

HCAAC's comments on application HGY/2023/2734

1. These are the comments of Highgate Conservation Area Advisory Committee ("HCAAC") to application HGY/2023/2734.
2. It was our understanding, based on the material provided for application HGY/2022/2801, that the post finials would be the same as those used on the North Hill railings. This understanding seems to be confirmed by the depiction of the finials in drawing 4170DRG001 REV B.pdf.
3. However, confusingly, drawing 4170DRG001 REV B.pdf, in the materials block, refers to "POST FINIAL – PINEAPPLE TYPE FINIAL TO MATCH EXISTING". There is only one "existing" finial, that could possibly match the "pineapple" description. Having said that, it is of poor quality, it is not a pineapple and it bears no resemblance to the one proposed in the photograph in the Heritage and Design Statement for application HGY/2022/2801.
4. We are sure that the reference in the drawing is in error. However, for the avoidance of any doubt, a detailed drawing of what is proposed should be produced along with a 3D printing, as has been done for the "spares" for the rail span. Once this has been done, we will be able to consider the same and comment thereon.
5. In addition, drawing 1000004196-5-0100 (1).pdf refers to Manchester Bollards (65 in number), but no detailed drawing of the proposed bollards has been provided. Such a drawing should be provided.
6. In the meantime, we note and welcome the change of the colour of the railings to black.