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# Daylight and Sunlight Study 1 Rose Joan Mews, London NW6 1DQ

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#### **1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

#### 1.1 Overview

- 1.1.1 Right of Light Consulting has been commissioned by Sharesense Limited to undertake a daylight and sunlight study of the proposed development at 1 Rose Joan Mews, London NW6 1DQ.
- 1.1.2 The aim of the study is to assess the impact of the development on the light receivable by the neighbouring properties at 94 & 98 Fortune Green Road and 15 Rose Joan Mews. The study is based on the various numerical tests laid down in the Building Research Establishment (BRE) guide 'Site Layout Planning for Daylight and Sunlight: a guide to good practice' by P J Littlefair 2011.
- 1.1.3 The window key in Appendix 1 identifies the windows analysed in this study. Appendix 2 gives the numerical results of the various daylight and sunlight tests. The results confirm that all neighbouring windows pass the BRE diffuse daylight and direct sunlight tests. The development also satisfies the BRE overshadowing to gardens and open spaces requirements.
- 1.1.4 In summary, the proposed development will have a low impact on the light receivable by its neighbouring properties. Right of Light Consulting confirms that the development design satisfies all of the requirements set out in the BRE guide 'Site Layout Planning for Daylight and Sunlight'.

## 2 INFORMATION SOURCES

#### 2.1 Documents Considered

#### 2.1.1 This report is based on drawings:

## Lewis Berkerley Architects

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#### Haddon Few Montuschi Architects

E100	Existing Ground Floor Plan	Rev –
E101	Existing First Floor Plan	Rev –
E103	Existing Plan in Context	Rev –
SK001	Sketch Ground Floor Plan	Rev A
SK002	Sketch First Floor Plan	Rev B

## 3 METHODOLOGY OF THE STUDY

#### 3.1 BRE Guide : Site Layout Planning for Daylight and Sunlight

- 3.1.1 The study is based on the various numerical tests laid down in the Building Research Establishment (BRE) guide 'Site Layout Planning for Daylight and Sunlight: a guide to good practice' by P J Littlefair 2011. In general, the BRE tests are based on the requirements of the British Standard, BS 8206 Part 2.
- 3.1.2 The standards set out in the BRE guide are intended to be used flexibly. The following statement is quoted directly from the BRE guide:
- 3.1.3 "The guide is intended for building designers and their clients, consultants and planning officials. The advice given here is not mandatory and the guide should not be seen as an instrument of planning policy; its aim is to help rather than constrain the designer. Although it gives numerical guidelines, these should be interpreted flexibly, since natural lighting is only one of many factors in site layout design."

#### 3.2 Daylight to Windows

3.2.1 Diffuse daylight is the light received from the sun which has been diffused through the sky. Even on a cloudy day, when the sun is not visible, a room will continue to be lit with light from the sky. This is diffuse daylight.

Diffuse daylight calculations should be undertaken to all rooms where daylight is required, including living rooms, kitchens and bedrooms. Usually, if a kitchen is less than 13m<sup>2</sup>, it is considered to be a non-habitable room and the daylight tests need not be applied. The BRE guide states that windows to bathrooms, toilets, storerooms, circulation areas and garages need not be analysed.

3.2.2 The BRE guide contains two tests which measure diffuse daylight:

#### 3.2.3 Test 1 Vertical Sky Component

The percentage of the sky visible from the centre of a window is known as the Vertical Sky Component. Diffuse daylight may be adversely affected if after a development the Vertical Sky Component is both less than 27% and less than 0.8 times its former value.

#### 3.2.4 Test 2 Daylight Distribution

The BRE guide states that where room layouts are known, the impact on the daylighting distribution can be found by plotting the 'no sky line' in each of the main rooms. The no sky line is a line which separates areas of the working plane that do and do not have a direct view of the sky. Daylight may be adversely affected if, after the development, the area of the working plane in a room which can receive direct skylight is reduced to less than 0.8 times its former value.

#### 3.3 Sunlight availability to Windows

- 3.3.1 The BRE sunlight tests should be applied to all main living rooms and conservatories which have a window which faces within 90 degrees of due south. The guide states that kitchens and bedrooms are less important, although care should be taken not to block too much sunlight.
- 3.3.2 The BRE guide states that sunlight availability may be adversely affected if the centre of the window:
  - receives less than 25% of annual probable sunlight hours, or less than 5% of annual probable sunlight hours between 21 September and 21 March and
  - receives less than 0.8 times its former sunlight hours during either period and
  - has a reduction in sunlight received over the whole year greater than 4% of annual probable sunlight hours.

#### 3.4 Overshadowing to Gardens and Open Spaces

- 3.4.1 The availability of sunlight should be checked for all open spaces where sunlight is required. This would normally include:
  - Gardens, usually the main back garden of a house
  - Parks and playing fields
  - Children's playgrounds
  - Outdoor swimming pools and paddling pools
  - Sitting out areas, such as those between non-domestic buildings and in public squares
  - Focal points for views such as a group of monuments or fountains.

3.4.2 The BRE guide recommends that at least 50% of the area of each amenity space listed above should receive at least two hours of sunlight on 21 March. If as a result of new development an existing garden or amenity area does not meet the above, and the area which can receive two hours of sunlight on 21 March is less than 0.8 times its former value, then the loss of light is likely to be noticeable.

## 4 RESULTS OF THE STUDY

#### 4.1 Windows & Amenity Areas Considered

4.1.1 Appendix 1 provides a plan and photographs to indicate the positions of the windows and garden analysed in this study.

#### 4.2 Numerical Results

4.2.1 Appendix 2 lists the detailed numerical daylight and sunlight test results. The results are interpreted below.

#### 4.3 Daylight to Windows

4.3.1 All main habitable room windows pass the Vertical Sky Component test and, where room layouts are known, all rooms pass the Daylight Distribution test. The proposed development therefore satisfies the BRE daylight requirements.

#### 4.4 Sunlight to Windows

4.4.1 All windows which face within 90 degrees of due south have been tested for direct sunlight. All windows pass both the total annual sunlight hours test and the winter sunlight hours test (annual probable sunlight hours between 21 September and 21 March). The proposed development therefore satisfies the BRE direct sunlight to windows requirements.

#### 4.5 Overshadowing to Gardens and Open Spaces

4.5.1 The proposed development will not create any new areas which receive less than two hours of sunlight on 21 March. The before/after ratio is 1 (no loss) and the proposed development therefore passes the BRE overshadowing to gardens and open spaces test.

#### 4.6 Conclusion

4.6.1 The proposed development will have a low impact on the light receivable by its neighbouring properties. Right of Light Consulting confirms that the development design satisfies all of the requirements set out in the BRE guide 'Site Layout Planning for Daylight and Sunlight'.

#### **5** CLARIFICATIONS

#### 5.1 General

- 5.1.1 The report provided is solely for the use of the client and no liability to anyone else is accepted.
- 5.1.2 We have undertaken the survey following the guidelines of the RICS publication "Surveying Safely".
- 5.1.3 We have used our best endeavours to ensure all relevant windows within the neighbouring properties have been identified.
- 5.1.4 Where limited access is available, assumptions will have been made.
- 5.1.5 We have adopted the conventional approach of assessing all habitable rooms within domestic properties.
- 5.1.6 This report is based upon and subject to the scope of work set out in Right of Light Consulting's quotation and standard terms and conditions.
- 5.1.7 Right of Light Consulting have endeavoured to include in the report those matters, which they have knowledge of or of which they have been made aware, that might adversely affect the validity of the opinion given.

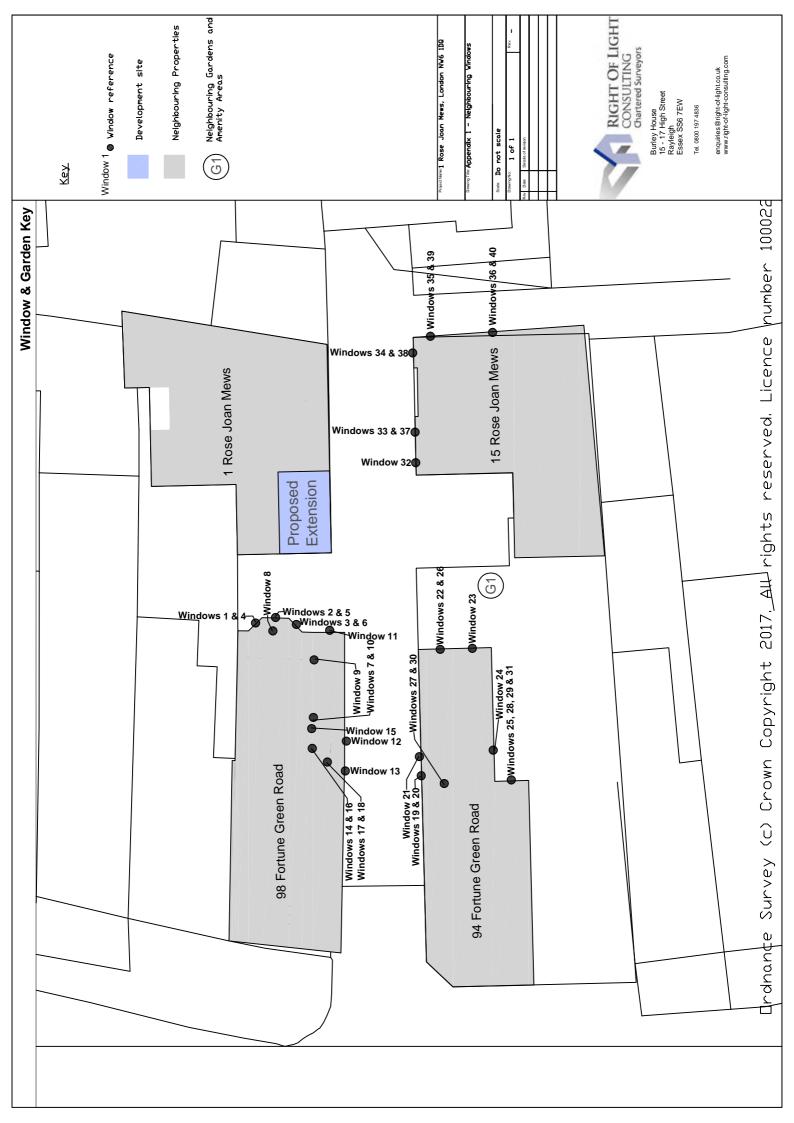
#### 5.2 Project Specific

5.2.1 None.

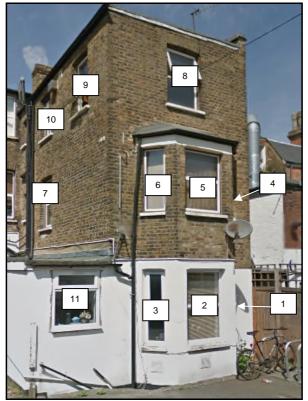
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## **APPENDIX 1**

WINDOW & GARDEN KEY



## Neighbouring Windows



98 Fortune Green Road



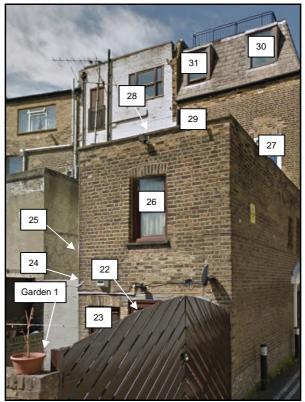
98 Fortune Green Road



98 Fortune Green Road



94 Fortune Green Road



94 Fortune Green Road



15 Rose Joan Mews



15 Rose Joan Mews

**APPENDIX 2** 

DAYLIGHT AND SUNLIGHT RESULTS

## Appendix 2 - Vertical Sky Component 1 Rose Joan Mews, London NW6 1DQ

Reference	Use Class	N	/ertical Sky C	Component	
		Before	After	Loss	Ratio
98 Fortune Green Road					
Window 1	Office	25.4%	24.6%	0.8%	0.97
Window 2	Office	21.6%	16.8%	4.8%	0.78
Window 3	Office	24.4%	20.7%	3.7%	0.85
Window 4	Bedroom	32.0%	31.2%	0.8%	0.98
Window 5	Bedroom	29.9%	25.0%	4.9%	0.84
Window 6	Bedroom	32.4%	28.7%	3.7%	0.89
Window 7	Bedroom	24.3%	24.2%	0.1%	1.0
Window 8	Kitchen	39.5%	39.5%	0.0%	1.0
Window 9	Kitchen	33.7%	33.6%	0.1%	1.0
Window 10	Kitchen	31.3%	31.3%	0.0%	1.0
Window 11	Habitable	23.3%	20.4%	2.9%	0.88
Window 12	Habitable	12.6%	12.6%	0.0%	1.0
Window 13	Consultation Area	10.5%	10.5%	0.0%	1.0
Window 14	Hall	19.8%	19.8%	0.0%	1.0
Window 15	Bathroom	30.4%	30.4%	0.0%	1.0
Window 16	Bathroom	23.7%	23.7%	0.0%	1.0
Window 17	Kitchen	22.3%	22.2%	0.1%	1.0
Window 18	Bedroom	36.7%	36.7%	0.0%	1.0
94 Fortune Green Road					
Window 19	Habitable	0.7%	0.7%	0.0%	1.0
Window 20	Habitable	15.5%	15.4%	0.1%	0.99
Window 21	Habitable	16.7%	16.6%	0.1%	0.99
Window 22	Kitchen	27.6%	26.9%	0.7%	0.97
Window 23	Kitchen	26.1%	25.6%	0.5%	0.98
Window 24	Kitchen	2.6%	2.6%	0.0%	1.0
Window 25	Habitable	6.5%	6.5%	0.0%	1.0
Window 26	Habitable	35.0%	34.6%	0.4%	0.99
Window 27	Habitable	38.3%	38.3%	0.0%	1.0
Window 28	Habitable	29.6%	29.6%	0.0%	1.0
Window 29	Habitable	39.4%	39.4%	0.0%	1.0
Window 30	Habitable	39.5%	39.5%	0.0%	1.0
Window 31	Habitable	39.4%	39.4%	0.0%	1.0

## Appendix 2 - Vertical Sky Component 1 Rose Joan Mews, London NW6 1DQ

Reference	Use Class	١			
		Before	After	Loss	Ratio
15 Rose Joan Mews					
Window 32	Living / Dining / Kitchen	13.8%	11.5%	2.3%	0.83
Window 33	Living / Dining / Kitchen	11.5%	9.6%	1.9%	0.83
Window 34	Living / Dining / Kitchen	23.1%	22.7%	0.4%	0.98
Window 35	Living / Dining / Kitchen	30.9%	30.9%	0.0%	1.0
Window 36	Living / Dining / Kitchen	30.3%	30.3%	0.0%	1.0
Window 37	Bathroom	25.9%	24.7%	1.2%	0.95
Window 38	Bedroom	32.3%	32.2%	0.1%	1.0
Window 39	Bedroom	39.5%	39.5%	0.0%	1.0
Window 40	Bedroom	39.5%	39.5%	0.0%	1.0

## Appendix 2 - Daylight Distribution 1 Rose Joan Mews, London NW6 1DQ

Reference	Use Class		Daylight Dis	stribution	
		Before	After	Loss	Ratio
98 Fortune Green Road					
Window 1	Office	90%	75%	15.0%	0.83
Window 2	Office	90%	75%	15.0%	0.83
Window 3	Office	90%	75%	15.0%	0.83
Window 4	Bedroom	100%	100%	0.0%	1.0
Window 5	Bedroom	100%	100%	0.0%	1.0
Window 6	Bedroom	100%	100%	0.0%	1.0
Window 7	Bedroom	100%	100%	0.0%	1.0
Window 8	Kitchen	97%	97%	0.0%	1.0
Window 9	Kitchen	97%	97%	0.0%	1.0
Window 10	Kitchen	97%	97%	0.0%	1.0
Window 11	Habitable	94%	90%	4.0%	0.96
Window 12	Habitable	6%	6%	0.0%	1.0
Window 13	Consultation Area	29%	29%	0.0%	1.0
Window 14	Hall	60%	60%	0.0%	1.0
Window 15	Bathroom	77%	77%	0.0%	1.0
Window 16	Bathroom	69%	69%	0.0%	1.0
Window 17	Kitchen	97%	97%	0.0%	1.0
Window 18	Bedroom	95%	95%	0.0%	1.0
94 Fortune Green Road					
Window 19	Habitable	1%	1%	0.0%	1.0
Window 20	Habitable	30%	30%	0.0%	1.0
Window 21	Habitable	30%	30%	0.0%	1.0
Window 22	Kitchen	99%	99%	0.0%	1.0
Window 23	Kitchen	99%	99%	0.0%	1.0
Window 24	Kitchen	99%	99%	0.0%	1.0
Window 25	Habitable	50%	50%	0.0%	1.0
Window 26	Habitable	96%	96%	0.0%	1.0
Window 27	Habitable	99%	99%	0.0%	1.0
Window 28	Habitable	96%	96%	0.0%	1.0
Window 29	Habitable	96%	96%	0.0%	1.0
Window 30	Habitable	82%	82%	0.0%	1.0
Window 31	Habitable	83%	83%	0.0%	1.0

## Appendix 2 - Daylight Distribution 1 Rose Joan Mews, London NW6 1DQ

Reference	Use Class				
		Before	After	Loss	Ratio
15 Rose Joan Mews					
Window 32	Living / Dining / Kitchen	94%	94%	0.0%	1.0
Window 33	Living / Dining / Kitchen	94%	94%	0.0%	1.0
Window 34	Living / Dining / Kitchen	94%	94%	0.0%	1.0
Window 35	Living / Dining / Kitchen	94%	94%	0.0%	1.0
Window 36	Living / Dining / Kitchen	94%	94%	0.0%	1.0
Window 37	Bathroom	77%	77%	0.0%	1.0
Window 38	Bedroom	97%	97%	0.0%	1.0
Window 39	Bedroom	97%	97%	0.0%	1.0
Window 40	Bedroom	97%	97%	0.0%	1.0

## Appendix 2 - Sunlight to Windows 1 Rose Joan Mews, London NW6 1DQ

	Sunlight to Windows								
Reference	Use Class	Т	Total Sunlight Hours				inter Sur	nlight Ho	urs
		Before	After	Loss	Ratio	Before	After	Loss	Ratio
98 Fortune Green Road									
Window 2	Office	35%	25%	10%	0.71	11%	11%	0%	1.0
Window 3	Office	39%	34%	5%	0.87	11%	11%	0%	1.0
Window 5	Bedroom	42%	31%	11%	0.74	14%	12%	2%	0.86
Window 6	Bedroom	54%	45%	9%	0.83	19%	17%	2%	0.89
Window 7	Bedroom	57%	57%	0%	1.0	14%	14%	0%	1.0
Window 8	Kitchen	50%	50%	0%	1.0	15%	15%	0%	1.0
Window 9	Kitchen	80%	80%	0%	1.0	24%	24%	0%	1.0
Window 10	Kitchen	70%	70%	0%	1.0	20%	20%	0%	1.0
Window 11	Habitable	37%	37%	0%	1.0	12%	12%	0%	1.0
Window 12	Habitable	36%	36%	0%	1.0	2%	2%	0%	1.0
Window 13	Consultation Area	33%	33%	0%	1.0	3%	3%	0%	1.0
Window 14	Hall	48%	48%	0%	1.0	12%	12%	0%	1.0
Window 15	Bathroom	68%	68%	0%	1.0	20%	20%	0%	1.0
Window 16	Bathroom	51%	51%	0%	1.0	17%	17%	0%	1.0
Window 17	Kitchen	45%	45%	0%	1.0	15%	15%	0%	1.0
Window 18	Bedroom	49%	49%	0%	1.0	15%	15%	0%	1.0
94 Fortune Green Road									
Window 24	Kitchen	7%	7%	0%	1.0	0%	0%	0%	1.0

## Appendix 2 - Overshadowing to Gardens and Open Spaces 1 Rose Joan Mews, London NW6 1DQ

Reference	Total Area	Area receiving at least two hours of sunlight on 21st March						
		Before		After		Loss		Ratio
94 Fortune Green Road								
Garden 1	20.3 m2	11.53 m2	57%	11.53 m2	57%	0.0 m2	0%	1.0

**APPENDIX 3** 

OVERSHADOWING TO GARDENS AND OPEN SPACES

