

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2020/3150/P	Sanya Polescuk on behalf of Belsize Society	19/09/2020 18:01:23	OBJ	<p>The proposed excavation of soft landscaping in the front garden presents an objectionable loss of greenery for the Conservation Area. The existing garden is replaced by a combination of fully paved patio and largely-paved area between the patio and the garden wall.</p> <p>This is contrary to the original concept of the Italianate Villas designed to sit in landscaped gardens, away from the public pavement and shielded by trees and bushes. The minimal amount of the retained soft landscaping in the proposal will be incapable of supporting extensive planting.</p> <p>Combined with the fully-paved drive, the proposed amount of impermeable surfacing will put strain on the already stretched municipal system for surface water drainage and exacerbate flooding.</p> <p>Finally, Judging by the number of the proposed terraces, gardens and patios, as well as the number of independent entrances, the proposal looks more like two habitable units instead of a single family dwelling it claims to be creating.</p>
