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HOUSEHOLDER AND LISTED BUILDING CONSENT APPLICATION

(Grade II listed property)

Proposed work:

- Construction of timber slatted screen fencing above existing London brick boundary wall on section of north and east boundary in back garden.

Please see drawing with submission for details on proposal: *Drawing no.037 - Boundary Wall Elevation - 16 Gloucester Crescent 1.500 at A4.pdf*

Proposed slatted timber screening along a section of the north boundary to match height of existing metal fence above the existing London brick wall. Proposed slatted screening on east boundary to be an addition to the existing London brick boundary to match in with the north boundary. Please see *Drawing no.037 - Boundary Wall Elevation - 16 Gloucester Crescent 1.500 at A4.pdf* for measurements.

The screening is to provide structure for climbing plants to grow up and privacy from the neighbouring school on the north boundary and the nursery on the east boundary, using a simple and elegant boundary treatment. The existing line of pleached trees on the north boundary provides privacy from the school, but the line of trees finishes before the end of the garden. Currently a two storey playhouse screens the boundary here, we propose to remove this in the garden design. The proposed timber slatted screen is to provide a continuation of screening beyond the pleached trees.

The timber slatted screening has been chosen to compliment the London brick wall and elegant aesthetic of the property. The horizontal slats will provide structure for climbing plants to grow up and across them, and allow wind and light through the gaps between the timber slats.

- The proposed slatted screening is to accompany proposed re-landscaping to the back garden. Proposed works to include new planting borders, new garden path in Tumbled Dijon Limestone, to match character and elegance of the house, and new Kebony deck at rear of the garden. Kebony deck chosen as a sustainable, long-life material which compliments the London brick of the rear facade and boundary walls. The kebono deck to sit on a timber frame which floats over the existing ground.

Please see drawings within Concept Design Pack for details of proposal: *Garden Concept Proposal Pack - 16 Gloucester Crescent UPDATE Nov.pdf*

The proposed re-landscaping is intended to enhance the overall enjoyment use and elegant aesthetic of the family home. The proposed materials have been sensitively chosen to compliment the character, tone and elegance of the house with longevity in mind. Currently the garden has a poor quality lawn which turns to bare earth towards the back of the garden.

Access:

There will be no change to access to the site

Heritage Statement on following page...

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Listing: <https://britishlistedbuildings.co.uk/101342076-3-to-22-gloucester-crescent-camden-town-with-primrose-hill-ward>

Curved terrace of 20 houses. c1840-45. By Henry Bassett.

Yellow stock brick with stucco dressings. Slated hipped roofs with enriched slab chimney-stacks and most with projecting eaves having shaped brackets.

STYLE: Italianate style, different designs forming linked groups.

Nos 16-19: form a symmetrical group similar to Nos 8-11.

Nos 8-11: form a symmetrical group with projecting flanking towers having 3rd floor loggias with paired shaped brackets to eaves. Doorways of Nos 8 & 11, in recessed bays, in round-arched cases.

Heritage Impact Statement:

16 Gloucester Crescent, as seen from the listing description quoted above, has great significance as part of a crescent of houses. The proposed landscaping works to the rear garden will have no physical impact to the building or front facade. The intention is for the proposed works to enhance the garden; to make it a more enjoyable, user friendly and a beautiful space. Currently after the existing paved terrace the garden steps up to a poor quality lawn which turns to bare earth at the back of the garden. The design will create an elegant garden from what is currently unsightly bare earth and poor lawn. In doing this the garden will enhance the family house with a complimentary elegant garden. The garden will also be an enhancement for local ecology and wildlife.

We will bring more wildlife into the area with more plants and small trees. There is currently limited planting throughout, particularly from the lawn onwards, apart from a few plants and eight pleached hornbeam trees. The design will bring in new layers of planting for wildlife to enjoy and inhabit.