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2022/4237/P

Site Address

19 Provost Road London NW3 4ST

**Development Description** 

Installation of 15 Photovoltaic (PV) panels on the main roof.

Planning officer

Elaine Quigley

Advisory committee

Eton

Advisory committee

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No objection

Do you have any comments or consider that the proposal is harmful to or does not preserve the character and appearance of the conservation area?

Eton Conservation Area Advisory Committee Advice from Eton Conservation Area Advisory Committee: 16.12.2022 Re 19 Provost Road, 2022/4237/P Installation of 15 Photovoltaic (PV) panels on the main roof. In considering this application we have referred to Camden's document "Energy efficiency planning guidance for conservation areas" This document provides a link to the current regulations which state that planning permission and listed building consent are required for solar panels mounted on a listed building. Pages 18 to 20 of the planning guidance state that "When solar panels do need planning permission, the Council will require them to be located, as far as practicable, where they will not be highly visible, and to be flush with the plane of the roof, so as to preserve the character of prominent views of roofscapes"; and that "Different roof types offer different opportunities for the erection of solar pv or solar thermal panels and these differ in the extent to which they are visible from the public realm". In this case the applicant has made every effort to conceal the roof- top solar panel installation from view from the street in accordance with the guidelines. We have no objection therefore. However, there is a concern at the implication of the summary statement on page 20 that "In line with Government policy, the potential public benefit of energy efficiency works

needs to be balanced with preserving heritage significance – they are both important - and this is considered as part of the planning process on a case by case basis". A problem arises when applications are considered in isolation on a case-by-case basis. It leads to an inconsistency in decision-making leading to a cumulatively harmful effect on the conservation area. Two examples of this in the Eton conservation Area are the erosion of garden space due to the construction of rear extensions and garden rooms/offices frequently in the same gardens, and the compromising of the roofscape of the houses in Provost Road in particular by the construction of larger and larger dormer windows. This is the first application to install solar panels in the Eton Conservation Area. Many more will follow. We ask that Camden is vigilant when considering future applications so that a consistent approach is adopted to minimise any harm to the appearance of listed buildings and the conservation area a whole. Yours sincerely, Eton CAAC

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