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I wish to object to the application to amend the design of the house at 18 Lancaster Grove. My reasoning is as follows:

1. The new proposed design is totally out of keeping with the other houses in the area. I note it is very similar to the proposed design that was rejected by Camden Planning in 2016. I see no reason to look at this version any differently.
2. It seems hypocritical of the applicant to say now that the new design is “a hybrid pastiche” and that the central pediment “does not add anything in design terms” when they were described it in such glowing terms in the original application.
3. There is no explanation as to how this proposed brutal front preserves or enhances the character of the conservation area. Most houses on that side of the street have gables not stark corners and flat copings. The previous application was put forward as being sympathetic to the traditional Arts and Crafts Design of the local area – this new plan is anything but that...
4. The details of the windows and hips add character to the building which has been totally stripped away creating a vast bland frontage that looks totally imposing and out of proportion on the street since it makes no attempt to blend in with the surroundings.
5. The applicants appear to have already built the house and windows to their new desired plan, totally ignoring the plans that have been approved (and indeed ignoring the fact that a similar design to the one they have constructed was rejected). If the Council is to allow applicants to run roughshod over the planning rules, then everyone will just build what they want without any regard for what they have agreed with the council and local neighbours.

The applicant rightly states correctly that many (probably all) neighbours did indeed express concern over the bulk of the building design that was approved. I am one of those neighbours and I was very disappointed that they received approval for their plan. However, I find the new plan to give the impression of even greater bulk and so object even more strongly to the proposed amendments. They must not be allowed to ignore planning rules and create and even worse visual monstrosity in the village.

Please retain the integrity of the planning process and the cohesion, look and feel of the village and REJECT the proposed new plans.

Many thanks

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