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The proposed building covered by DA2023/1532 should not proceed because:

1. It involves demolition of one of Palm Beaches oldest residences appearing in historical photographs in the Councils possession.
2. It adjoins one of Palm Beaches most historical buildings and is completely out of scale with that building. Approval of DA2023/1532 will almost certainly result in the demolition of the adjoining building to the south side, the old dance hall, given the lack of relevance to the street scape.
3. The proposed building covered by DA2023/1532 would appear to be designed for commercial B and B purposes. It has no architectural merit, is way out of scale with the site which itself is at the epicentre of Palm Beach that is enjoyed by thousands of visitors to Palm Beach each year.
4. Too much has been destroyed already. Approval of DA2023/1532 would further accelerate the process of destroying the visual enjoyment for overseas and domestic visitors. Sites like this globally have protection from over development and ensure at least a vestige of heritage retention. Eg. Carmel, California and areas of natural beauty throughout the UK.

We would incur some loss of view from our residence at 107 Florida Road as would neighbours in our area. This is of concern, however of little importance when compared with points 1 to 4 above.

Surely one of the Northern Beach Councils most significant responsibilities is to prevent totally inappropriate developments such as DA2023/1532 from proceeding in an area of natural beauty enjoyed by many.

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