



HAMPSTEAD NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

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Joshua Ogunleye
Development Management
Regeneration and Planning
London Borough of Camden

Re: 2020/2813/P, 40 Downshire Hill

Dear Mr Ogunleye,

This proposal will make changes to a listed building that, taken together, are quite extensive. The Forum's comment focuses on two of the proposed alternations.

The front extension to create a new front door/ vestibule would significantly reduce the pairness with No.39. The two houses were built as a pair and are listed as such. (See link [here](#)). This remains a feature even though, as the applicant notes, the original side entrance of No.40 was long ago subsumed into the construction of No.40A. Policy DH2 of the Hampstead Neighbourhood Plan states that development should protect original features that make a positive contribution to the Conservation Area. On this basis, the Forum recommends that Camden refuse this part of the application.

The Forum also questions the proposal to replace the original rear window on the raised ground floor with a door and to add a balcony. We suggest that this aspect of the application may go too far in altering the original fabric of the house.

Yours sincerely,

Alexander Nicoll
Hampstead Neighbourhood Forum