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2019/5284/P	Camden Town Conservation Area Advisory Committee	09/11/2019 23:46:32	OBJ	The Camden Town Conservation Area Advisory Committee strongly objects to the proposed brick choice, and also to the colour and specification of the glazing and doors.
				Unfortunately the approved scheme for this site is scaleless in its details, bland and relates very poorly to its context. The proposed materials are also very bland and will do nothing to mitigate the lack of fine-scaled detailing that would be helpful in ensuring that the new building does not detrimentally affect its Listed neighbour at 104, and relates better to the small houses opposite.
				The proposed brick shows too little variation in colour and surface texture, and the CAAC believes that the facade will thus appear very similar to the poor quality building which replaced 100-102 Arlington Road (formerly the Crown & Goose Public House to the south of the Listed Tram shed at 104, which is immediately to adjacent to the application site).
				The proposals will neither enhance nor conserve the Conservation Area and therefore should be rejected.
				In terms of local context 122 Arlington Road, the immediate neighbour to the north of the site, has red-multi stock brick above its painted rendered ground floor. The Tram sheds and houses opposite the site are of old yellow stock brick which, owing to weathering, soot staining and being hand-made, appear as a variety of colours from yellow to almost black. The one building in the street whose materials do not enhance the Conservation Area, 100 Arlington Road, is that which has the closest materiality to what is proposed for this site.
				The bricks for this site therefore need to be of higher quality and greater subtle variety than the current proposal. The bricks also need to take into account the fact that there is already a surfeit of overly bright and undifferentiated brickwork to the south.
				NB The CGIs which accompany the original application (and also the current one for discharge of conditions) include the original Crown and Goose pub and not its poor quality replacement. We note that the Crown and Goose pub had interesting chequerboard brickwork which enlivened the street: inclusions and a variety of colours gave its facade a softness that enhanced the street scene.
				In regards to the proposed colour of the window framing and associated panels the RAL 9013 "grey brown" will appear both drab and monotonous. Whist there are other buildings with a not dissimilar colour of glazing frame (104 and 142 Arlington Road) these windows are far more subservient within the overall facade and do not have large spandrel panels of the same colour in addition to the frames. We note also that the framing system itself is very flat and will inevitably look cheap and flimsy in such a monolithic facade. It is even more important therefore that the colour of the system is not a depressing dark grey brown. We would also suggest that a more three-dimensional framing system is utilised to give the facade greater depth and modelling.

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2019/5284/P	Hillary	10/11/2019 21:14:39	OBJ	I wish to object to the horrible choice of brick for this building. It is most unfortunate that the overall detail was accepted so long ago and that we now have no choice to the overall bland and ugly mass of this proposed new building, which sits so badly against the listed building next door and the pleasant small scale houses opposite and along the same side of the street. I wish also to object to the proposed colour and specification of the doors and the window glazing.	
				The suggested brick colour completely fails to lessen the overall impact of such a building which itself is entirely lacking in any of the attractive detailing that characterises neighbouring buildings. It will not sit in any harmony with the local brick colours of red multi stock and old yellow stock brick which has weathered so well and in good variety.	
				The bricks eventually agreed for this site therefore need to be of much better quality and more attractively varied than in the current proposal. They also need to be of a colour to reduce the overall surfeit of overly bright and unvaried brickwork south of the site.	
				It should be noted that the images accompanying the original application (and also the current one for "discharge of conditions") include the original Crown and Goose pub and not its ugly replacement (as well as referring to the back of Somerfield - long ago the Co-op, later Waitrose and now Aldi). The old Crown and Goose building had interesting chequerboard brickwork which improved the streetscape and it is misleading to show it on the application for these most objectionably coloured and boringly undetailed bricks for the new infill building.	
				The proposed windows and doors will inevitably look cheapskate and flimsy in such a boring frontage and should be specified to a higher standard with more interesting detail.	
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2019/5284/P	Hannah Nicholson	10/11/2019 01:27:59	OBJNOT	I wish to OBJECT to the materials proposed for this new building on the grounds that they are ugly and not in keeping with the neighbouring listed buildings, notably the tram shed at 104 Arlington Road. The developers should attempt to use bricks/materials that blend in to the streetscape and enhance the area rather than detracting from it. Many of Victorian terraced properties opposite are listed/ in a conservation area - indeed my house on the far side of Delancey St(going south) is. I urge the council to reject this application and require the developer to resubmit a more fitting/sympathetic proposal.	