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Dear John

Planning Application 2016/2575/P: 9 Camden Mews

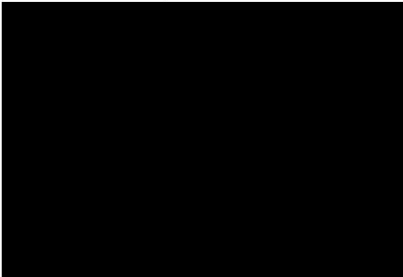
I am writing to you to object to the proposed development at 9 Camden Mews. I am a resident and the freeholder of 160 Camden Road which directly abuts the rear of 9 Camden Mews.

1. The application should be viewed in the context of the proposed change of use from an office to a residential space, about which I wrote to you in February this year, your reference 2016/0613/P.
 - 1.1. It is interesting to note that the application makes no reference to the change of use. Indeed, in sections 15, 18 and 19 the applicant implies that the space will continue to be used for office purposes. This, as is evident from previous correspondence, is clearly not the case: the proposed changes to windows both at the front and rear are a necessary requirement for residential use.
2. As noted in my earlier letter, the proposed development will significantly impact on our privacy.
 - 2.1. As you can see from the attached photograph taken from my garden, the windows directly overlook my property.
 - 2.2. These three fixed, i.e. they do not open, frosted glass windows were installed many years ago (my family has lived here since 1976) to provide light into the workshop/office on condition that they were frosted and did not open.
 - 2.3. I note that the new windows will continue to be opaque, but they will no longer be fixed. As such it will be possible for residents in the property to keep the windows open and have a clear view into our house and garden.
3. I should also add that in changing to residential accommodation and installing windows that can be opened the proposed development will have additional impact.
 - 3.1. Our security will be compromised through easy access to our property
 - 3.2. We will be subjected to considerable light pollution. When used as an office, the space was rarely used after dark. As residential accommodation this will no longer be the case.

4. Although only indirectly linked to the proposed development – though significant in the change of use to a residential space – I should point out the following
 - 4.1. There is no designated space for the storage and collection of waste, a critical issue for buildings in the mews.
 - 4.2. In keeping with Council policy, the property will not be eligible for a parking permit. Is the developer aware of this?

I would urge you to reject the proposed development.

Yours sincerely



David Blagbrough





