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To: Planning
Subject: 27 Hampstead High Street planning application

Hello

There was a yellow "Does this application affect you?" sign posted on a lamppost on Gayton Road NW3 this week. It said that comments closed on 4/3/22. I looked on your website today and I cannot see the application.

I live at 6 Gayton Road and my comments are below. Please include them in considerations of this application.

As owners of a property near the proposed air conditioning installation we are concerned at the possibility of unacceptable noise, especially at weekends. Back gardens in this area are one of the few places where Hampstead residents can escape from noise. A noisy air conditioning system would seriously affect our amenity and enjoyment of our property.

We appreciate that Conabeare Acoustics has done an assessment of noise levels at this property assuming acoustic housing (with louvres) covering the air conditioning system.

If the air conditioning system with the proposed mitigating sound measure (acoustic louvres) really is lower than the existing measured background level then it is possible will provide *LOAEL – Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level*.

We note that this is not the same as *NOEL – No Observed effect Level*. There will be some change in the noise level.

The Conabeare Acoustic report is an estimate at best. We cannot be sure that if a system is installed that the Distance Corrections and attenuations will be exactly as the report states.

We are also aware that developers sometimes promise things in planning applications that they don't follow when the building work is finished. If the air conditioning system is installed without the acoustic housing then neighbours will experience invasive air conditioning noise.

So we would encourage Camden Council to consider this application very carefully in terms of its effect on the amenity of neighbours. Even if it is granted we hope that regular checks are made by building inspectors to make sure the system is installed with acoustic housing installed as the proposal suggests. We also need to ensure that the hours of operation will not extend beyond 1900 as set out in the application.

We also reserve the right to conduct our own acoustic assessment if the system is approved and installed.

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