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2017/4021/P	Kenneth Blyth	27 Laurier Road London NW51SH	08/08/2017 22:56:02	COMMEM PER	<p>1. My main objection to the proposal concerns the western section of the vertical bronze wall facing south onto Laurier Road. There appears to be no convincing reason for it to be so high that it results in a roof sloping down from south to north. It appears from the application that the height of this western section of the south wall was chosen simply to make the top of the wall level with the top of the front wall of no.32B, even though the eastern section immediately adjoining 32B is itself lower. There seems no good reason for matching any part of the wall to that of the very different building at 32B, particularly a section of it which does not adjoin 32B. Talk on page 7 of the Design and Access section of the application of a tall building on the corner of Laurier Road and York Rise being "typically to be expected on a Nodal corner such as this" is, to put it mildly, unconvincing. The proposed western section of the bronze south wall is illustrated in Fig. 30 on page 17 of the Design and Access statement. The wall is too tall, top-heavy, and hideous.</p> <p>2. I recall that an earlier version of the proposal that was shown to local residents showed a rounded top edge to the south wall, which was less high than the one now proposed. That would be greatly preferable. Nothing in the application appears to suggest that loss of internal height along that stretch of the south side of the building would affect the internal design of that floor.</p> <p>3. The application suggests that only 2 properties would be affected by the loss of sunlight and daylight. Not so. If the western section of the north wall remained as high as is currently proposed, houses on the opposite side of Laurier Road would also be affected, by loss of evening sunlight and of views of the Heath.</p> <p>4. The original choice of 9 August as the date by which comments on the application had to be submitted was unreasonable in view of the absence of residents on holiday. It is good to have been told that 9 August is no longer a deadline.</p>
