894.

The property is not subject to any Article 4 Directions, and it is not listed.



- O1 Satellite View of site
- Aerial View of site looking EastAerial view of site looking West

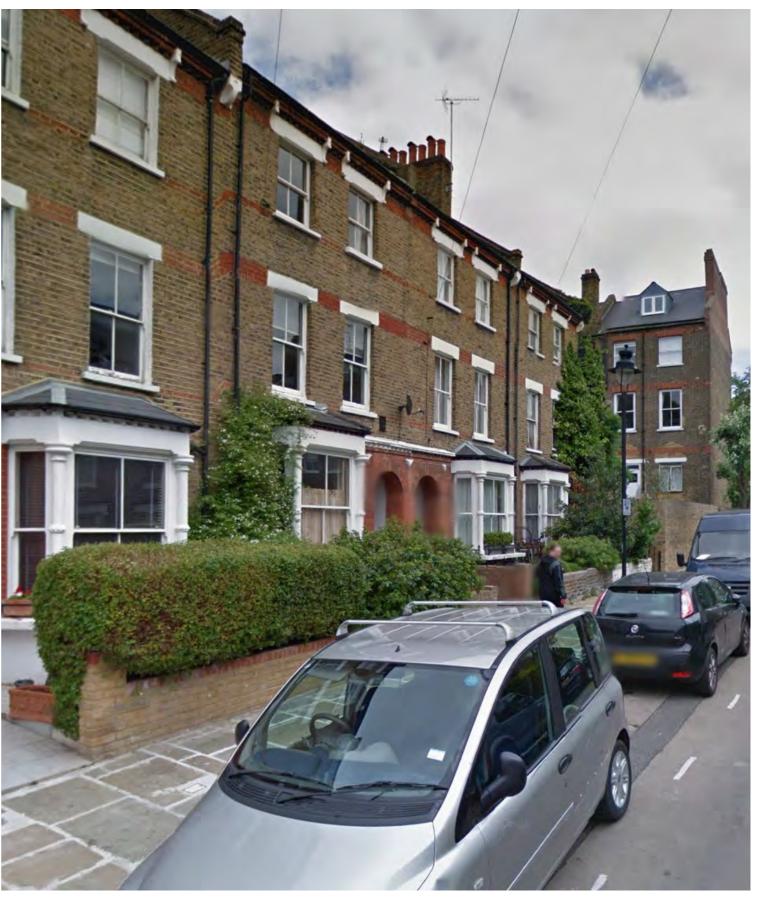




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2.0 Relevant Planning Policy: 2.1 Planning Policy Summary

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2.1 Relevant Planning Policy Summary

a. Camden Core Strategy 2010-2025: Local Development There has been one previous planning application on record Framework

Development Framework

- c. Camden Planning Guidance 1: Design
- d. Camden Planning Guidance 8: Planning Obligations
- e. Kentish Town Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Strategy

2.2 Relevant Planning History

for 17 Countess Road, NW5 2NS:

b. Camden Development Policies 2010-2025: Local 2013/2328/T - GRANTED - Notice of works to trees in a conservation area.

There have been several planning applications for Rear + Side Extensions for Numbers 1-22 Countess Road including:

4 Countess Rd - 2014/7269/P - GRANTED

5 Countess Rd - 2015/6222/P - PENDING

Applications for Rear and Side Extensions prior to 2011 Conservation Area boundary change:

1 Countess Rd - 9200219 - GRANTED

2 Countess Rd - 2010/3456/P - GRANTED

15 Countess Rd - PEX0100977 - GRANTED

20 Countess Rd - PEX0200704 - GRANTED

There have been several planning applications for Rear + Side Extensions along the remainder of Countess Road including:

24 Countess Rd - 2012/6703/P - GRANTED

29 Countess Rd - 2011/6283/P - GRANTED

38 Countess Rd - 2012/5772/P - GRANTED

Applications for Rear and Side Extensions prior to 2011 Conservation Area boundary change:

23 Countess Rd - 11507 - GRANTED

- 8501745 - REFUSED

- PEX0100772 - GRANTED

- PEX0200179 - REFUSED

26 Countess Rd - 2010/2406/P - GRANTED

29 Countess Rd - PEX0200249 - GRANTED

33 Countess Rd - PEX0200741 - GRANTED

- 2009/5912/P - GRANTED

39 Countess Rd - 8802173 - GRANTED

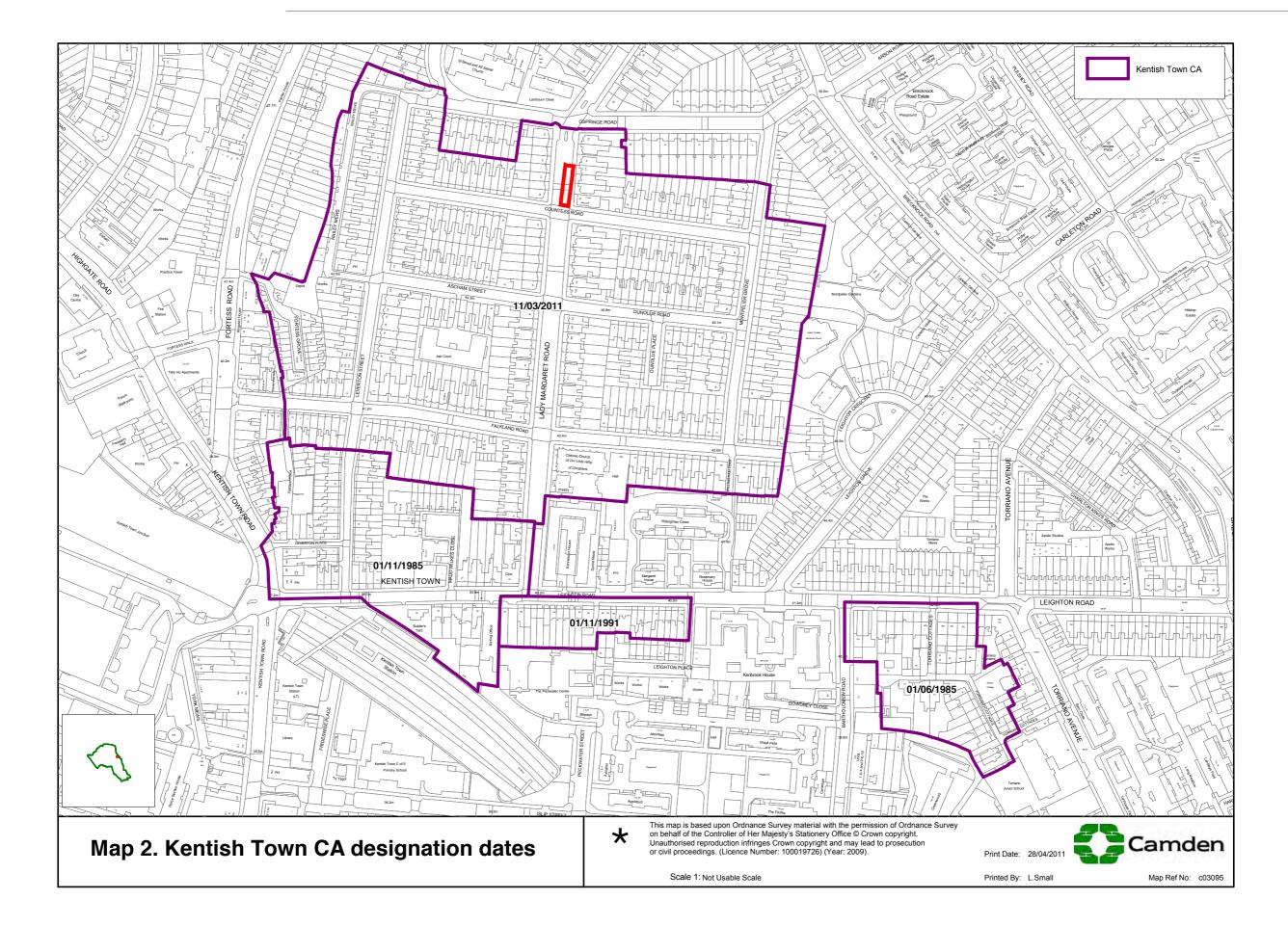
43 Countess Rd - 9200635 - GRANTED

Previous applications have been refused due to lack of sensitivity to the existing building and context, the impact on amenity of neighbouring properties and the extent of solid brick in the proposed rear elevation.

In general applications have been met with objects on the basis of the impact of the extension on daylight and amenity of neighbouring properties, and noise and traffic disruption that would be caused by construction works in the area.

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RISE 3.0 Site Analysis 3.1 Site Photographs

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This image shows 17 Countess Road front facade as existing.

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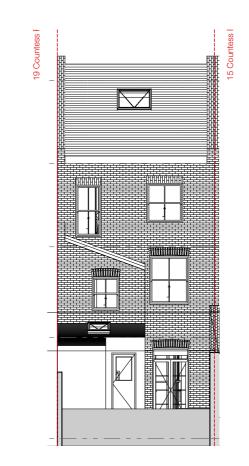
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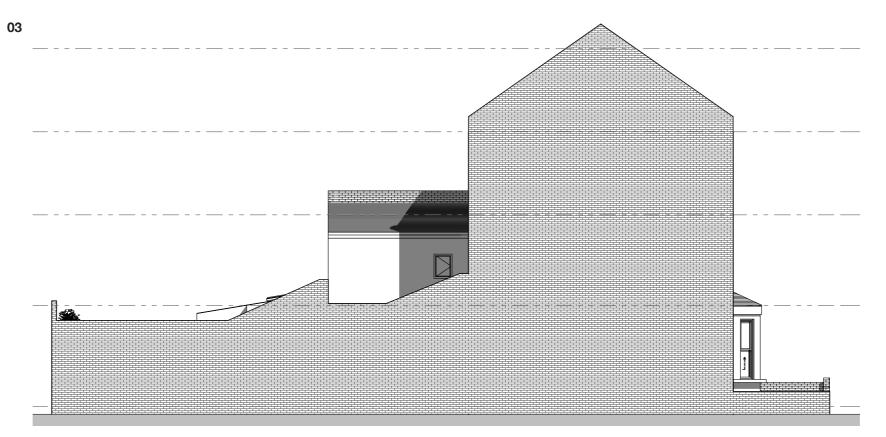


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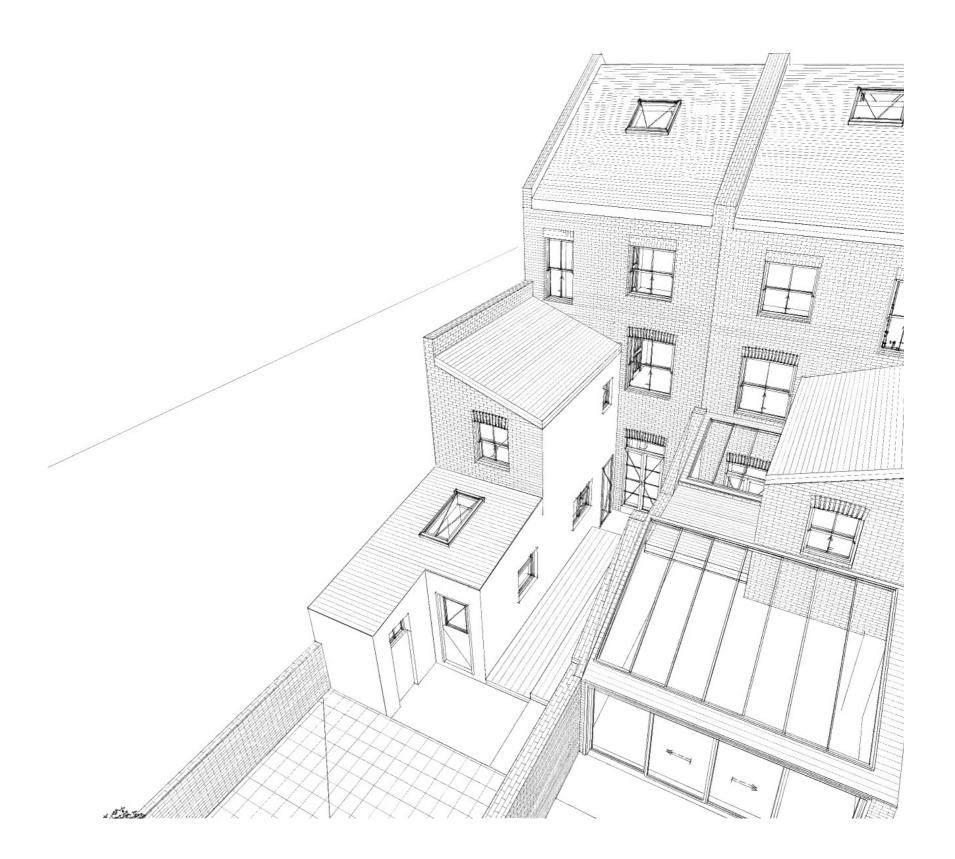
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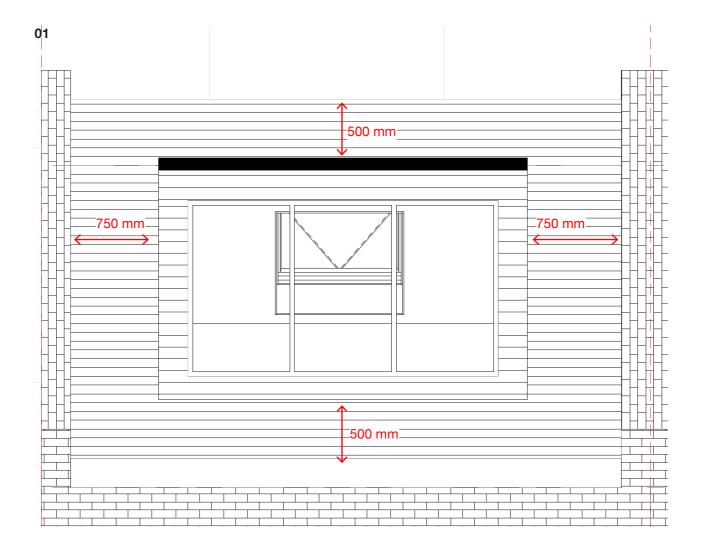
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#### 4.1 Massing

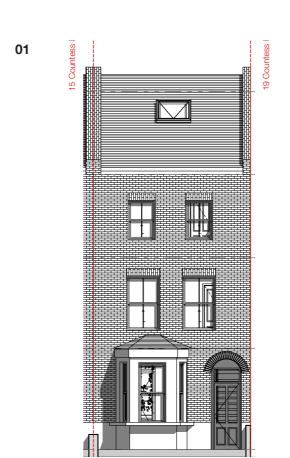
The scale and mass of the Dormer has been carefully considered with regards to the neighbouring properties. The proposal will step down along the ridge of the roof to avoid projecting into the roofline from the distance. The Dormer extension is set 500 mm from the edge of the roof inwards.

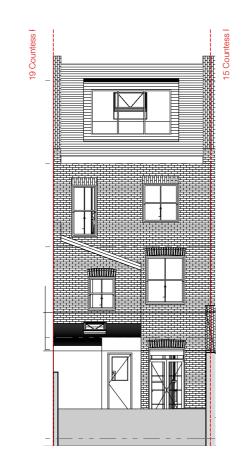
Our proposal follows the guidelines set out in Camden Planning Guidace: 5.0 Roof, Terraces and Balconies.

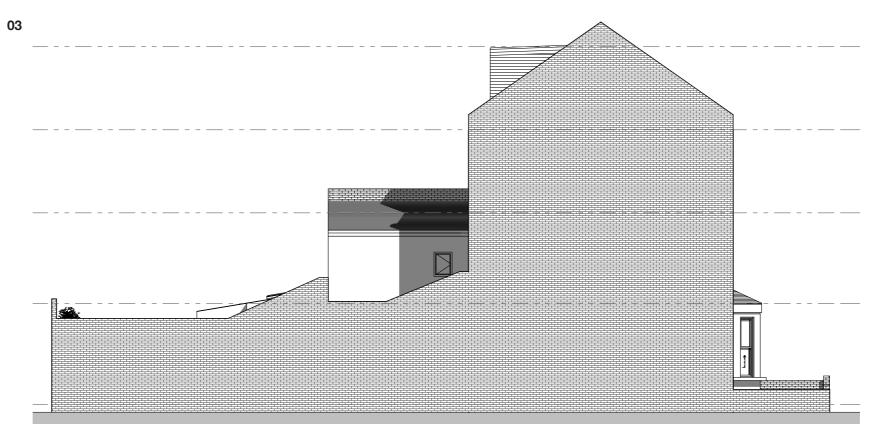


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