

HGY/2023/1737: Esterel, Compton Avenue, Hornsey, London, N6 4LH

Proposal Replacement of security cabin and barrier

Highgate Conservation Area Advisory Committee thanks the Case Officer for her email regarding our request for visual information setting the context of the proposed security cabin in relation to the East Lodge of Kenwood House. Kenwood House itself is listed Grade I. The following, which are in the immediate context of the proposed security cabin and are all in the immediate vicinity, are listed as follows:

EAST LODGE TO KENWOOD HOUSE AND ATTACHED GATEWAYS, HAMPSTEAD LANE, Listed Grade II

Lodge to Kenwood House, Kenwood (qv), flanked by gate piers. c1795. By George Saunders. Grey brick, with slated roof and central octagonal chimney. Sashed windows under gauged flat arches. Projecting pedimented wing to road. C20 addition to rear in carefully matched brick and style. Flanked by brick gate piers with stone copings with wrought-iron overthrows and wooden gates of rustic design.

KENWOOD PARK AND GARDENS Listed Grade II*

Mid C18 landscape park, lakes and woodland, further developed late C18 by Humphry Repton, William Marshall, William Emes and others. Now a public park.

We trust that Historic England, the London Borough of Camden and The Heath and Hampstead Society have been informed of this application.

*"Planning and Listed Building Consent applications requiring consultation with and notification to Historic England
..... This enclosure sets out the circumstances in which Historic England must be consulted or notified of applications for planning permission or listed building consent.....*

*.....Notification: Development which the local authority (or Secretary of State) think would affect:
P5 The setting of a Grade I or II* listed building; a notification from the LPA is to enable representations to be made if we so wish, and to respond within 21 days. Historic England does not make a distinction in its handling of advice work."*

For the reasons set out below Highgate Conservation Area Advisory Committee objects to this application.



The proposed security cabin would be no higher than the existing cabin but would present a considerably longer frontage when seen in the context of East Lodge. On plan it is approximately 2m x 2m however the proposed cabin, a much more substantial building, would be 4m deep and 6.2m wide, that is more than three times wider as seen in the context of East Lodge than the existing cabin.

Whilst we agree that the existing cabin detracts from the Highgate Conservation Area and the much improved accommodations would benefit the guards, the assessment of this proposal must be evaluated in the context of the listed building directly opposite. We consider the proposal would unacceptably impact the setting of East Lodge which is itself a curtilage building to Kenwood House, Grade I; and Kenwood Park and Gardens which are Grade II*.



Photo showing East Lodge on the left and the existing cabin on the right (26.7.23)