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The Executive Director,\
Planning and Conservation,
The Royal Borough of
Kensington and Chelsea

PLANNING APPLICATION: 17A PRINCES PLACE W11 (ref DPS/DCN/PP/99/00742/SW)

Dear Sir,

In your letter of April 20 ref DPS/DCN/PP/99/00742/SW you invited comment on the variation now sought in the conditional planning permission given in 1997 in respect of the above mentioned property, especially as regards condition 8.

We wish strongly to reiterate our objection to the applicant's proposals for clear glazing in all the gables. Our reasons are the following:

- (1) As you noted in your letter to me of December 31, 1998, the drawings approved in 1997 were ambiguous as to the material to be used in the triangular spaces between the beams of the gable framework. What is apparent, in particular from a colour photograph of the three-dimensional model of the proposed building supplied to us during the discussion of the Party Wall Agreement, is that glazing of any sort is far from an integral feature of the design. If it had been, there would have surely have been no ambiguity in the earlier drawings. The amount of light available in the existing design, with its profusion of windows, is surely adequate.
- (2) What is now proposed is not only clear glazing in the triangular spaces, but also the addition of a series of oblong clear glass apertures BELOW the gables. This additon, for which it is difficult to see any architectural or aesthetic justification, completely undermines the previous contention that glazing in the gable somehow does not constitute a window. No other definition can realistically be applied to the apertures in question.
- (3) It was suggested that glazing in the gable framework would be above head height and so not allow of overlooking of our house or the houses of our neighbours. This argument does not hold water. What is there to prevent the occupant from raising the floor level temporarily or permanently? With the addition of the apertures referred to in (2) above, moreover, a foothold would have been established for seeking approval for a full-size window.



The issue needs to be looked at in perspective. A previous application for redevelopment, involving a large increase in ground area and bulk of the building proposed, as compared with the existing structure, was made in March, 1995. After some debate the Committee approved the application, but made a number of stipulations, the most important of which related to the height of the building and the distance it was set back from the road. The present application however does not respect these stipulations in that it significantly increases the height and reduces the distance set back from the road, thus all but blocking out the view down our garden. In a report dated January 30, 1997, the Department made a number of cogent criticisms of this design, covering increased height overshadowing neighbouring buildings; the need to conform to existing building lines; and unacceptable impact in terms of increased sense of enclosure to the gardens of Queensdale Road. No modification to the design was made except for a token reduction in the height of the building. Nonetheless the Department changed its stance and recommended approval. The variations now proposed by the applicant constitute a further violation of the position of the neighbours which the Department rightly criticised in the report referred to above. The time has surely come to impose on us no further.

Yours faithfully

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For the attention of Roy Thompson

Dear Sirs

Re: 17a PRINCES PLACE, LONDON W11

Our ref: DH/CS/4120 ENF -6 JUL 1996 FWD PLN REC

Thank you for your letter of 28th June 1999 and I am pleased to note that you do not consider the glazing of the gables to create a privacy problem.

With regard to the concerns expressed about the extent of light emissions from the scheme's overall glazing, as an Authority you have already given planning permission for the glazing and Pilkington Glass confirm that the amount of light induced emitted through clear or obscure glass is the same. Thus there is no reason for this glass to be obscure. Obscure glass will be placed in windows which require a degree of privacy (drawings already provided to you) for both occupants and neighbours. Curtains and blinds will be fitted to the majority of windows including the gable glazing, which will have triangular roller blinds.

In respect of the trellis, I note your comments and enclose two sets of drawings numbered E6b (1.7.99), D12 (1.7.99) and D13 (1.7.99) which I hope will allay the fears of the neighbours. The Architect has researched the size of the grid and is advised that at 3m it will have the same effect as an opaque screen, even without planting.

I should appreciate it if you would confirm the scale drawing of 1:1 does negate the need for a sample to be deposited.

With regard to the clear glazing of the window in room G5, on the basis that we provide a sufficiently dense screen at the height already shown on the drawings, there will no longer be a need to worry about glazing to room G5. Or a good many of the other rooms.

Yours sincerely

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**Department of Planning Services** 

To: M.J. French

Director of Planning Services

Ref.: DPS/TP/

Dear Sir,

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\* If you wish to object to the proposals, or make any general comments, please give them, in full, in the space above.

Any additional comments may be set down on the back of this form.

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