

## Hazelton, Laura

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Dear Laura

With regards to the latest response from the applicant representatives, we would like to make the following comments:

- ∞ No specialist hired by the applicant has mentioned the need for a relocation and lowering of the pool - this has only been suggested by the developer. The latest letter from the BA engineer's dated 9<sup>th</sup> October, merely reiterates what was stated in their initial report: a complete reconstruction would be more effective and less costly than a forensic examination and repair.

As mentioned previously, straight after acquiring the property, we were approached on the applicants behalf to find out whether we would be interested in having the pool relocated to our property

- ∞ Gowan's elevation of the pool was intentional - viewing sky and trees whilst bathing were important considerations of the design. If it is necessary to demolish the pool to ensure it will not leak, it is vital it remains in its original location. Lowering and relocating the pool would further devalue its authenticity and decrease the likelihood of the building regaining its listing after demolition.
- ∞ The applicant states the new lowered location will 'improve and return the setting of the building to the architects original intention'.  
The pool in it proposed new lower position will
  - i. be at street level and closer to the traffic
  - ii. be impinged and cornered by 2 high, dark walls
  - iii. have increased loom from Boncara due to lowering .

*This location would never have been the architects intention.*

- ∞ The applicant will remove the hedge if the pool is relocated/lowered, revealing Boncara which is currently almost completely obscured by greenery.
- ∞ A 'lowering and cornering' of this unique piece of our architectural heritage would be a detrimental and irreversible change of benefit to nobody other than the developer.

Please could you post these comments on the relevant page.

Many thanks and best wishes

Simon and Virginia Kirsch