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To: Ewan Campbell; Planning

Cc: Elizabeth Beaumont

Subject: Planning application 2022/1966/P (Retrospective): Entrance door to upper flats

Dear Ewan

The NNA wishes to object to this application. I appreciate that the consultation period for comments ended today but I hope our submission can still be considered.

It is not easy to discern from the application but we understand that the door to the upper flats is now in a different position from 2020 when planning permission was given for its location at right angles to the main door under the storm porch. At that time it was described as a 'hidden' door, having 'no discernable' visual impact on the street scene and therefore 'respond[ing] sensitively' to the appearance of the property.

It has now been relocated to be alongside the main door facing the road. The covering letter to the new application claims that it has a 'negligible' visual impact and is 'out of sight' from the street scene. We cannot agree. It can be seen from both the pavement and the road and therefore impacts on the character and design of the conservation area.

To a large extent the sight lines are concealed by the hedge on No. 29's side of the boundary with 27. It appears to have been left tall and unwieldy for that purpose, in stark contrast to 27's side of the hedge which is trimmed and much lower. The view becomes more obvious in the dark when the house and front garden are lit up and the glass panes in both doors take on a green hue (see the photograph below).

As well as changing the front elevation of the house, the relocated door offers no enhancement to the heritage asset of either the house or its neighbours. This is contrary to Policy D2 (Heritage) of the Camden Local Plan 2017. Approval of the application would provide an unfortunate precedent for others wishing to make insensitive and undesirable changes to our conservation area.

Kind regards

Jenny White

NNA Chair

