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Dear Mr Lester

**RE: 7 Lyme Street (Grade II, Mid C19); erection of side and rear dormer window extensions, basement and ground level side extension, side and rear doors at basement level and external spiral staircase**

Thank you for consulting the Victorian Society on this application. Having looked at the submitted plans and documents, we wish to register our **objection** to the proposals.

We concur with Historic England's comment on the scheme, that there is not enough information about the listed building or the impact of the proposals on it, for us to be able to make a proper assessment. Nevertheless, it is clear that the large roof extensions would entail a high level of harm to the heritage asset. Nos. 1-10 are listed as a group of semi-detached villas and the only noticeable difference between each pair (as built) is the alternating triangular and segmental pediments to the ground floor windows. That each villa forms part of a coherent group is an important part of their significance, as is each one being part of a symmetrical pair. The proposals would detract from these qualities in a very pronounced way, by considerably changing the roof profile of No.7. This would also result in the loss of a large amount of historic fabric.

We therefore advise that further information is required and that the roof extensions are omitted from any amended proposals.

Yours sincerely,

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