

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 24/3242/HOT

Address: 17 Beverley Gardens Barnes London SW13 0LZ

Proposal: Ground floor and first floor extension to the rear, a first floor terrace with obscured glass balustrade, changes to the cladding and cappings and additional windows and doors.

Comments Made By

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

Comment: I am writing concerning the planned alterations to 17 Beverley Gardens. I live at 7 Beverley Gardens and so am directly affected by aspects of these proposals, especially the plans to enlarge and change the windows directly facing my house. There is a reason why the existing windows are the shape and size they are; in previously planning applications loss of privacy for neighbours opposite. They are also louvred, which ensured there can be no direct vision into the windows of number 7 and into the first floor bedroom windows of other houses opposite. This will affect several of the opposite houses. Likewise the proposed very large window on the ground floor will impinge on the privacy of the downstairs room of the houses opposite. This is not a wide street and the insertion of a large window, which I see will also project out from the wall, far from, as is altruistically described enhance the look of the road, will on the contrary look very obtrusive. I do feel very strongly that these proposals will cause lack of privacy for me and my neighbours.

At the moment I can see the attractive birch tree in the courtyard of number 17 and also the trees beyond (which are not fruit trees but pleached London Planes). It is suggested that these trees will be removed. Apart from affecting my pleasant outlook, from an environmental point of view, they should be allowed to remain (the previous owner had them regularly pollarded) or replaced with other suitable trees elsewhere in the courtyard. We are all being encouraged to plant more trees and Barnes and Richmond have a good record in conservation matters. Instead of the tops of these trees I will be able to see the top of the proposed glass extension. This will enlarge a building which already has a large footprint.

These are the issues which are affecting me and, I am sure quite a few other neighbours. I would therefore like to lodge my objection to the above planning application.