



HAMPSTEAD NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

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Jaspreet Chana
Planning Solutions Team
Camden Council

Re: 2019/5774/P, 1 Gayton Crescent

Dear Mr Chana,

This proposal is nearly identical to a previous application, 2018/3232/P, which was refused by Camden because its “location, bulk, design and relationship to the facades, would be detrimental to the character and appearance of the host property and the Hampstead Conservation Area, contrary to policies D1 (Design) and D2 (Heritage) of London Borough of Camden Local Plan 2017; and policies DH1 (Design) and DH2 (Conservation areas and listed buildings) of the Hampstead Neighbourhood Plan.”

The current proposal as far as we can see differs only in the width of the proposed canopy. In the appeal decision, the inspector made it clear that the design was unacceptable not simply because it could be seen from the street but also because it would be visible “from the windows, balconies and gardens of a number of the neighbouring properties”. The inspector also stated: “Whilst I acknowledge the intention for this structure to appear lightweight and to still allow views of the building through the glass roof, it would nevertheless be a substantial, shallow pitched addition of modern design, contrasting with the original form and style of the building.”

We believe that the current proposal would also be damaging to the conservation area and the neighbours’ amenity and contrary to the policies above.

We recommend that Camden refuse this application.

Sincerely,

Janine Griffis
Chair, Hampstead Neighbourhood Forum