

**Hazelton, Laura**

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**From:** architect [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 20 October 2017 08:06  
**To:** Hazelton, Laura  
**Subject:** RE: objection to 70 Oakley Square London and comments on 41 Arlington Road also...

Thank you Laura,

A small aside, number 41 Arlington Road grew a ridiculous greenhouse at first floor level - not unlike Oakley Square, except after many years (and being replaced once with an even less auspicious greenhouse), it is now 'lawful'. The problem comes in being allowed to replace this carbuncle with another one, and being allowed to use it as habitable space (it was always only a laundry/utility room).

While the original greenhouse was a simple utility aluminium model, its current replacement has plastic fleur-de-lys ridge ornament, but rebuilding it again in 'timber' (no details given for framing, or glazing type etc.), hardly addresses the issue of historic accuracy, as the original was a greenhouse on a poor flat roof extension with no planning consent and not a conservatory.

This all seems farcical and simply prolongs the harm done to the rear elevation which is visible from Mornington Street - one of the few views along the rear of a terrace that was once a fairly common part of the Camden Town streetscape but is now exceptionally rare due to infilling. I understand others have objected to the recent application, I would like to add my objection to this proposal also.

Any permission given for a replacement will set a dangerous precedent for similar additions at this level - something that has been resisted for a long time for good reason due to the small scale of these houses which would result in unacceptable overlooking/privacy issues.

I am so pleased that Neave Brown is now an RIBA Gold Medallist - Camden should be proud of their Borough Architect - every one of his social housing schemes in Camden is now listed. Lovely chap too.

Best,

