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Subject: Application number 2022/2691/P
Attachments: Appendix to representations from 179 Leighton Road.docx

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Dear Ms Quigley,

We write to express our concern and register our objection to parts of the plan proposed for number 177.

We understand that whilst the online comments have closed (we were away when the notice was posted) you will still consider comments and concerns up to the point you decide.

Our objections are, in particular, to the roof terrace and - in part - to the height of the proposed extension. The position in general terms is as follows:

Roof terrace

The proposed roof terrace will be some 2 metres away from the window of our family bathroom providing a direct line of sight into our toilet. It will also afford a direct line of sight into our living at the 1st floor of our property which will be less than a meter away.

Any suggestion of installing planters or shielding will exacerbate the problem because the noise pollution will remain but crucially, we will be deprived of light into our property. The planters will effectively leave the back of our house and a large section of our garden in shade.

A reduction in the height of the proposed roof terrace will not address the problem which is best illustrated when you consider the attached images (see appendix 1).

If there is any doubt as to the extent of intrusion, we would suggest a visit to the property is vital before you make a determination.

Extension

We are not opposed to the application for an extension per se (we are also seeking planning permission to extend 1 metre from the property line), but the height and scale of the project proposed in the plans from 177 (beyond our hoped-for property line) is excessive.

The proposed extension will place a wall of almost 4 metres (3660) beside our garden some 80 cm to 1 metre beyond the extension we are currently seeking. This will reduce the light to our property and represent a very intrusive presence.

We take the view that the height of the extension should be reduced to allow for light to reach our property. We are keen to ensure a compromise is reached if possible but recognise we are engaged in a formal planning process so have sought to express our concerns as clearly as possible.

We hope to be informed of the progress of the application. We are not clear of how much more information we can supply that may assist you in your determination. If there is anything we can assist with further, please let us know.

Best regards,

Hossein Zahir and Raniah Al Sayed