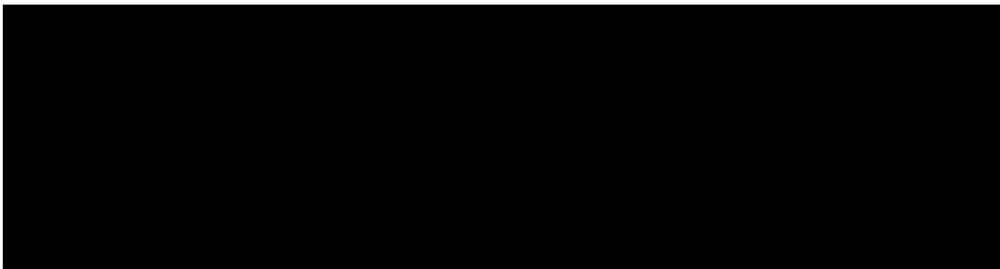


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Thanks

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∞ I wish to object in the strongest possible way to the above LB application.

Firstly I must say I am amazed to see the phrase below one the application on the LBC website. If any applicant can deliberately flout LB regulations and harm the listed building, then what is it not possible to oppose that damage?

"Please note that if the Comments Until date shown is prior to the Application Registered that is because there is no requirement to consult on the application."

I was the person who saw the assistant caretaker painting the stone skirting below the exterior railings last summer and reported it to LBC. The assistant caretaker said he was doing the work on the head's instructions and this head has since left. the person named in the application is Ms Chalfen who was not in post the summer term of 2020.

In the application Ms Chalfen seems wholly unaware that the wall is stone and was traditionally left on the LB in its original off-white state. Her statement that,

"We have painted the base wall below the railings along the front of the school building black. They were previously white. This was done because the white was filthy and looked unsightly - with dirt and rust marks showing easily. The neighbour's base wall is also black, so this was in keeping with their wall, which continues from ours. The area in question is 0.43m high by 37m long "

is fairly ridiculous and if the stone works was 'filthy and looked unsightly' that was surely due to lack of good maintenance and could be remedied by cleaning. In addition the neighbour's property is not a LB and therefore a different set of considerations apply here.

She also says that the enforcement officer suggested they put in

"a retrospective application for the colour change in order for the Council to assess whether it would be considered an improvement "

but there is no way a natural stone skirting on a listed building can be 'improved' by painting it black. It is, in short, a travesty of any consideration of the nature of this listed building.

Therefore I urge the planning dept to remedy this damage to the listed building which is in the care of the Council by stripping off the black paint, cleaning the stone skirting and returning it to its previous state.

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