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To whom it may concern

This Committee is concerned that changes proposed for the Cleveland Street Workhouse will result in the loss of historical detail unless action is taken to ensure that a full archaeological survey is made of any buildings proposed for demolition within its curtilage - both before and during demolition. This would be much more thorough than a survey undertaken by the developer, whose main interest would be in refurbishing remaining heritage assets.

The Workhouse evolved over time, eventually becoming an Annex of the Middlesex Hospital. The history of such an evolution, in a range of extant buildings, is now unlikely to be found anywhere in London. One of the building is the Workhouse Master's house - not very grand, probably Victorian, but typical of tied accommodation, then a necessary provision.

The NPPF part 12 applies, in particular paragraph 128, which states that " ... in determining applications, local planning authorities should require an applicant to describe the **significance of any heritage assets** affected including any contribution made by **their setting**. The level of detail should be proportionate to the assets' importance." As a prerequisite the relevant historic environment record should have been consulted and the heritage assets assessed using appropriate expertise where necessary. Also, paragraph 129 which states that "Local Planning Authorities should identify and assess the particular significance of any heritage asset that may be affected by a proposal (including by development affecting the setting of a heritage asset), taking account of the available evidence and any necessary expertise. They should take this assessment into account when considering the impact of a proposal on a heritage asset, to avoid or minimise conflict between the **heritage asset's conservation** and any aspect of the proposal.

We urge you to make the commissioning of such a survey a condition for approving the application.

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