

The following excerpt has been taken from the CA21 Cambridge Park Conservation area appraisal:

*Cambridge Park was developed in the last quarter of the 19th century in the former grounds of Cambridge House. The geometry of the area is set by the route of a path (now St. Stephen's Passage) following a short cut route to Richmond Bridge. The buildings are predominantly gault brick with Italianate detailing featuring strong stucco bays, tripartite windows, eaves brackets and moulded architraves. Slate roofs have chevron bands. Gardens are large and boundary hedges of privet, yew and holly with an assortment of large specimen conifer and deciduous trees have to some measure retained the park-like character.*

The third floor flat of the four storey high building has seen a considerable amount of internal alterations that happened during the 60's when the previous owner subdivided the rooms with substantial joinery pieces and utilised the loft area into the habitable space adding rooflights to two side and rear slopes. The existing balcony has been built more in the 60's style with timber posts and polycarbonate sheets in between with natural colour timber sliding doors to the balcony.

The proposal reintroduces original room layouts and allows for more orderly positioned conservation style rooflights within the existing roof slopes.

The new balcony design replacing the existing one now has a zinc roof and black metal railing, both materials more sympathetic to the existing context and style of the house and surrounding area.

There are no other significant changes to the external fabric of the building.



Figure 1: Each room had internal joinery built to divide further the space and conceal the original fireplace behind the fitted wardrobes