
From: Kate Henry
Sent: 05 October 2021 13:02
To: Planning Planning
Subject: FW: Howitt Close extension

Hi – please log this as an objection to 2021/3839/P

Thanks

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Dear Kate Henry,

I'm a resident In Howitt Close NW3 4LX and understand the freeholder/landlord has submitted a request to the council to build a third floor on the top of the existing building.

To do this would not be in keeping with the surroundings and be an eyesore, Howitt Road is one of the narrowest roads in this area, a third floor added to Howitt Close would look cramped, too densely packed and completely out of place here. I understand studying the plans submitted that the freeholder claims a mansard would be more in keeping with the area than the existing flat roof, that is simply not the case it would result in the building looking distorted, ugly and too large in the context of other buildings in this conservation area.

Obviously any work would also create great inconvenience firstly to the residents of Howitt Close who've not been consulted or informed about any of this at any stage by the freeholder to date, and also the residents of nearby properties all of whom will be subjected to a marked reduction in living standards with the noise, pollution, inconvenience, disruption to parking, pavements and traffic for the entire duration of the building works if this were to go ahead. I understand a similar application to extend the building was rejected in 1961, and it seems to me that the probable reasons for it being rejected then are magnified

significantly in 2021. I realize there is a need for more affordable housing, but since six of the planned flats would be two bedroomed (one one bedroomed) in today's market these would hardly qualify. I hope the council will consider carefully the very real and reasonable objections to this proposal, I know other people will also be raising their concerns, and think again before allowing them to go ahead as they will negatively affect far more people than they benefit.

Regards,
Craig Ewens