



Appeal Decision

Site visit made on 19 August 2025

by N Robinson BA (Hons) MA MRTPI

an Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State

Decision date: 26 August 2025

Section 78 Appeal Ref: APP/A5270/W/25/3367626

Development: Small balcony to rear, French doors for access at 204A Acton Lane, Ealing, Chiswick, London W4 5DL

Application Ref is 243686FUL

Decision- the appeal is dismissed.

Reasons

Issue – effect on the character and appearance of the host building and the surrounding area

1. The site comprises a mid-terraced property subdivided into flats. The site is located within a row of similar properties. Some buildings in the surrounding area have been extended and altered to the rear elevations, though roof extensions to other properties within the row don't appear to project beyond the eaves of these buildings. There are limited street scene views of the rear of the building, however it is visible from the rear elevations of neighbouring buildings.
2. The application is for a balcony with a 1.9-metre-high privacy screen to the sides. The balcony would project beyond the eaves of the roof slope. This projection, in combination with the bulk of the privacy screens, would result in a bulky, discordant feature which would detract from the character and appearance of the host building and its surroundings.
3. I note that the proposal would result in improvements to the appellant's living conditions. However, this modest benefit does not outweigh the harm identified.
4. The proposal would harm the character and appearance of the host building and the surrounding area and thus conflicts with the policies cited in the decision notice.

Conclusion

5. The proposal conflicts with the development plan as a whole and nothing indicates a decision otherwise.

N Robinson

INSPECTOR