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Planning Application 2019/1295/P The Albert Public House, 11 Princess Road, NW1.

I would like to submit a comment fully supporting the above planning application on the following grounds:


Overview:

The applicant and architects have proposed a scheme that is sensitive to the existing building and garden while making essential improvements vital to the operation of the premises as a 21st century public house.


Points:

1. The creation of an accessible W.C. at ground floor level will greatly enhance the amenity of the pub and is rightfully a compulsory requirement in planning law for the building or refurbishment of public spaces.
2. The existing conservatory was never really fit for purpose and had no design relationship with the bulk of the main building. The proposed new structure would have many benefits including additional indoor seating, a green 'sedum' roof helping the environment and crucially would have minimal impact on the outdoor space being set back from the existing conservatory footprint. The aesthetic of the proposed structure is also much more visually pleasing and at harmony with the rear elevation of The Albert. In operating hours the folding doors would create a smooth transition between the heart of the pub and its beautiful garden.
3. The relocation of the main toilets to the basement level is an excellent part of the application. It will free up space for the accessible W.C. on the ground floor and the slightly enlarged conservatory while replacing what were existing facilities of a very poor standard.
4. The applicant appears to have carefully considered the value of the garden at the premises both in terms of driving revenues and as an important asset to the community. These plans seem to be inspired by an ambition to protect the bulk of the outside space in an acknowledgement of its importance to the overall successful operation of the pub.
5. In conclusion this application seems tailor-made to ensure a positive future for The Albert pub as a viable anchor business, a good neighbour and a most welcome community hub in Primrose Hill.

For the reasons above I would urge that this planning application be granted.


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