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To: Planning [REDACTED]

Cc: Hugh Cullum [REDACTED]

Subject: for Thomas Sild - comments from Bloomsbury CAAC on 4 Flitcroft Street

Dear Thomas Sild,

I am writing with comments from Bloomsbury CAAC on the application 2018/2348/P.

I am sorry to be late with these comments.

I have tried several times today to get to see the plans online, but the link does not work, and I am getting this notice - 'Server Error in '/HPRMWebDrawer Application'.

So these comments are based on what we had already printed out and discussed at our last meeting; these print-outs do not include a proposed elevation drawing.

We do not object in principle to the left and central bays of the current ground floor elevation being altered: the roller shutters in particular are an eyesore and clearly not original.

We do not object in principle either to the proposed change of use of the ground floor as a restaurant.

But the division of the elevation into three bays must be preserved at ground level in some way, ideally by retaining some of the original masonry, so as to reflect the architecture above.

The proposed plan shows, to the left of the two new doorways on the right, an area of uninterrupted glass (a new glass entrance to the restaurant space, and a ten-fold folding window, presumably full height), and this is not acceptable.

In the right-hand bay, the current entrance doorway, aligned with the windows above, should in principle be retained. The division between access to the residential floors above and the office space in the basement should be created internally, and not in the form of two separate exterior doors here (making three together with the restaurant's glass door).

We have no objection to the removal of the stucco if the aim is to restore the original brick.

Yours sincerely, Hero Granger-Taylor, member of Bloomsbury CAAC, representing Camden Civic Society