

## HERITAGE STATEMENT

**FOR** 

## 35 STANHOPE TERRACE, W2

This document is to accompany the retrospective listed building application for the installation of air bricks to the external façade at ground floor level of No 35 Stanhope Terrace (Westbourne Street side). 35 Stanhope Terrace is a ground floor apartment within a terraced block which forms the area enclosed by Westbourne Street to the West, Stanhope Terrace to the North, Brook Street to the East and Hyde Park Gardens (facing Bayswater Road) to the South. The apartment is on the Western most side of this terraced block with access to its entrance via Stanhope terrace. As its situated on at the end of the terraced block, apartment No 35 faces onto Stanhope Terrace, Westbourne Street and Bayswater Road.

For the purposes of this retrospective Listed Building Application, the Westbourne Street façade is the main focus of the works recently carried out and for which Listed Building Consent in sought.

35 Stanhope Terrace lies within the 'City of Westminster Conservation Area. Historically a residential area dating back to the early 1800's the heavy influence of 19<sup>th</sup> Century Stuccoed terraces remains to this day however many of the former mansion and town houses have been converted or sub-divided into smaller flats.

The new location of the air vent bricks, painted to match existing, are less imposing than the previously installed vents as they are located at a lower level.







35 Stanhope Terrace as viewed from Westbourne Street

35 Stanhope Terrace was internally extensively refurbished in 2010 and at the time two internal air handling units for cooling were installed in the bedroom and reception rooms. As it has been some time, the owners have had to replace these internal standalone units with new ones which required



for the external vents/ grill locations to be amended. The new vent grilles have been painted to match the existing stucco façade. The scope of works do not change the layout or use of the property and do not have an impact on the surrounding conservation area. Given the block was converted to apartments, there are a number of vent/ air bricks scattered on the Stanhope Terrace and Westbourne Street Facades which don't necessarily correspond in positioning to flats below or above each other and these seem to have been installed at different stages, presumably as each property may have internally been altered. The Managing Agents have been fully informed of the works.



35 Stanhope Terrace as viewed from corner of Stanhope Terrace and Westbourne Street