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2022/2687/P	Daniel Zylbersztajn-Lewandowski	01/08/2022 21:06:26	SUPC	<p>Kings Cross suffers already from too many temporary residents. There are several hotels, student accommodation units, hostels, and single-person units in the area. This has already drained the area of communal spirit and makes it more vacuous. The risk is that this could increase anti-social behaviour in the area.</p> <p>The size of the units in this building appears to be minimal and small. It is unlikely that this will facilitate long-term occupation. The purpose is likely the creation of small short-term rental units either for holidaymakers such as (AirBnB or Bookings.com, of which we already have enough in the area) or other short-term occupants. There have already been problems due to some of these temporary accommodation units.</p> <p>Kings Cross had historical problems with prostitution, which have largely been won over. Small-sized units like that, however always risk attracting the wrong kind of residents.</p> <p>Questions should be asked about the preservation of the last standing 19th-century buildings of Kings Cross, the original former rail quarters. When adding a 4th-floor extension, if permitted, there must be great care applied so that the historic character will not be further diminished and destroyed and that materials used are in line with the historic nature of the area.</p> <p>I would support this only if the landlord 1. can assure that their intention is for long-term occupation by people who will stay residents for a long time and who will be good residents 2. can guarantee that the historic quarter is maintained in its appearance by paying attention to the materials and design used.</p> <p>Questions also should be asked, how, when there are so many units the landlord thinks waste can be stored and disposed of and it not end up on the street? There have been reported issues regarding this, and it is no good to have an additional unit where the waste of six small flats has nowhere to go but ends up on the street.</p>

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