

19 February 2020

Rachel English
Planning Solutions Team
Camden Council

Re: 2019/5835/P, 4b Hampstead Hill Gardens

Dear Ms English,

The Hampstead Neighbourhood Forum objects to the proposed massing of this project and the impact that it would have on the streetscape and the amenity of 4a Hampstead Hill Gardens.

The addition of a third floor would dominate the rear courtyard of no. 4a and cause a loss of outlook and potentially light, contrary to Camden planning guidance on amenity and DH1 of the Hampstead Neighbourhood Plan ("Protecting the amenity and privacy of neighbouring properties"). The increased height of the proposal would dominate no. 4a from the street view as well.

Whereas 4a and 4b currently sit unobtrusively among their listed neighbours, this proposal through its increased height and massing, would be assertive and architecturally jarring, particularly in contrast to no. 4a. The proposal, therefore, would be contrary to DH1, which states that designs should respond "positively and sympathetically to the existing rhythm, proportion, height, scale, massing, materials and storey heights of surround buildings." Many thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Janine Griffis
Chair, Hampstead Neighbourhood Forum