London Borough of Camden

Planning Department 2nd Floor, 5 Pancras Square, c/o Town Hall, Judd Street, London WC1H 9IE

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PSSR 7157

Dear Charles Thuaire

Re: 2019/1631/P - Erection of Ground Floor rear/side extension and rear $1^{st}/2^{nd}$ Floor rear extension to accommodate internal lift to all floors for disabled resident at 52 Savernake Road, London, NW3 2JP

The whole point of this application is to empower this wheelchair user to have a family life and to be able to access different floors. Giving him the possibility to reach the terrace is something that will give him a lot of consolation and a tremendous feeling of satisfaction, as well as being able to access the top floor.

Considering the aerial views provided by the planning authorities on the 11th of November 2019, a conservatory placed within the rear wing width on the terrace level is not an unordinary proposal, most recent developments had permission from the planning department for such design. Accommodating the lift within our proposed area, it will not damage the original characteristic of the house within this conservation area but will make an enormous difference in this wheelchair user's life. This location allows the lift to be served within the circulation area.

If the lift is located in other areas, the next purchaser shall undo all the disability changes, however, if it is placed within the circulation areas, it will provide an adequate and suitable design for all users. Additionally, it is inevitable to point out that it will bring a loss of privacy throughout the property and destroy the original room's design.

Fire prevention methodology is part of building regulations therefore, lobbies shall be designed to salve guard the residents in case of fire for at least thirty minutes, and to accommodate lobbies, more internal space would have to be sacrificed to meet these building control regulations and to ensure a happy family life to this disabled resident.

We are avoiding an unfriendly space and forced design, not suitable for a happy and sustainable family life. Instead, we are opening different possibilities for this resident, for instance, allowing him to access his daughter's bedrooms on the second floor. It will be six steps and with further development, introducing an inclined platform stairlift it will make it possible.

Our proposal of making the terrace level reachable is not out of context comparing to adjacent properties but, will hugely affect his personal family life.

Yours sincerely,

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