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Sent: 19 January 2017 15:07
To: Quigley, Elaine
Subject: PA 2017/0076/L

Dear Ms. Quigley,

PA 2017/0076/L No.8 Little Green Street

The above Planning Application has been brought to my attention in my capacity as urban historian. I am very familiar with this unique, cobbled street off the Highgate Road in north Kentish Town. The houses in it date from the 18th century and all are Listed. No 8, is rather higher than the others, and at some point its doorway has been modified, but the woodwork surrounding the door-frame leaves one in no doubt that the house was constructed at the same period as the more modest, ie. originally shop-houses, adjoining it. I have not had the opportunity to view the inside.

In view of No.8's age, Listing and unique situation, I would strongly suggest that the works proposed in the current Planning Application are far too extensive to be justified in any circumstances. The house is already more substantial than its neighbours. To attempt, as this PA does, to squeeze yet more accommodation into it - in effect, a whole other floor, reached by a new internal staircase, with substantial modification to the butterfly roof-line including two new dormers and a 'cupola' - seems quite unrealistic and out of keeping with the house's preserved character.

As to the proposed ground-floor rear-extension, while this is apparently designed to replace an existing ground floor rear-extension, the fact that the ancient boundary fence fronting College Lane is to be wholly demolished suggests that what is planned would extend much further than the existing rear-addition, and that it would in effect occupy the greater part of the small back garden.

I know that the feeling in Camden among those concerned with Planning and Conservation, is strongly, and rightly, opposed to greedy attempts to convert modest, Listed family houses into something other. I trust that you will reject this Application.

Sincerely,
Gillian Tindall FRSL