

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2019/5986/L	Edwin Johnson	07/02/2020 14:25:23	COMMNT	I wish to make an objection to this application.

I occupy a flat in Lincoln's Inn which looks out directly over the New Hall. I also work from a room on the second floor of 9 Old Square, which also looks out directly over the New Hall.

In summary, my objection is that the proposed floodlighting of the New Hall will have an adverse impact upon those who live and work in the Inn. Excessive artificial light is not conducive to the wellbeing of those who live and work in the Inn. External artificial light within the Inn should be restricted to what is required for the safety and security of those living and working in the Inn.

There is quite enough artificial lighting within Lincoln's Inn as it is. The position, in terms of nocturnal light pollution, has recently been made worse, by the construction of the Ashworth Centre. The internal lights within the Centre are kept on at night, and throw out light through the skylights, directly on to the buildings on the western side of the Old Square. The proposed new lighting will make this situation worse.

It is obviously not reasonable to expect an area like Lincoln's Inn to be in total darkness at night. The Inn is however quite adequately lit as matters stand. I cannot see or understand the benefit of floodlighting the New Hall. It is not necessary. It will create an unwelcome lit environment at night for those who, like myself, live and work within the Inn. It is not conducive to wellbeing. It also strikes me as being out of step with current environmental concerns.

I would ask that the application be refused, in the interests of those who live and work in the Inn.

Edwin Johnson
Lincoln's Inn
7/2/2020
