


Subject: Objections to Planning Application No. 2021/3839/P



Dear Ms Henry,

I am writing to you re the Planning Application No. 2021/3839/P.

Apart from the all the objections that have been made by residents in our block and the many neighbours who have been in touch (re such as parking/traffic issues if congestion or safety is at risk. And noise/light obstruction/pollution and conservation destruction re plant & wildlife - visual impact re styling and design and safety within the building - plus many other such issues) – to which I add my name. The fact that we are in a Conservation Area should be first and foremost. I add that I have not been privy to the plans in detail. Have they addressed accurately any access to a new floor, affecting the current top floor the most.

And, where will they install a lift without going outside of the current building area?

The freeholders will have to prove that the strength & integrity of the building can take a new top floor, plus all the building regulations and safety elements that are legally required are met. A steel cage/frame will be needed at the base of a new floor, then the walls will probably have to be made of pre-structured wood and insulation, **with a fire proof cladding** or render added to the outside. An outline on a small map does not indicate exactly what the freeholders are proposing to do.

It is not as straightforward as the block in Primrose Hill Road. That building is not as old as Howitt Close.

I just know it will be a disaster. But, I would like to know – if you are inclined to give it the go-ahead and **when** problems are experienced, who will take complete responsibility for damaged flats and injured residents?

Thanking you and regards,

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