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Heritage Statement

Context

The application site is located in the Stroud Green Conservation Area and was designated as such in 2003. At present no conservation area appraisal has been adopted by Haringey Council, however neighbouring Islington Council has published *Stroud Green (CA39) Conservation Area Character Appraisal* in 2007.

Site & property description

The application site is located at 4 Ossian Road and is a late 19th century mid-terrace property dwelling house, constructed predominantly in red brick with partially rendered bay window, stuccoed windows and some decorative brick features to the front. The rear elevation is entirely clad in London stock brick. The property is arranged over 3 floors with a stepped closet wing.

There are no significant alterations to the building, except original front windows have been replaced with uPVC windows and a conservatory had been added to the rear. This conservatory had major structural issues and has since been removed by the applicant's.

Surroundings and historic significance

The area is generally of late Victorian character, with shops at ground level and residential above, with small scale residential terraces, set back behind front gardens.

The application site at the rear is enclosed by neighbouring developments and facing a 3-storey purpose built residential block.

The application site is not listed and no listed or locally listed buildings are in close vicinity.

Proposal

It is proposed to construct a single storey side infill extension, with pitched roof to create an enlarged kitchen and dining area for the applicant's young family. The extension has been sensitively designed to blend in harmoniously with the host property and does not distract from its overall character. The external walls will be clad with London stock brick to match the existing brick and the roof will be tiled with slate tiles.

Above the first floor extension it is proposed to install the outdoor unit for an airsource heatpump. The unit will be set back from the flat roof edge and sit behind a parapet wall. The installation of an

airsource heatpump underlines the overall decarbonisation strategy of the Local Authority and does not distract from the character of the host property or the conservation area as a whole.

To the front of the building it is proposed to replace the existing uPVC windows with acoustic timber sash windows, with window bars to match the traditional appearance of the surrounding houses. The reinstatement of these original features will enhance the appearance of the conservation area character and blend with the largely unaltered residential terraces along Ossian Road.

Conclusion

Overall the proposal to add a single storey side infill extension is a modest intervention, compared to some of the developments adjacent or close by. The overall character of the application site is maintained and enhanced. No features with heritage significance are affected by this proposal.

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Front of application site



Rear of application site