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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Full Planning Permission Refused

Address:

Howitt Close Howitt Road London NW3 4LX

Proposal:

Erection of mansard roof extension to create 7 self-contained flats (Class C3) Drawing Nos: P-Si-B-012 Rev C; HRB/2; E-NE/NW-D005; E-SE/SW-D006; P-03-D-013 Rev C; P-R-D-014 Rev A; E-NE/NW-D-015 Rev B; E-SE/SW-D-016; X-AA-D-017; Cover letter / statement (dated 27/07/2021); Design & Access Statement (dated 05/08/2021); Heritage Statement (dated July 2021); Energy and Sustainability Statement (dated June 2021); Response to heritage objection (dated 26 January 2022); Heritage Technical Note (dated January 2022)

The Council has considered your application and decided to **refuse** planning permission for the following reason(s):

Reason(s) for Refusal

The proposed roof extension, by reason of its detailed design, bulk, massing, height, materials and undue prominence, would compromise the form, character and appearance of the host building and would thus harm the character and appearance of the streetscene and Belsize Conservation Area, contrary to policies D1 (Design) and D2 (Heritage) of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.

- In the absence of detailed drawings of the proposed solar PV panels, it has not been adequately demonstrated that the proposed development would minimise the effects of climate change or meet the highest feasible environmental standards, contrary to policy CC1 (Climate change mitigation) of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.
- The proposed development, in the absence of a legal agreement to secure a contribution to affordable housing, would fail to maximise the contribution of the site to the supply of affordable housing in the borough, contrary to policies H4 (Maximising the supply of affordable housing) and DM1 (Delivery and monitoring) of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.
- The proposed development, in the absence of a legal agreement securing a Construction Management Plan, implementation support fee and Construction Impact Bond, would be likely to give rise to conflicts with other road users and be detrimental to the amenity of the area generally, contrary to policies A1 (Managing the impact of development), T4 (Sustainable movement of goods and materials) and DM1 (Delivery and monitoring) of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.
- The proposed development, in the absence of a legal agreement to secure the new dwellings as "car-free", would be likely to contribute unacceptably to parking stress and congestion in the surrounding area, contrary to policies T2 (Parking and car-free development) and DM1 (Delivery and monitoring) of the London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017.

Informative(s):

- 1 The applicant is advised that, whilst the Energy and Sustainability Statement refers to the use of solar PV panels, these are not illustrated on the plans and have not therefore been assessed in heritage and design terms.
- Without prejudice to any future application or appeal, the applicant is advised that reasons for refusal numbered 3, 4 & 5 could be overcome by entering into a Section 106 Legal Agreement for a scheme that was in all other respects acceptable.

In dealing with the application, the Council has sought to work with the applicant in a positive and proactive way in accordance with paragraph 38 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021.

You can find advice about your rights of appeal at: http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/guidance/guidancecontent

Yours faithfully

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Daniel Pope Chief Planning Officer