

Subject:

Formal objection to 2022/0596/P

Formal objection to replacing eight sides hung timber-framed windows 54-55 Birkenhead Street London WC1H 8BB 2022/0596/P & 2022/2276/L

54-55 Birkenhead Street forms part of a group of five Grade II listed buildings within the Bloomsbury Conservation Area.

Both the Bloomsbury Conservation Area Advisory Committee and Friends of Argyle Square urge the Council to refuse this application.

Replacing the existing timber windows with UPVC will cause harm to both the Listed buildings themselves and the wider Conservation Area. If these windows need replacing, they should be replaced with new timber sash windows of appropriate fenestration, and we can advise on this if requested. This is an opportunity to enhance, rather than detract, and we urge the Council to reject this application now and advise the applicants of the responsibilities of owning Listed buildings in a Conservation Area.

Best wishes,

On behalf of the Bloomsbury CAAC and Friends of Argyle Square



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