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I currently own and reside at 4 Heath Villas. I am objecting to the proposed erection of a ground floor extension on the following grounds:

The Proposed drawings show a full-height glass door or window facing onto the rest of the roof of the new lower ground floor extension. This would enable easy access to the greater part of the roof of the lower ground floor extension, which stretches the full width of the property. The drawings show a window in the roof of the lower ground floor extension but it is unclear from the documents whether or not the window glass will be load-bearing. If the glass can be walked on, then the greater part of the roof of the lower ground floor can be used as a balcony.

Although no railing round the roof of the lower ground floor extension is shown in the Proposed drawings, I am concerned that such a railing will be erected to facilitate use as a balcony. The railing shown in the 2021 Planning Application Existing Drawings was only installed just before that Application was submitted to Camden Planning.

The application documents state that 'Other houses in this vicinity has received permission for similar type of ground floor extension.'

In the terrace 1 to 6 Heath Villas, the other two full-width lower ground floor extensions have glass roofs with no doors or windows giving access on to these roofs so they cannot be used as balconies.

A ground floor balcony extending to the party fence wall between 5 Heath Villas and my property would seriously diminish privacy in my garden at lower ground floor level. It would also reduce my privacy at ground floor level in my sitting-room, as the height of the new lower ground floor extension at No 5 is already above the lower edge of the glass in the rear window of my sitting-room, before any roofing material has been applied.

Such a large balcony could be used for parties where noise would be an issue.

Should permission for the proposed extension be granted then I would respectfully request that included in the permission is a written condition stating that the roof of the lower ground floor extension adjacent to the extension is not to be used as a balcony.
