

2023/1991/P & 2023/1997/P - Objection - Gorilla sculptures at various locations around Covent Garden/Seven Dials

Hello Miriam,

The BCAAC considered the proposed Gorilla Sculptures in some detail. The strongest objection was to the length of time (3 months) that is requested because then the negative impact, like street clutter & inappropriate setting (eg. in front or near Listed Buildings) would outweigh the benefits achieved by their contribution to nature preservation & protection in ways of awareness & charitable donations. One month was considered an acceptable time. Neals Yard is of particular concern because, though there is room for the sculpture, there is no accounting made for public gathering around it. This small historic conservation spot could be quickly obscured by clutter & overcrowding. In fact, an impact assessment of public gathering around any of the sculptures could be better considered. The BCAAC also noticed that materials to be used in the sculptures are not clearly specified. The use of plastics & such the BCAAC would consider to be unacceptable.

Kind regards,

Marianne

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on behalf of the Bloomsbury CAAC

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