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Dear Sir/Madam

### **DECISION**

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

# **Full Planning Permission Refused**

Address:

36 Lancaster Grove London NW3 4PB

### Proposal:

Conversion of former fire station tower (Sui Generis) to a 1 bedroom residential unit (Class C3) on 2nd to 5th floors plus creation of roof terrace including installation of balustrade and removal of chimneys

Drawing Nos: 209-001; 209-010; 209-011; 209-012; 209-013; 209-014; 209-015; Planning, design and access statement (dated Feb 2021); Belsize Park Firestation - Justification of Application; Heritage Assessment prepared by DLG Architects; Bat activity Survey prepared by Amphibian, Reptile & Mammal Conservation Limited (dated 2018)

The Council has considered your application and decided to **refuse** planning permission for the following reason(s):

### Reason(s) for Refusal

- The proposed conversion of the tower to a residential unit would result in 'less than substantial' harm to the listed building as a designated heritage asset which is not outweighed by any planning benefits, contrary to policy D2 (Heritage) of the Camden Local Plan 2017.
- The proposed development, in the absence of a legal agreement to secure car-free housing, would be likely to contribute unacceptably to parking stress and congestion

in the surrounding area and fail to promote more healthy or sustainable transport choices, contrary to policy T2 (Parking and car-free development) of the Camden Local Plan 2017.

The proposed development, in the absence of a legal agreement to secure a contribution to affordable housing, would fail to maximise the contribution of the site to the supply of affordable housing in the borough, contrary to policy H4 (Maximising the supply of affordable housing) of the Camden Local Plan 2017.

# Informative(s):

- 1 Without prejudice to any future application or appeal, the applicant is advised that reasons for refusal numbered 2 and 3 could be overcome by entering into a Section 106 Legal Agreement for a scheme that was in all other respects acceptable.
- If you intend to submit an appeal that you would like examined by inquiry, then you must notify the Local Planning Authority and Planning Inspectorate (inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. Further details are on GOV.UK.

In dealing with the application, the Council has sought to work with the applicant in a positive and proactive way in accordance with paragraph 38 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2019.

You can find advice about your rights of appeal at: <a href="http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/guidance/guidancecontent">http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/guidance/guidancecontent</a>

Yours faithfully

Daniel Pope

Chief Planning Officer