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London Borough of Camden
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Re: 2019/3108/P 9 Thurlow Rd.

Dear Josh,

The Hampstead Neighbourhood Forum objects to the proposed addition of a front and side dormer to 9 Thurlow Road as contrary to DH1 of the Hampstead Neighbourhood Plan and the Netherhall Fitzjohn's Conservation Area Statement.

The large property, noted as making a positive contribution to the conservation area, is semi-detached and shares a party wall with no. 10. Contrary to some other houses on the street, no. 10 has no front or rear dormer and the two properties form a coherent pair, presenting a symmetrical façade and roof line to the street. Inserting dormers to no. 9 would unbalance this symmetry and would be contrary to DH1, which states that development proposals should respect and enhance the character and local context of the area.

The conservation statement cites dormers as an issue in the area: "A feature of architecture in the mid to late Victorian period is the visibility of the roof. Insensitive alterations can harm the character of the roofscape with poor materials, intrusive dormers, and inappropriate windows and in many cases there is no further possibility of alterations."

We urge Camden to refuse this application.

Sincerely,

Janine Griffis
Chair, Hampstead Neighbourhood Forum