

Sarah Scammell
Interim Chief Planning Officer
By email

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May 7 2019

Dear Sarah,

Brentford Waterside, High Street Brentford TW8 0AB
Plot G ref: P/2019/0526
And P/20191203/NMA3

I wrote to you and the case officer on March 28 2019 to ask certain questions about the detail design for block G which have been causing local concern. As no answer has been received these comments have had to be prepared without your assistance so they can reach you as soon as possible.

Although we understand that your officers agree that work is proceeding without a planning consent it would appear that the Council intends to take no enforcement action.

In this situation it would appear to make no difference whether the Council gives consent to the current application or not at this time.

We would therefore suggest that the present application is refused to allow the applicant to amend the design of the upper part of the garage structure and the flats which are not in the first phase of the contractor's work.

We would propose that the amended design:

1.Reduces the lift tower on the north east corner by one floor leaving car owners using the open roof lift access on the south west corner and stair access at both points.

This would allow the NE access structure to be less visible above the roof level.

2. Reduce the height of the cladding so that it was limited to 1,2meters above the roof level.

This would reduce the apparent height of the block close to the level set out for block G in the outline consent.

3. Supply comprehensive drawings to show the design and access to the residential units.

This would enable members of the planning committee to ensure that these single aspect flats provide satisfactory accommodation and have suitable access, and provision for escape, amenity space sunlight and privacy.

4. Reduce the height of the pitched roofs to the top floor flats so that they were not higher than 1.2 meters above the garage roof level.

Please will you confirm that these comments are included in your officer's report to the Planning Committee.

Yours sincerely

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